

City of Mayer

City Council Meeting Minutes for October 14th, 2024

Present: Mayor Dodge, Council Members Wegner, Fautsch, McNeilly
Absent: Council Member Heldt
Staff: City Administrator Nicholas Johnson
City Clerk Alicia Menzel
Visitors: Don Wachholz
Darren Schuler, Watertown-Mayer School District Superintendent
Hunter Feldt, Watertown-Mayer School District Board Member
Mark Metz, Carver County Attorney

Opening Items

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Mayor Dodge.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Fautsch and seconded by McNeilly to approve the agenda as presented.
All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Public Comment Period

There were no attendees for public comment.

Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Wegner and seconded by Fautsch to approve the consent agenda. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

1. Consider Approval of September 23rd, 2024 City Council Minutes
2. Consider Approval of September 23rd, 2024 City Council Workshop Minutes
3. Consider Approval of Claims for Payment (7231e to 7256e; 26043 to 26079)
4. Consider Approval of Staff Reports
5. Consider Approval of Final Pay Application for the Pavilion Project

Business Items

Presentation by Darren Schuler of the Watertown-Mayer State of the Schools – Watertown Mayer Superintendent Darren Schuler gave The State of the School Address. Some of the items reviewed were test scores and academic growth, the school’s new parking lot, and enrollment.

Consider Approval of the 2025 Prosecution Contract with the Carver County Attorney’s Office – Carver County Attorney Mark Metz was present to give an overview of the prosecution contract and the types of cases Carver County handles. A motion was made by McNeilly and seconded by Fautsch to approve the 2025 Prosecution Contract. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried.

Consider Adoption of Ordinance 246 Amending Chapter 51 Regarding Utility Billing, Collection and Charges – City Administrator Johnson reintroduced the ordinance with a new effective date of March 1, 2025. Councilmember Wegner stated she does not agree with

changing the due date of the utility bills. A motion was made by McNeilly and seconded by Fautsch to adopt Ordinance 246 amending City Code Chapter 51. Three voted in favor. One voted against. The motion was carried.

Consider Action of Land Use Agreement with Mayer Baseball Club for City Hall Property Usage – City Administrator Johnson reintroduced the item of the storage shed for Mayer Baseball and presented the draft land use agreement. The term of the agreement is proposed at 20 years with rent at \$150.00 per month. The Council will need to discuss what provisions, if any, will need to be added to cover an increase in rent. Discussion was held to review the agreement every five years to evaluate the rent. Mayor Dodge inquired if we need to add language restricting shed size. City Administrator Johnson will update the agreement and bring it back to another meeting.

City Council Reports

Councilmember McNeilly attended a virtual sidewalk meeting to review the survey results and discuss next steps to repair and/or replace sidewalk. City Administrator Johnson said Birch Drive was dropped from the list.

Adjournment

A motion was made by McNeilly and seconded by Wegner to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor. None voted against. The motion was carried. Meeting adjourned at 7:20pm.

Attest:

Mayor

City Clerk