

MAYER CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 9, 2019

Call Regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. by Mayor Dodge

PRESENT: Mayor Dodge, Council Members Boder, Butterfield, McNeilly, and Stieve-McPadden

ABSENT:

STAFF: City Administrator McCallum, Public Works Kuntz, and Deputy Clerk Gildemeister

ALSO PRESENT: Don Wachholz, Annika Olson

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVE AGENDA

A MOTION was made by Council Member Boder with a second by Council Member Butterfield to approve the agenda with the removal of 5C and the addition of 2020 Budget discussion which was moved from the September 9, 2019 Workshop Meeting. Motion Carried 5/0

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

A MOTION was made by Council Member Butterfield with a second by Council Member McNeilly to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion Carried 5/0.

1. Approve the Minutes of August 26, 2019 Regular Council Meeting.
2. Approve the Minutes of August 26, 2019 Council Workshop Meeting.
3. Approve the Minutes of September 4, 2019 Special Council Budget Workshop Meeting.
4. Approve Claims for the Month of September 2019. Check numbers 2284 TO 22505. E-check numbers 5393E to 5404E.
5. Approve Resolution 9-9-19-31 2020 Caver County Prosecution Contract.
6. Acknowledge Park Commission Appointments – Brian Schaeppi and Melissa Gomes.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

1. **Approve 1109 Apple Circle Petition and Waiver Agreement** – The property owners at 1109 Apple Circle are experiencing significant drainage issues on their property and have requested certain public improvements be made to alleviate the drainage issues. After much discussion and legal review, the City and the owners have determined that the City could make improvements. Since the improvements benefit the property, the owner would be responsible for the improvements made. The City estimates the project to cost about \$650 for material, labor, and equipment. A petition and waiver agreement between the property owner and the City is needed to indicate the City will do the improvements and assess the cost to the property owner. A MOTION to approve Petition and Waiver agreement with 1109 Apple Circle was made by Council Member Butterfield and seconded by Council Member McNeilly. Motion carried 5/0.
2. **Approve Code Enforcement Policy** – A MOTION to Approve the Code Enforcement Policy was made by Council Member Stieve-McPadden and seconded by Council Member McNeilly. Motion Carried 5/0.
3. **Discussion on 2020 Budget Draft** – City Administrator McCallum presented the 2020 Budget Draft to Council. McCallum presented expenditure and revenue data from the 2019 budget year, as well as the proposed 2020 budget with and without capital expenditures. She stated last year's tax levy was 49.10% and the 2020 preliminary tax rate is showing a 2.98% increase to 52.08%. The increase is directly correlated to the growing needs and future planning of the City. She brought attention to engineering fees on street

improvement projects and pond assessment, water tower maintenance, police contract, Watertown-Mayer School District referendum and general election year as the items contributing to the increase. Council appreciated the hard work Staff put into the daft and thanked her for the thorough presentation.

COUNCIL REPORTS

- Council Member Butterfield reported about 400 people assembled for the Veterans Memorial Dedication Ceremony held on Saturday, September 7, 2019.
- Council Member McNeilly praised Council Member Butterfield for the speech she gave at the Veterans Memorial Dedication Ceremony.
- Council Member McNeilly stated she will be attending the Park Board Meeting on September 10, 2019.

CLOSED SESSION-Minn. Stat. §13D.03 7:04 p.m.

1. The meeting is closed to consider strategy for labor negotiations, including negotiation strategies or developments or discussion and review of labor negotiation proposals, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 13D.03, subd. 1(b);
2. The specific subjects to be discussed, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 13.01, subd. 3, may include the status of labor negotiations and negotiation strategies.

A MOTION to close Closed Session and reopen Regular Council Meeting at 8:05 p.m. was made by Council Member Stieve-McPadden and seconded by Council Member McNeilly. Motion carried 5/0.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

- Acknowledge Minutes of the August 27, 2019 EDA Meeting.
- Acknowledge Minutes of the September 3, 2019 Personnel Committee Meeting.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, a MOTION was made by Council Member McNeilly and seconded by Council Member Butterfield to adjourn the meeting at 8:06 p.m. Motion Carried 5/0

Mike Dodge, Mayor

Attest: _____
Janell Gildemeister, Deputy City Clerk