

**Legal Proceedings of the City of Fox Lake  
Common Council  
February 2, 2022**

The regular meeting of the City of Fox Lake Common Council was held on Wednesday, February 2, 2022 at 6:30 p.m., in the community center. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Tom Bednarek and followed by the pledge of allegiance. Roll call was taken with alderpersons Dan Ault, Marcy Benz, John Mund, Peter Hartzheim, Dennis Linke and Darrell Pollesch present. Also attending were Police Chief Jim Rohr, City Treasurer Krystal McCauley, City Administrator Kelly Crombie and City Clerk Jenny Quirk.

With no one present in the audience there were no public comments.

The clerk certified open meeting laws have been complied with.

**Approve minutes:**

Motion by Ault, seconded by Mund to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2022 special council meeting. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Consent Agenda:**

Motion by Mund, seconded by Hartzheim to approve the consent agenda, as listed: Pay the bills, as audited, for accounts payable-check #42616 through #42711 totaling \$455,691.88 (including ACH withdrawals) and payroll checks #60686 through #60747 checks totaling \$39,867.59. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Open public hearing of CDBG on Green Street:**

Motion by Mund, seconded by Benz at 6:32 pm to open public hearing on CDBG on Green Street. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Crombie explained that this is the second public participation hearing regarding the CDBG, which is a requirement. Crombie presented the agenda items, provided by MSA, to be covered in this presentation. Which stated the project is nearly complete and will be finished in spring. The contractor on the project, Forest Landscaping & Construction, has requested \$654,723.02 for their work on the project. The balance to finish is \$187,547.28. Also, sharing that as of January 2022 the CDBG funds have been received in the amount of \$448,927.85 with \$254,563.15 remaining to be requested.

There was further discussion by council regarding the no parking on one side of Green St. Chief Rohr feels the busiest section is E. Green St. due to the school. It was suggested to wait until summer to see how people have transitioned to the no parking rule and decide then if it needs to be discussed further.

**Close public hearing of CDBG on Green Street:**

Motion by Linke, seconded by Mund at 6:44 pm to close public hearing on CDBG on Green Street. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Contractor's pay request:**

Motion by Pollesch, seconded by Hartzheim to approve the contractor's payment request No. 4 in the amount of \$31,101.33 to Forest Landscaping and Construction, Inc. for the Green Street Reconstruction project. Vote in favor: Benz, Hartzheim, Linke, Mund, Pollesch and Ault. Motion carried.

**Resolution 7-2022:**

Motion by Mund, seconded by Pollesch to approve Resolution 7-2022, a resolution adjusting the sewer rates for 2022-2023. Vote in favor: Hartzheim, Linke, Mund, Pollesch, Ault and Benz. Motion carried.

Crombie stated a notice of the sewer rate change will be placed on the next water bill to be mailed out in March to inform the customers of the changed rates for the bill that will be sent out in April.

**Police squad vehicle lease extension:**

Motion by Pollesch, seconded by Mund to approve police squad vehicle lease extension agreement with Ewald Fleet Solutions, LLC for the lease of a squad car. Vote in favor: Linke, Mund, Pollesch, Ault, Benz and Hartzheim. Motion carried.

**Meagher property purchase update and discussion:**

Crombie shared on January 24, 2022 the City closed on the purchase of the land from Michael and Thomas Meagher. The next step will be to annex the land into the city and then to convey the land to the RDA. Then the RDA will be taking on its own loan to own the land. This will free up the City's debt capacity. When these steps are complete there will be a meeting with the RDA and the council to discuss the plan on how to move forward regarding the property.

**Farm lease between City of Fox Lake and Thomas and Michael Meagher:**

Motion by Hartzheim, seconded by Linke to approve farm lease for approximately 61 acres of land between the City of Fox Lake and Thomas Meagher and Michael Meagher. Vote in favor: Mund, Pollesch, Ault, Benz, Hartzheim and Linke. Motion carried.

**Administrator report:**

Crombie stated the street sweeper is delayed while the company is waiting for a part to come in. No money has been wired at this point and will wait until the delivery.

Crombie also explained his findings from the Dodge County ARPA meeting he had attended the night before. He also stated that the county is planning to create an adhoc committee to go through the requests in greater detail.

With no other business to come before the Council, motion by Linke, seconded by Benz to adjourn. Motion carried with a voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.