



## MINUTES

### COHASSET CITY COUNCIL

305 NORTHWEST FIRST AVENUE

TUESDAY, MAY 11, 2021

6:00 P.M. CLOSED CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION

7:00 P.M. REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

**6:00 p.m. CLOSED City Council Work Session** to discuss labor negotiations and Attorney client privilege.

### **7:00 p.m. City Council Meeting**

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Greg Hagy called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance

#### **2. Roll Call**

**Present:** Mayor Greg Hagy, Councilors Terry Bartz, Tim Carlson, Phil Hermel, and Jason Tabaka

**Absent:** None

**Non Officio Members:** Finance Manager Max Peters, and Security Officer Dean Scherf

**Others:** Assistant Fire Chief Andy MacDonell

3. **Resident Input:** None

#### **4. Approve Agenda**

**Additions:** Item 5) E Recommendation from the Personnel Committee

**Deletions:** None

*A motion was made by Tabaka/Carlson to approve the agenda as amended. Voting in favor: Hagy, Bartz, Carlson, Hermel, & Tabaka; Voting against: None; Absent: None. Motion carried.*

#### **5. Administration**

**A. Approve Quote from boxwood + vine for Planters & Planting Service:** *A motion was made by Carlson/Hermel to approve a quote from boxwood + vine in the amount of \$2738.10. Voting in favor: Hagy, Bartz, Carlson, Hermel, & Tabaka; Voting against: None; Absent: None. Motion carried.*

**B. Hire Two Fire Fighter Trainees:** Assistant Fire Chief Andy MacDonnell was present to make a hiring request and to give a Fire Department update. *A motion was made by Carlson/Tabaka to approve the hire of Benjamin Kilde & Charles Gibeau as fire fighter trainees with an official start date of June 1, 2021 contingent upon a successful background check and physical. Also granting Council approval for Kilde and Gibeau to take part in a live burn exercise on May 25, 2021 providing they have completed a physical and successfully*

*completed a background check. Voting in favor: Hagy, Bartz, Carlson, Hermel, & Tabaka; Voting against: None; Absent: None. Motion carried.* MacDonnel was thanked for his time.

**C. Approve the Following Documents in Connection with the Cohasset-Grand Rapids Industrial Park Infrastructure Project:**

- 1) Cohasset Application Certification Clause
- 2) Resolution 2021-14
- 3) Disclosure of Lobbying Activities (Standard Form-LLL)
- 4) Certification Regarding Lobbying (Form CD-511)
- 5) Application for Federal Assistance (Standard Form-424)
- 6) Additional EDA Assurance for Construction or Non-Construction Investments (Form ED-900A)
- 7) Assurances –Construction Programs (Standard Form-424D)

Finance Manager Max Peters explained that the above listed documents are in connection with a Federal EDA Grant application that the City of Grand Rapids has put forth to run water across the Mississippi River on County Road 63, to the train tracks, and then down to the Forest History Center Road to County Road 76, which will loop that system to the Golf Course Road. This would be valuable to the City of Cohasset due to the number of water connections that would be made available. The City has agreed to make a contribution in the amount of \$311,000. The Federal EDA requested a joint application between Grand Rapids and Cohasset and this will not change the amount of dollars the City of Cohasset will be responsible for.

Mayor Hagy stated this will allow the City to expand the water and sewer system and he is aware that many Cohasset Residents are eager to become utility customers.

*A motion was made by Carlson/Tabaka to approve documents 1-7 as listed above. Voting in favor: Hagy, Bartz, Carlson, Hermel, & Tabaka; Voting against: None; Absent: None. Motion carried.*

**D. Approve Temporary Liquor License for GRIMBA Fundraiser:** *A motion was made by Carlson/Tabaka to approve a temporary liquor license for the Grand Rapids & Itasca Mountain Bicycling Association (GRIMBA) for a fund raising event to be held at Tioga Beach on July 10, 2021. Voting in favor: Hagy, Bartz, Carlson, Hermel, & Tabaka; Voting against: None; Absent: None. Motion carried.*

**E. Recommendation from the Personnel Committee:** *A motion was made by Hermel/Carlson to approve the hire of seasonal part time Park & Rec Coordinator Stephanie Kessler for five to ten hours per week at a pay rate of \$20 per hour. Employment start date has not been determined and is contingent upon a successful background check. Voting in favor: Hagy, Bartz, Carlson, Hermel, & Tabaka; Voting against: None; Absent: None. Motion carried.*

**Miscellaneous Announcements, Reports and FYIs:** Dean Scherf reported that it has been relatively quiet. Activities have started at Portage Park and there have been some parking violations. He is working on the placement of some additional parking signs. No swimming signs will also be installed at the Tioga Beach dock.

**All matters listed under consent agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered separately.**

**7. Consent Agenda**

- A. Approve Claims in the Amount of \$59,343.78
- B. Approve the April 27, 2021 City Council Minutes
- C. Acknowledge April 5, 2021 PUC Minutes
- D. Acknowledge the April 6, 2021 EDA Minutes
- E. Acknowledge Cemetery Deed for Dick Swanson

*A motion was made by Carlson/Tabaka to approve the consent agenda and claims in the amount of \$59,343.78. Voting in favor: Hagy, Bartz, Carlson, Hermel, & Tabaka; Voting against: None; Absent: None. Motion carried.*

**Adjourn:** Mayor Hagy adjourned the meeting at 7:21 p.m.

Submitted by Deputy Clerk Karen Blair

Approved: 5/25/2021