**City of Nashua**

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**City Council Chambers, City Hall**

The Nashua City Council met in regular session on December 16, 2019 in Council Chambers at City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM with Mayor Betsinger presiding. Council members present were Scott Cerwinske, Angelina Dietz-Robinson, Thomas Johnson, and Harold Kelleher III. Rolland Cagley was absent. City employee(s) City Clerk John Ott and Water/Waste Water Superintendent Nick Henningsen were present as well as 7 guests.

Mayor Betsinger asked for consideration approving the agenda. Cerwinske Motioned Dietz-Robinson Seconded. Motion Carried.

Mayor Betsinger asked if anyone had public comments. There were none

Mayor Betsinger called for a motion to approve the minutes from the December 2, 2019 meeting Dietz-Robinson Motioned. Kelleher Seconded. Motion Carried.

Discussion/Approval

Discussion on determining which bids if any the city is willing to accept for the city properties being sold. After some discussion the council accepted the bid of $1.00 for the Sale of Property 623 Madison St. to the Nashua Betterment Council with the purpose of building homes to increase the tax revenue for the City of Nashua.

Resolution 19-47 Resolution of Transfer of Real Estate, 623 Madison St. was passed. Kelleher Motioned. Cerwinske Seconded. Motion Carried

Roll Call: Cerwinske – Aye, Dietz-Robinson – Aye, Johnson – Aye, Kelleher – Aye, Cagley - Absent

After some discussion about the 4.17 Acre Lot located on Mill St. the Mayor asked for a motion to accept any of the bids or reject all bids. Johnson motioned to reject all bids. Kelleher Seconded. Motion Carried. All were Ayes in favor of rejecting all bids.

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: $15,225.17+$7,941.89 (Wages)

1. General Fund: $13,894.87
2. Road Use: $3,488.95
3. Employee Benefits: $822.79
4. FEMA- Lake/Dam - $397.50
5. Water: $2,024.05
6. Sewer: $2,538.90
7. Total Funds: $23,167.06

Kelleher Motioned. Dietz-Robinson Seconded. Motion Carried.

Special Permits

A public hearing was set for January 6, 2020 for the Special Permit for 915 Brasher St. and 916 Main St.

Business of the Mayor

The Mayor followed up on the meeting from December 10th with INRCOG and IIW Engineers. He stressed the importance of the surveys that need to be completed in order for the City of Nashua to be eligible to apply for a CDBG Grant for the Greeley St. project to alleviate the flooding problem on and around Greeley St. The city is required to receive 31 of the 33 surveys that are sent out back in order to be eligible for the grant opportunity. He also worked with the newly elected council members Alex Anthofer, Charles Shelby, and re-elected council member Hal Kelleher III on setting a date for taking their Oath of Office which will be December 30th at 9:00AM at City Hall.

Department Reports

City Clerk Ott mentioned some of the potential funding opportunities to help pay for the Greeley St. Project or Main St. including the Blackhawk Gaming Grant and Chickasaw Community Foundation Grant and the Nuisance Property and Abandoned Building Remediation Loan Program.. He also mentioned that the Annual Exam is tentatively scheduled for January; however an exact date has not been set. He talked about the new SFR634 Property Tax Clarity Bill/Maximum Levy Resolution and some of the new rules that are in effect for the FY21 budget. He visited with the new council about signing up for Municipal Leadership Academy.

Council Members

Dietz-Robinson wanted to thank everyone for allowing her the opportunity to serve the City of Nashua. She has served as both the Mayor and as a Council Member over the past several years. She stated that it was a great experience that she will never forget and it taught her a lot. The other Council Members and Mayor also thanked Dietz-Robinson and Cagley for their years of service. Kelleher mentioned that the Park Board is working on their FY21 budget and they do have a few people who may be interested in joining the Park Board.

Nick Henningsen Water/Waste Water Superintendent also thanked Dietz-Robinson and Cagley for their years of service. He also wanted to thank Butler-Bremer for allowing the City of Nashua to use their truck for hanging Christmas lights as they do every year. He reviewed his monthly report hitting the highlights of some of the projects that they have done. He also made the suggestion that he would like the city to consider adding poly-phosphate to the water to help increase the longevity of the pipes and reduce the rust.

