

Watson City Council Meeting Minutes

November 10, 2020

Present: Mayor: Todd Tongen Council Members: Carter Lokken, Jonathan Koenen, City Clerk, Nicole Koenen.

Mayor Tongen called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

Liquor License for Goose Bar and Salty Heifers and Chuck Olson Lot were added to New Business
Motion to approve Agenda with additions by Tongen, 2nd Koenen m/s/p unanimously.

Motion to approve October 13, 2020 Council Meeting Minutes by Koenen, 2nd Tongen m/s/p unanimously.

Closing for USDA Economic Initiative Grant

Austin Claeys with the USDA could not attend the meeting. He emailed documents that needed to be signed. The City Attorney also sent documents that needed to be signed in order to close on our loan. The following were signed or initialed for the USDA:

- Closing Instructions
- Grant Agreement
- Form RD 1942-47

The Following were signed from our Attorney:

- General Obligation Equipment Certification of Indebtedness Series 2020
- Resolution 11-10-20-1

Motion to approve resolution 11-10-20-1 by Koenen, 2nd Lokken m/s/p unanimously

- Tax Certificate
- General Certificate of the City
- Certificate of Receipt and Delivery
- Final Certificate
- Form 8038-GC

Maintenance Report

- Annual pump checks – Montevideo Operators asked if we have a company perform annual pump checks. Vogel was not present at the meeting so this question was tabled.
- Lead/Copper Tap Water Monitoring Report – A copy of this report was provided to each council member. The MN Department of Health stated we are in compliance.

Financial Report

- Cash Balances

Motion to approve monthly claims by Tongen, 2nd Koenen m/s/p unanimously

Old Business

- Special Assessments
 - Resolution 11-10-20-2

Motion to approve Resolution 11-10-20-2 by Tongen, 2nd Koenen m/s/p unanimously

New Business:

- Resident request to turn water off – A resident requested that if they turn their water off at their home the city only charge the sewer base rate. Also asked about capping each connection. Council discussed the situation and decided that we keep with our policy and charge every home owner connected to our system the same.
- Election Results – The county Auditor sent the Abstract of Election results in which there is a tie for council member. The canvass board will need to meet to determine the winner by draw.
- Liquor Licenses - The Goose Bar and Salty Heifers are up for renewal.

Motion to approve liquor license for both businesses pending insurance by Tongen, 2nd Koenen m/s/p unanimously

- Chuck Olson Lot – Lokken suggested that the city offer to clean up the lot in exchange to allow us to pile snow there when needed. Council directed Nicole to send a letter asking if Chuck would consider this.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:20pm.

Respectfully submitted,

City Clerk, Nicole Koenen