

**Lanesboro City Council
Regular Meeting
Monday, October 4, 2021**

Meeting held in the Lanesboro Community Center Meeting Room and via Zoom

Present: Jason Resseman, Joe Goetzke, Mitchell Walbridge, Mindy Albrecht-Benson, and Chase Bakke

Absent: None

Visitors: Attorney Joseph O’Koren, Hannah Wingert, Geoff Griffin, Brain Malm, Jackie Ream, Deane Benson, Bonita Underbakke, Rick Lamon, Bonnie Handmacher, Karen and Andy Heimdahl, Peggy Hanson, Frank Wright, Andy Bunge, Liz Bucheit, Michael Seiler, Jeff Lepper, Paul and Lou Hammann, Chris and Patti Goetzke, Scott Taylor, Stacey Schultz, and Drew Darling.

Public Hearing for 2022 Street and Utility Improvements: Mayor Resseman opened the public meeting at 6:02 p.m. The following comments were made:

- Karen Heimdahl: Does not see the need for sidewalks along Beacon Street, although she understands the aesthetics of the project, also would like to minimize spending.
- Andy Bunge: Would like to consider removal of the access off of Parkway to the Cottage House, and instead create access off of Beacon Street. He also questioned the need for sidewalks along Beacon and Rochelle Ave N. He encouraged the Council to consider 20% assessment rates.
- Peggy Hanson: Felt that a precedent had been set with a previous road project and felt that the council should consider 20% assessments. Hanson questioned how the costs of the project are being spread out, questioning whether or not the school would be assessed. She also noted that she was in favor of sidewalks in town, as they are good for liveability and growing our community.
- Paul Hammann: He supports the project, however wondered about the ability to bury the electrical lines as a part of the project.
- Frank Wright: Wright also supports an assessment rate of 20%.

Member Walbridge motioned to close the Public Hearing at 6:16 p.m. Member Albrecht-Benson seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.

Regular Meeting:

Mayor Resseman called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:16 p.m.

- A. **Agenda:** Member Goetzke motioned to approve the agenda with the addition of Cyber Security to New Business. Member Bakke seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all members in favor. Motion carried.

B. Approval of Minutes:

- ❖ Minutes of the Regular Meeting, September 7, 2021
- ❖ Minutes of the Special Meeting, September 15, 2021

Mayor Resseman motioned to approve the minutes as submitted. Member Bakke seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.

C. Consent Agenda:

1. Accounts Payable
2. Liability Waiver Form - League of MN Cities Insurance Trust
3. Tax Abatement Agreement
4. Resolution Accepting Donation 2021-25
5. 2022 Liquor Licenses
6. Homecoming Parade - Parkway Avenue October 8, 2021
7. Resolution 2021-22 Interconnection Process
8. Resolution 2021-26 Accepting Library Donation

Member Goetzke motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Member Albrecht-Benson seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.

D. Project Reports:

a. Wastewater Treatment Facility

- i. **Pay Request #10:** City Engineer Brian Malm recommended payment in the amount of \$389,391.70. Malm noted the project is currently 31% complete. Member Goetzke motioned to approve Pay Request #10. Member Albrecht-Benson seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.

E. Department Reports:

a. Park: Member Walbridge provided the following update from the most recent Park Board meeting:

- The board reviewed a request to lease the dining room as a commercial space, the board noted a desire to keep the rentals to community activities, rather than commercial.
- Work is being completed to replace the picnic shelter in Sylvan Park that was lost in the storm of 2016.
- Stacey Schultz is working on applying for grants to purchase additional bike racks to be placed downtown to help with congestion.
- The board is considering a camping registration system for 2022, as well as the consideration for long term or seasonal camping.
- The board would like input as to the future use of the tennis courts as well as how the deterioration of the existing facilities plays into future plans.

F. New Business:

a. Resolution 2021-24 Ordering Improvement and Preparation of Plans and Specifications:

Administrator Peterson noted that the wrong resolution number had been printed on the agenda, the correct number is 2021-24. City Engineer Brian Malm noted that a project website will be created, which will allow community members to sign up for any updates as they become available. Member Goetzke motioned to approve resolution 2021-24. Member Bakke seconded the motion. Malm shared the intention of the resolution is to commit to the project and further design of the project. Future decisions to be made will include: approval of final plans and specifications, authorizing the project to be put out for bids. Once the bids are back then there will be final approval of final assessment amounts. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.

- b. **Work Order 2022 /street and Utility Improvements - Bolton & Menk:** City Engineer Brian Malm reviewed a memo shared with the Council requesting guidance on how planning should continue.
- Water Main to Little Norway: Council noted with consensus that this should be corrected during the Hwy 250 project.
 - Kirkwood Street Parking Layout: Council noted by consensus that diagonal parking was preferred.
 - Assessment Rate: Members noted that a 20% assessment rate was preferable.
 - Alley Assessments: Members agreed with the recommendation from Malm to not assess for work in the alley ways.
 - Street Scaping: Members noted a desire to minimize the aesthetic features of the project along Coffee, Beacon, and Rochelle. Options will be provided for the retaining wall to be installed on Beacon Street.
- Mayor Resseman motioned to approve the work order as submitted. Member Bakke seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.
- c. **Cyber Security:** Member Goetzke noted concern for the security of the Lanesboro City Office, citing a local city had been attacked. Administrator Peterson will review options with Fillmore County, and local IT professionals to determine the risk for the Lanesboro City Office.

G. Continued Business:

- a. **Emergency Services Building:** Mayor Resseman closed the meeting at 7:04 p.m. for the consideration of the purchase of real property pursuant to Minnesota Statute 13D.05, Subd. 3 (b)(3), Parcels 190339000 and 190338000.
- Member Goetzke motioned to reopen the meeting at 7:36 p.m. Member Bakke seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion carried.
- Member Goetzke motioned to accept the purchase agreement with the second option of paragraph 14, with addition of the occupancy agreement. Mayor Resseman seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with members Resseman, Bakke, Walbridge, and Goetzke voting in favor. Member Albrecht Benson voted no. Motion carried.
- Member Goetzke motioned to accept the bid from G3 Homes for the remodel of the building. Member Bakke seconded the motion. Vote was done by roll-call with members Albrecht-Benson and Walbridge voting no, and members Resseman, Bakke, and Goetzke voting in favor. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: Monday, November 1, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURN: Member Goetzke moved to adjourn at 7:38 p.m. Motion seconded by Mayor Resseman. Vote was done by roll-call with all in favor. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Michele Peterson
City Administrator/Clerk