Discussion/Action Items

Mayor Betsinger asked any of the council members if they would like to serve on the Welcome Center Board since Dietz-Robinson was not going to be the council representative on the board when her term expires at the end of the year. Newly elected council member Alex Anthofer volunteered to serve on the Welcome Center Board to replace Dietz-Robinson as the council representative.

There were 3 bids for the police vehicle and the highest bid was $1500.00, which the council accepted. Dietz-Robinson Motioned. Johnson Seconded. Motion Carried.

All council members voted aye to accept the bid of $1,500.00.

City Clerk Ott informed the council that Police Chief Iriarte requested permission to attend a Heartsaver First Aid/CPR/AED on March 31, 2020. The cost is $75.00. The council approved

The council also approved getting security cameras for city hall. Dietz-Robinson Motioned. Kelleher Seconded. Motion Carried.

All Ayes in favor of getting a security camera system for city hall.

City Clerk Ott also asked the council if the city was going to be doing a spring clean up this year, because it would like to coordinate the city clean up with Jendro’s schedule.

The council decided to table discussion adding a storm water utility fee.

Other Business:

The Monthly Library report was reviewed.

The council approved the donation request of $810.00 for Pathways. Dietz-Robinson Motioned. Cerwinske Seconded. Motion Carried. The council also approved paying November vendor invoices for the Welcome Center, as well as the payment to Frisky Fox for the wine tasting. These invoices will be on the next claims report.

Other Business

The Mayor called for a motion to go into closed session. Dietz-Robinson Motioned. Cerwinske Seconded. Motion Carried.

The council went into closed session at 7:46PM for 21.5(1)(C) of the Iowa Code to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation.

Mayor Betsinger asked for a motion to resume open session. Kelleher Motioned. Dietz-Robinson Seconded. Motion Carried.

The council resumed open session at 8:15PM

Mayor Betsinger asked for a motion to approve legal counsel recommendations. All city council members agreed with the recommendations set forth by legal counsel.

There was no other business. Cerwinske Motioned to adjourn. Kelleher Seconded. Motion Carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM.

