**City of Nashua**

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**City Council Chambers, City Hall**

The Nashua City Council met in regular session on June 17, 2019 in Council Chambers at City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 6:58PM with Mayor Betsinger presiding. Council members present were Rolland Cagley, Scott Cerwinske, Thomas Johnson, Harold Kelleher III, and Angelina Dietz-Robinson. City employee(s) City Clerk John Ott and Police Chief Benjamin Scholl were in attendance. Nick Henningsen Superintendent of Water/Waste Water was in attendance along with 8 guests.

Mayor Betsinger asked for consideration approving the amended agenda adding Resolution 19-21 Approving Settlement Agreement Regarding Abatement and adding the Fireworks permit for Dan and Lisa Zwanziger. Cagley Motioned. Dietz-Robinson Seconded. Motion Carried.

The Mayor called for public comments One citizen wanted to comment on how hard the volunteers worked during the clean-up day. She also wanted to know if it would be alright if the city would provide some chemicals to spray the sidewalks and they would be willing to volunteer their time to spray the weeds. The mayor said that would be fine she could get the chemicals at the city shed. The Mayor had brought up the Welcome Bags from the Chamber and there was some discussion from a citizen who wanted to see what was in the bag and so City Clerk Ott had printed off a picture of the contents of the bag and explained that he didn’t have a physical bag to show as there weren’t any at City Hall. We had another citizen that inquired about the process in which his building permit application was handled as well as inquiring about whether or not another property in the business district was required to get a permit. The mayor stated that the other property was required to get a permit. There was also a question on the changes to the building permit, which City Clerk Ott responded that it was changed as a requirement per the DNR when City Clerk Ott met with them in regards to Flood Plain Management.

Mayor Betsinger asked for approval of the June 3rd meeting and Dietz-Robinson just noted that City Clerk Ott was writing too much detail in the minutes, which City Clerk Ott acknowledged. Cerwinske Motioned. Johnson Seconded. Motion Carried.

Betsinger asked for a motion to open the public hearing on Nashua Floodplain Ordinance Amendment. Kelleher Motioned. Cagley Seconded. Motion Carried. Roll Call: Cagley- aye; Cerwinske – aye; Dietz-Robinson – aye; Johnson – aye; Kelleher – aye. Motion Carried. Betsinger asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Cagley Motioned. Dietz-Robinson Seconded. Motion Carried. Roll Call: Cagley- aye; Cerwinske – aye; Dietz-Robinson – aye; Johnson – aye; Kelleher – aye. Betsinger asked for a motion to approve the Nashua Flood Plain Ordinance. Cerwinske Motioned. Kelleher Seconded. Motion Carried. Roll Call: Cagley- aye; Cerwinske – aye; Dietz-Robinson – aye; Johnson – aye; Kelleher – aye.

Betsinger asked for a motion to open the public hearing on the Ordinance for Nuisance Abatement Lawn Care. Cagley Motioned. Cerwinske Seconded. Motion Carried. Roll Call: Cagley- aye; Cerwinske – aye; Dietz-Robinson – aye; Johnson – aye; Kelleher – aye. Motion Carried. Betsinger asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Cagley Motioned. Dietz-Robinson Seconded. Motion Carried. Roll Call: Cagley- aye; Cerwinske – aye; Dietz-Robinson – aye; Johnson – aye; Kelleher – aye. Betsinger asked for a motion to approve the Ordinance for Nuisance Abatement Lawn Care. Kelleher Motioned. Cerwinske Seconded. Motion Carried. Roll Call: Cagley- aye; Cerwinske – aye; Dietz-Robinson – aye; Johnson – aye; Kelleher – aye.

Discussion/Approval regarding Resolution 19-21 Approving Settlement Agreement Regarding Abatement. Mayor Betsinger asked for a motion to approve Resolution 19-21 granting the 3 year tax abatement to the Roeder Properties in Industrial Park. Cagley Motioned. Johnson Seconded. Motion Carried. Roll Call: Cagley- aye; Cerwinske – aye; Dietz-Robinson – aye; Johnson – aye; Kelleher – aye.

Mayor Betsinger asked for a Motion to Approve the Consent Calendar Payment of Claims.

