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ASHLAND CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, August 30, 2022 – 6:00 PM

Ashland City Hall Council Chambers

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Tuesday, August 30, 2022 Ashland City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Matt Mac Kenzie at 6:00 p.m.

A. Roll Call, Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance

Roll call was taken, a Moment of Silence was held, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

PRESENT: Kevin Seefeldt, Sarah Jackson, Eric Lindell, Laura Graf, Charlie Ortman, Dick Pufall

ABSENT: Ana Tochterman (Excused)

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Matthew MacKenzie, City Administrator Brant Kucera, City Clerk Denise Oliphant, City Attorney Tyler Wickman, Public Works Director John Butler, Finance Director Julie Vaillancourt, Police Chief Willis Hagstrom, Fire Chief Stuart Matthias, and other concerned citizens.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MacKenzie asked that item 8F be removed from the agenda. Lindell moved, seconded by Graf to approve the amended agenda. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

3. MINUTES

A. August 16, 2022 City Council Meeting Minutes

Pufall moved, seconded by Jackson to approve the minutes with a correction to a date noted. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

4. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION PERIOD

The Clerk read the Rules for Citizen Participation, and the following offered their comments to the Council:

Zygmund Jablonski, 916 6th Avenue West, spoke regarding comments made on a certified letter receipt notification returned to him via USPS.

5. MAYOR'S REPORT

A. Announcements

The volunteer recognition picnic held last week was a success and the Mayor plans to host this event again next summer. AADC recently held a "Ready, Vet, Go" Program to assist Veterans wishing to start a business. Northland College is celebrating their 130th anniversary in September. The Council retreat will be held on Tuesday, September 6, 2022.

6. INTRODUCTION OF ASHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT ROBERT PRATER

Mr. Robert Prater, Ashland School District Superintendent introduced himself to Council, and spoke of plans for a successful upcoming school year.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Miscellaneous Meeting Minutes

Lindell moved, seconded by Pufall to approve the Consent agenda. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Approve a Resolution to Amend the 2021 General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, Debt Service Funds, Capital Project Funds, and Internal Service Funds Per Wis. State Statute 65.90(5)(a) (Finance) Roll

Lindell moved, seconded by Seefeldt to approve the resolution. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

B. Approve a Resolution by the Common Council for the City of Ashland, Wisconsin Authorizing the Renewal of the Annual School Resource Officer (SRO) Agreement with the School District of Ashland (Police Department) Roll

Lindell moved, seconded by Seefeldt to approve the resolution. The motion passed unanimously by roll call vote.

C. Approve the Ashland Fire Department to Submit an Application to Compeer Financial for an Emergency Response Equipment - Regional Collaboration Grant (Fire Department) Voice

Pufall moved, seconded by Jackson to approve. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

D. Approve to Waive the Provisions of the Ashland Employee Handbook, Section 2.09 Employment of Relatives (*Public Works*) Voice

Seefeldt moved, seconded by Pufall to approve. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

E. Approve to Reverse Emergency Declaration for the Purpose of Permitting the Timely Repairs of Pretreatment and North Clarifier Components at the Wastewater Treatment Plant per Wisconsin State Statute 62.15(1b) (*Public Works*) Voice

Lindell moved, seconded by Graf to approve. The motion passed unanimously by voice vote.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Lindell moved, seconded by Graf to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Oliphant,
City Clerk

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