Pending Approval by City Council

John Ott

City Clerk

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| CLAIMS REPORT (Dec 3-16, 2019) | |  |  |  |
| VENDOR | REFERENCE | AMOUNT | CHECK # | CHECK DATE |
| U.S. POST OFFICE | WATER/SEW/GAR/REC-POST DEC'19 | $198.03 | 43460 | 12/5/2019 |
| CITY OF NASHUA | WC-PETTY CASH XMAS VENDOR SHOW | $100.00 | 43461 | 12/5/2019 |
| ARNOLD MOTOR SUPPLY | STREETS - VEHICLE MAINT | $345.87 | 43463 | 12/12/2019 |
| BADGER METER | WATER - METER SERVICES NOV '19 | $620.33 | 43464 | 12/12/2019 |
| BAKER & TAYLOR | LIB-BOOKS | $130.52 | 43465 | 12/12/2019 |
| BETTER HOMES & GARDENS | LIB-BOOKS | $35.87 | 43466 | 12/12/2019 |
| BIBLIONIX | LIB - TECH SUPPLIES | $800.00 | 43467 | 12/12/2019 |
| BOOK LOOK | LIB - TWO INVOICES BOOKS | $437.70 | 43468 | 12/12/2019 |
| BRUENING ROCK PRODUCTS INC | STREETS | $75.66 | 43469 | 12/12/2019 |
| BUTLER-BREMER COMMUNICATIONS | WELL - INTERNET | $44.95 | 43470 | 12/12/2019 |
| CEDAR LAKE EZ DOCK | PARKS-FALL '19 DOCK REMOVAL | $690.00 | 43471 | 12/12/2019 |
| CENTER POINT LARGE PRINT | LIB-BOOKS | $46.50 | 43472 | 12/12/2019 |
| CENTURYLINK | PHONE EXPENSES | $360.99 | 43473 | 12/12/2019 |
| DOLLAR GENERAL | LIB-READ PROGRAM | $111.00 | 43474 | 12/12/2019 |
| GERBER, SHEA | FD - TRAINING | $112.50 | 43475 | 12/12/2019 |
| GWORKS |  | $197.57 | 43476 | 12/12/2019 |
| HEATHER M. HACKMAN | LIB - TRAINING | $20.12 | 43477 | 12/12/2019 |
| IIW ENGINEERS & SURVEYORS | DAM-FEMA APRON SCOUR REPAIR | $397.50 | 43478 | 12/12/2019 |
| INGRAM | LIB-BOOKS/DVD'S | $363.15 | 43479 | 12/12/2019 |
| IOWA MUNICIPALITIES WORKERS | WORKER'S COMPENSATION PREMIUM | $840.00 | 43480 | 12/12/2019 |
| JOHN DEERE FINANCIAL | STREETS - OIL TTRUCKS/TOOL | $200.44 | 43481 | 12/12/2019 |
| LEROY'S REPAIR | STREETS - OPERATING SUPPLIES | $30.95 | 43482 | 12/12/2019 |
| LEWIS, CHAD | WC - BOOKS | $229.68 | 43483 | 12/12/2019 |
| LOVE OF QUILTING | LIB - SUBSCRIP | $36.95 | 43484 | 12/12/2019 |
| MARY JANES FARM MAGAZINE | LIB - SUBSCRIPT | $19.95 | 43485 | 12/12/2019 |
| MEHMEN, KARMEN |  | $190.35 | 43486 | 12/12/2019 |
| MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL | STEETS-OPERATING SUPPLIES | $379.43 | 43487 | 12/12/2019 |
| MSA SAFETY SALES, LLC | SEWER - SENSORS | $1,180.00 | 43488 | 12/12/2019 |
| NASHUA PUBLIC LIBRARY | LIB - PETTY CASH | $48.68 | 43489 | 12/12/2019 |
| NEW HAMPTON TRIBUNE NASHUA | CH-LEGALS | $827.29 | 43490 | 12/12/2019 |
| OTT, JOHN | CH-WEBSITE FEE | $483.78 | 43491 | 12/12/2019 |
| PEOPLE | LIB-SUBSCRIPT | $118.26 | 43492 | 12/12/2019 |
| RADIOLOGY CONSULTANTS OF IOWA | FD - X RAY | $72.00 | 43493 | 12/12/2019 |
| RILEY'S INC. | CH-NOV COPY FEES | $105.58 | 43494 | 12/12/2019 |
| S & T COLLISION |  | $899.52 | 43495 | 12/12/2019 |
| SANDRY FIRE SUPPLY, L.L.C | FD-.5C/.5R - MINOOR EQUIP. | $315.65 | 43496 | 12/12/2019 |
| THE IOWAN | LIB - SUBSCRIPTIONS | $24.00 | 43497 | 12/12/2019 |
| WAVERLY HEALTH CENTER | FD - SHEA GERBER PHYSICAL | $706.00 | 43498 | 12/12/2019 |
| WEX BANK | CITY FUEL EXPENSES | $769.50 | 43499 | 12/12/2019 |
| IRS - USA TAX PAYMENT | FED/FICA TAX | $2,261.90 | 18213164 | 12/13/2019 |
| TREASURER STATE OF IOWA | STATE TAX | $397.00 | 18213165 | 12/13/2019 |
| Accounts Payable Total |  | $15,225.17 |  |  |
| Payroll Checks |  | $7,941.89 |  |  |
| \*\*\*\*\* REPORT TOTAL \*\*\*\*\* |  | $23,167.06 |  |  |
| GENERAL FUND |  | $13,894.87 |  |  |
| ROAD USE |  | $3,488.95 |  |  |
| EMPLOYEE BENEFIT |  | $822.79 |  |  |
| FEMA FUND #301 LAKE/DAM |  | $397.50 |  |  |
| WATER |  | $2,024.05 |  |  |
| SEWER |  | $2,538.90 |  |  |
| TOTAL FUNDS |  | $23,167.06 |  |  |