Payment of Claims (see claims report): Total claims to be paid: $25,628.96 + $7,976.44 (Wages)

1. General Fund: $16,535.15
2. Road Use: $3,273.81
3. Water: $2,237.325
4. Sewer: $1,618.68
5. Employee Benefits: $1,964

Dietz-Robinson Motioned. Cerwinske Seconded. Motion Carried.

Mayor Betsinger called for a motion to approve the building permits. Johnson Motioned. Dietz-Robinson Seconded. Motion Carried.

Mayor Betsinger asked for a motion to approve the fireworks permits. Dietz-Robinson Motioned. Cagley Seconded. Motion Carried.

Business of the Mayor

Mayor Betsinger asked the council if they were interested in selling any of the city lots. The council decided that they wanted to talk more about the requirements that they wanted to put in place for the sale of the lots before they wanted to proceed with selling any more lots.

Department Reports

City Clerk Ott answered the questions about some of the expenses from the last meeting. He also stated that he had emailed Nathan from IIW Engineers about the FEMA Lake/Dam project and the latest update was that the changes were approved by homeland security; however they had not been approved by FEMA. The mayor than stated that they are just going to go ahead with the original plans due to the time constraints. City Clerk Ott also briefly talked about the Housing 360 initiative as well as the approval of the grant for the Greeley St. project in FY2023. .

Police Chief Benjamin Scholl requested a public hearing be set for amending the Golf Cart/UTV Ordinance due to some errors in how it was originally written. A public hearing has been set for July 1st. He stated that he has been sending quite a few letters for lawn care and has been visiting with people about their sidewalk maintenance because a lot of them are not safe to walk on. He also mentioned that he has been checking on the abandoned buildings as they have been getting reports of people trespassing on them.

Council Members

Angelina Dietz-Robinson mentioned that the Water Over the Dam Days Parade will run along the same route as last year. Hal Kelleher thanked all of those who helped get Cannon Park ready for the re-dedication ceremony. Hal mentioned that there will be a film crew through July 3rd  filming in Nashua, and any video that is done in Nashua will be given to the city to use for advertising use. Tom requested approval from the council to close the 300-400 block for the car show as it has been done in previous years. The council approved. He also mentioned that along the parade route there are some low hanging branches that need to be trimmed. The mayor stated that it is the homeowner’s responsibility to get them trimmed. Tom also asked if someone could haul in some gravel to the fire station if possible. He stated that he was asked if all the water meters are new. Nick Henningsen Water/Waste Water Superintendent stated that some residents have not allowed them to come in to change them out, so some of them are still the old ones. Mayor Betsinger stated that the city has permission to go in without the owner’s permission per our Ordinance. Cagley inquired about the potholes being filled and Mayor said that if the weather cooperates and as Dan has time they will get done. One citizen stated that if people wanted Dan to have more time than they should be more courteous when the city does something nice like bring in the dumpsters to help people get rid of their junk. She stated that some of the citizen’s abused the opportunity by not following the rules. Dan spent all Monday morning trying to get all of the junk piled up inside and outside the dumpsters smashed down, so that Jendro would take them.

Nick Henningsen Superintendent of Water/Waste Water reviewed his monthly report. He stated that he was at Safety Training last week. They did manage to get two water main breaks fixed that were using quite a bit of water. He reviewed some of the repairs that were taken care of as well as let the council know of some upcoming repairs. He also brought up some of the issues due to the school not fixing their sewer line and how it is affecting other things. He also wanted to let the council know that he was offered a promotion, but he decided that he is going to stay right here in Nashua . The council, mayor, and citizens expressed their appreciation for him choosing to stay.

Discussion/Action Items

Mayor Betsinger asked for a motion to approve the Water Over the Dam Days/Nashua Civic League liquor license. Cerwinske Motioned. Dietz-Robinson Seconded. Motion Carried. Mayor Betsinger called for a motion to approve the liquor license for the Welcome Center. Dietz-Robinson Motioned. Kelleher Seconded. Motion Carried.

Other Business

The council decided that they would like to look into allowing alcohol to be allowed on the premise when groups rent one of the rooms at the Welcome Center. There was some discussion on liability and so there will be some more information obtained before a final decision will be made. The Library report was given out for review. There were also a few invoices that were not on the invoice list that City Clerk Ott wanted to get approved, so that he could get them paid prior to the next council meeting.

