

**BELLE PLAINE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 2, 2021**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor Meyer led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. CALL TO ORDER. 2.1. Roll Call.

The Belle Plaine City Council met in Regular Session on Monday, August 2, 2021 at 6:30 PM in the council chambers of City Hall, 218 North Meridian Street, Belle Plaine, MN. Mayor Meyer called the meeting to order with Councilmembers Krings, Coop and Chard present. Councilmember LeMieux was not present.

Also, present were City Administrator Meyer, Community Development Director Smith Strack, Assistant Public Works Superintendent Otto, Finance Director Jirik, City Engineer Duncan and City Attorney Vose. Wanda Savage served as video recording operator.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

MOTION by Councilmember Coop, second by Councilmember Krings, to approve the agenda as presented. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA.

4.1. Regular Session Minutes of July 19, 2021.

4.2. Work Session Minutes of July 19, 2021.

MOTION by Councilmember Coop, Second by Councilmember Krings, to approve the consent agenda as follows: 4.1. Regular Session Minutes of July 19, 2021 and 4.2. Work Session Minutes of July 19, 2021. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

RECOGNITION OF SERVICE

Omni Kiecker – Planning and Zoning 2017-2021

Mayor Meyer recognized Planning and Zoning Commissioner Omni Kicker's service to the City. Kiecker was unable to attend the meeting.

5. DEPARTMENT REPORTS.

5.1. Public Works Report.

Assistant Public Works Superintendent Otto was present. Otto highlighted the public works report and noted the Aquatic Center hours change starting August 16. Otto noted the Aquatic Center will close for the season on Monday, September 6th. Otto explained planned updated continue at the Dog Park at Hickory Park.

5.2. City Engineer Report.

City Engineer Duncan was present. Duncan highlighted the City Engineer report and noted concrete damaged from hail was removed and replaced. Duncan noted temporary turf was installed in the 2021 project and will be removed and seeded this fall pending cooler weather.

Mayor Meyer inquired who oversees the Centerpoint contractor restores boulevards. Assistant Public Works Superintendent Otto explained the contractor works under a general contract and is allowed time for replacement, Otto noted if not done to City standards their check will be held and used to fix the boulevards.

Mayor Meyer inquired if the City will see housing this fall on the approved developments. City Engineer Duncan explained he is unaware of the developer's intent however he believes houses would be able to start this fall.

5.3. Administration Report.

City Administrator Meyer was present. Meyer highlighted the Administration report and noted the active solicitor permits are listed online. Meyer explained updated language regarding solicitors and Mobile Food Units will be brought forward at a future work session. Meyer also noted Right of Way permit language was updated in 2020 to aid in enforcement.

Mayor Meyer requested Chief Stier speak on Nite to Unite festivities. Chief Stier reviewed the two day celebration consisting of Tuesday night neighborhood parties and Wednesday night festivities Downtown including music, food and bounce house at the Downtown Plaza from 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS. None.

7. BUSINESS.

7.1. Presentation of Claims.

7.1.1. Pay Request No. 4, Kuechle Underground, Inc for the 2021 Improvement Project.

7.1.2. Pay Request No. 9, BCM Construction, Inc. for the 2020 Improvement Project.

Councilmember Chard inquired if the punch list items are good for BCM. City Engineer Duncan explained some erosion is occurring on the sledding hill which is being addressed and stated he is not aware of any resident issues. Assistant Public Works Superintendent Otto explained staff are walking the project this week to review punch list items. Chard inquired if any money is still owed after this payment. Duncan explained the retainage is still on hold.

MOTION by Councilmember Coop, second by Councilmember Chard, to approve the Presentation of Claims. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

8. ADMINISTRATION.

8.1. Upcoming Tentative Meetings.

1. EDA, Monday, August 9, 5:00 PM.
2. Planning and Zoning, Monday, August 9, 6:30 PM.
3. Public Safety, Tuesday, August 10, 7:30 AM.
4. Downtown Music and Food, Wednesday, August 11, 4:30 – 8:00 PM.
5. Public Works Committee, Thursday, August 12, 9:00 AM.
6. Parks Commission, Monday, August 16, 5:00 PM.
7. City Council, Monday, August 16, 6:30 PM.
8. Work Session, Monday, August 16, 6:45 PM.
9. Downtown Music and Food, Wednesday, August 25, 4:30 – 8:00 PM.

Mayor Meyer reminded the Council of the upcoming tentative meetings as listed.

9. ADJOURN.

MOTION by Councilmember Coop, second by Councilmember Krings, to adjourn the Regular Session at 6:40 PM. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee Eyrich
Recording Secretary