Watseka City Council Meeting

November 23rd 2021

The City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor John Allhands at 7:00pm. Present were Aldermen Barragree, Marcier, Cahoe, Garfield, Rushbrook & Alderwoman Musk. Absent was Alderwoman Ulfers & Alderman Miller.

Motion was made by Garfield, seconded by Barragree to approve the City Council meeting minutes of October 26th 2021. Motion passed 6-0.

Public Comment: None

Ordinances, Resolutions, Agreements & Proclamations

- Ordinance #2626-Amending Title 11, Building Regulations, Chapter 7 Electrical Code, Section 11-7-3, Permit Requirements, and Section 11-7-4, Certificate of Approval, of the Watseka City Code.
- Ordinance #2627-Amending Title 6, Public Safety, Chapter 4, Fire Prevention and Protections, by Adding Section 6-4-8, Emergency Response and Recovery Fees, of the Watseka City Code.
- Ordinance #2628-Amending Title 6, Public Safety, Chapter 4, Fire Prevention and Protection, by Adding Section 6-4-6, Life Safety Code and Section 6-4-7, Smoke and Carbon Monoxide Detector Inspections of the Watseka City Code.
- Ordinance #2629-Amending Title 3, Finances, and Taxation, Chapter 1, General Finance Provisions, by Adding Section 3-1-8, Persons Indebted to the City of Watseka of the Watseka City Code.
- **Ordinance #2630**-Amending Title 9, Public Ways and Property, Chapter 3, Driveways, Section 9-3-1, Construction Regulations, of the Watseka City Code.

Consent Agenda

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A Motion was made by Rushbrook, seconded by Garfield to set the Consent Agenda. Motion passed 6-0.

A Motion was made by Rushbrook, seconded by Barragree to Accept the Consent Agenda. Motion passed 6-0.

Standing Committee Reports

• Finance, Legal and Audit

A Motion was made by Garfield, seconded by Marcier to pay claims in the amount \$1,005,515.85. Motion passed 6-0.

A Motion was made by Rushbrook, seconded by Musk to Accept and Place on file the October Treasurer Report. Motion passed 6-0.

A Motion was made by Garfield, seconded by Rushbrook TIF 3 reimbursement to Belmont Oaks \$46,404.52. Motion passed 6-0.

A Motion was made by Garfield, seconded by Rushbrook TIF 3 reimbursement to Heritage Woods \$54,596.61. Motion passed 6-0.

Alley Between S 4th & S 5th St resurfacing from IPC \$30,300 No action was taken IPC cannot get to this project this year.

Public Works

Robert Langellier \$750.00 for property at the east end of E Oak St. No action was taken.

Public Safety

None

• Code Enforcement

A Motion was made by Barragree, seconded by Cahoe Lee Farms Excavating aggregate bid for \$44,300 to demolish 531 N 5th St, 132 W Herron Ct, 805 N Virginia and 109 W Sheridan St. Motion passed 6-0.

A Motion was made by Cahoe, seconded by Marcier Start condemnation proceedings at 1121 N Jefferson St. Motion passed 6-0.

• Water/Wastewater Report

None

Miscellaneous Business

Police Pension bond discussion of 1.5 million and possible action. No action was taken City Attorney needs to look at the actuary report.

Reports from Officers- None

Alderman Garfield asked about \$50 gift cards to Berkot's for the city employees for Christmas, there are 60 employees this will cost \$3,000.00 this excludes alcohol and tobacco products, this will be put on the agenda for next month. Alderman Garfield also asked about having the 5% Liquor Tax for the Police Pension being locked in having the ordinance revised.

A Motion was made by Cahoe, seconded by Marcier to Adjourn at 7:23pm. Motion passed 6-0.

Amanda Hibbs, City Clerk