City Clerk Ott wanted to thank Beth Henningsen for organizing the City Clean Up and all the volunteers for helping out.

There was no other business. Cerwinske motioned to adjourn. Cagley Seconded. Motion Carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:23PM.

 Pending Approval by City Council

 John Ott

 City Clerk

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| Claims Report (June 4-17, 2019) |  |  |
| BADGER METER | WATER - METER FEES | $622.11 |
| BAKER & TAYLOR | LIB - BOOKS | $276.96 |
| BOOK LOOK | LIB - BOOKS | $423.75 |
| BUTLER-BREMER COMMUNICATI | WATER - WELL INTERNET | $44.95 |
| BRUENING ROCK PRODUCTS IN | STREETS - ROAD ROACK | $762.73 |
| CHRISTMAS FROM THE HEART | LIB - SUBSCRIPT | $38.01 |
| CEDAR VALLEY PORTABLES, L | PARKS - PORTA POTTIE RENTALS | $90.00 |
| CENTURYLINK | PHONE BILLS - MAY '19 | $572.68 |
| CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT | LIB - BOOKS | $46.50 |
| DEMCO | LIB - OFFICE SUPPLIES | $295.41 |
| DOLLAR GENERAL | LIB - BOOK | $5.95 |
| HACKMAN CONSTRUCTION | SPLASH PAD - CAP FOR RET. WALL | $75.16 |
| INGRAM | LIB - BOOKS/DVD'S | $362.76 |
| INRCOG | URBAN REVIT - REHAB GRANT FEES | $2,238.24 |
| IOWA LEAGUE OF CITIES | CITY - IOWA LEAGUE OF CITY DUE | $1,204.00 |
| IOWA MUNICIPALITIES WORKE | WORKER'S COMPENSATION PREMIUM | $1,964.00 |
| IRS - USA TAX PAYMENT | FED/FICA TAX | $2,740.00 |
| JACK OF ALL TRADES | LIB - ARTWORK | $300.00 |
| LEROY'S REPAIR | PARKS - OPERATING SUPPLIES | $14.95 |
| STOREY KENWORTHY MATT PAR | WATER/SEWER - DLNQT NOT LETTER | $374.60 |
| NATIONAL ELEVATOR INSPECT | WC - ANNUAL INSPECTION | $65.00 |
| NEW HAMPTON TRIBUNE NASHU | CH/POLICE - LEGAL PUBLICATIONS | $630.51 |
| NASHUA PUBLIC LIBRARY | LIB - PETTY CASH | $78.23 |
| R & S MOWING | LIB - SPRAY/FERTILIZE | $80.00 |
| RIVER BEND ENTERPRISES | SPLASH PAD - SAND | $844.81 |
| SUPERIOR LUMBER, INC. | SPLASH PAD - FENCING | $1,019.79 |
| TASTE OF HOME | LIB - BOOKS | $19.98 |
| THEISENS | PARKS - LAWN MAINT SUPPLIES | $82.97 |
| TREASURER STATE OF IOWA | STATE TAX | $373.00 |
| U.S. POST OFFICE | CH - JUNE POSTAGE | $453.53 |
| VERIZON | POLICE -VEHICLE INTERNET | $120.03 |
| WEBER PAPER COMPANY | LIB - OFFICE SUPPLIES | $71.57 |
| WEX BANK | CITY FUEL EXPENSES | $1,090.01 |
| SCHMITT, JEN | LIB - TRAVEL EXPENSES READ PRG | $16.77 |
| OTT, JOHN | CITY - SMALL CITY WKSHP TRAIN | $45.00 |
| WOMAN'S DAY | LIB - SUBSCRIPT | $8.56 |
| READ, TIM | LIB - AUTHOR VISIT | $200.00 |
| PAYROLL CHECKS | TOTAL PAYROLL CHECKS | $7,976.44 |
|   | CLAIMS TOTAL | $25,628.96 |
|   | GENERAL FUND FUND | $16,535.15 |
|   | ROAD USE FUND | $3,273.81 |
|   | EMPLOYEE BENEFIT FUND | $1,964.00 |
|   | WATER FUND | $2,237.32 |
|   | SEWER FUND | $1,618.68 |
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