

**CITY OF WORTHING
APPROVED MINUTES
REGULAR SESSION
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2018**

CALL TO ORDER

The Commissioners of the City of Worthing met in regular session on Monday, September 24, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. in the Worthing City Hall.

Mayor Bradley Hazuka presided. The following commissioners were present: Sheri Lund, Crystal Jacobson, Denise Moani Nelson and John Ganschow. Also in attendance were Finance Officer Linda Hunnel and Maintenance Tech Anthony Ketelsen.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hazuka led the meeting in the pledge of allegiance.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Lund to approve the September 24, 2018 posted agenda with the following addition: Resolution 2018-09-24-02, A Resolution Approving Special Assessment Rolls for Tall Grass Abatement. Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

OPEN PUBLIC SPEAKING

June and Lyle DeVitt were present to inquire into what progress, if any, was being made in replacing the civic center roof. Mayor Hazuka said the City is continuing to search for financing options within the city's already strained budget. Worthing Volunteer Fire Chief Jim Miles was asked to check with the board about the possibility of meeting at the Fire Station until a solution can be found.

Tony Ventura of rural Hudson presented the Commission with a Lincoln County Rural Development Site Analysis. Ventura said the Commission should consider extending its city limit jurisdiction to prevent Confined Animal Feeding Operations near its borders.

PLANNING & ZONING

Lund made a Motion to Proceed with the following case: Failure of John Foltz, 200 S. Oak Street, to obtain Building Permits. Ganschow seconded. Motion carried: Lund, Ganschow and Nelson voting aye. Jacobson abstaining.

MAINTENANCE REPORT

City Maintenance Employee Tony Ketelsen gave the following report to the Commission: elevations have been taken for the recreation pond drainage project, lift station pumps are running nonstop, flushing of water lines have been completed, maintenance is investigating flooding at 3rd and Louise, the City of Worthing sign has been installed, maintenance still needs to test all hydrants for Fire Dept. ISO rating, and lagoon levels are cell one-5 ½ feet, cell two-6 ½ feet and cell three-6 ½ feet.

Maintenance employees Ketelsen and Haar had looked at a mosquito sprayer and 30 gallons of surplus chemical for sale by the City of Canton for \$5500. Ketelsen said the newer and larger sprayer had a lot more fogging power than our current sprayer, which is having problems with output. Motion by Jacobson, second by Ganschow, to purchase a Clarke sprayer and 30 gallons of product from the City of Canton for \$5500. Motion carried, all voting aye.

The Commission discussed the sewer back up claims from Park Street residents. FO Hunnel said our insurance company will be conducting an investigation and handling the issue. Hunnel

thanked City Maintenance Employee's Haar and Ketelsen for working through the night during the latest heavy rainfall.

FINANCE OFFICER REPORT

FO Hunnel asked the Commission to review the special assessment roll for tall grass abatement. Lund made a motion to approve Resolution 2018-09-24-02, A Resolution Approving Special Assessment Rolls for Tall Grass Abatement. Nelson seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

FO Hunnel presented the Commission with updated USDA loan info. Hunnel asked that the Commission consider a \$500 donation to SD WARN. The City of Worthing borrowed a pump through WARN after the heavy rains earlier this season. Jacobson made a motion to approve a \$500 donation to SD WARN to aid in their purchase of equipment that state and local agencies can borrow during emergencies. Ganschow seconded. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Hunnel said there was a citizen complaint about the maintenance of a tree on 2nd Street that had been planted by the City as part of the Safe Routes to School project. The Commission decided to remove the tree for the following reasons: the tree is blocking a sign, planted too close to the curb and is in violation of the city's tree ordinance. Motion by Lund, second by Nelson to remove a city planted tree on 2nd Street and Louise Avenue. Motion carried, all voting aye.

Hunnel also reported that there had been problems at various properties in the city that owned roosters, which are prohibited. Hunnel will contact these residents about the regulations for owning chickens.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS

PUBLIC UTILITIES

Commissioner Jacobson inquired into mailing out a citizen survey asking what businesses they would like to see in Worthing and what they think the greatest needs for the community are. Jacobson also thanked City Employees Jake Haar and Tony Ketelsen for their efforts during the recent rains.

FINANCE AND REVENUE

Commissioner Lund had no report.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Commissioner Nelson reported that she had met with Police Chief Travis Johns concerning scheduling police hours to serve current community needs of school patrols, police visibility and late night patrols.

PUBLIC WORKS

Commissioner Ganschow said that the chip seal project for the area around the school and Mary Street has been postponed due to the rainy summer season.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Hazuka had no report.

REGULAR BUSINESS

SEPTEMBER 10th MINUTES

Lund motioned to approve the September 10, 2018 minutes. Jacobson seconded. Motion carried, all voting aye.

SEPTEMBER 24th CLAIMS, AUGUST WAGE REPORT

Lund motioned to approve the September 24, 2018 Claims in the amount of \$38,342.87, and the August Wage Report. Nelson seconded. Motion carried, all voting aye.

AUGUST REVENUE & EXPENSE, CASH REPORT

Lund motioned to approve the August Cash Report as submitted by FO Hunnel. Jacobson seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye. Hunnel then went over a budget status worksheet with the commission, detailing what funds had surpluses and projects pending.

OLD BUSINESS

LWCF GRANT-THIRD STREET PARK RESOLUTION

The Commission decided that there were not sufficient funds in the park budget to warrant applying for the LWCF Grant, which requires a 50% matching grant at a minimum of \$10,000.

NEW BUSINESS

PERMIT TO RAISE FOWL-SCOTT MOELLER 201 S. POPLAR STREET

Scott Moeller was present to request owning chickens at his residence in accordance with Ord. 2014-268-3. Jacobson made a motion to approve the request of Scott Moeller, 201 S. Poplar Street, to own chickens, per Ord. 2014-2568-3. Ganschow seconded the motion. Motion carried, all voting aye.

ZAHN DRIVE-REQUEST BY WEDC FOR CITY TO TAKE POSSESSION

Hunnel asked that this item be tabled until the October 8th meeting as she is waiting for the street report from City Engineer Jon Fischer.

Mayor Hazuka called a brief recess at 8:34 PM. Mayor Hazuka called the meeting back to order at 8:44 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion by Jacobson, second by Lund to enter into Executive Session at 8:44 PM for the following reason: [AS ALLOWED FOR UNDER SDCL 1-25-2] (3) CONSULTING WITH LEGAL COUNSEL OR REVIEWING COMMUNICATIONS FROM LEGAL COUNSEL ABOUT PROPOSED OR PENDING LITIGATION OR CONTRACTUAL MATTERS.

Mayor Hazuka called the meeting back to order at 9:16. No action was taken.

There being no further business before the Commission, Lund motioned to adjourn at 9:16 PM. Jacobson seconded. Motion carried, all voting aye.

The next meeting of the Worthing City Commission will start at **7:00 PM MONDAY, October 8th at the WORTHING CITY HALL.**

Bradley J. Hazuka, Mayor

Linda D. Hannel, Finance Officer