

**BELLE PLAINE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 17, 2020**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mayor Christopher 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 17, 2020 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 Paul Chard, Patricia Krings and Renee LeMieux present. Councilmember Coop was not present.

Also present were City Administrator Meyer, Community Development Director Smith Strack, Public Works Superintendent Fahey, Interim Police Chief Stier and City Attorney Vose. Community Services Director Koller was present via zoom video conference.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

MOTION by Councilmember LeMieux, 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 August 3, 2020.

4.2. Resolution 20-098 Authorizing the Purchase of Encrypted Portable Radios with CARES Act Funds.

MOTION by Councilmember LeMieux second by Councilmember Chard, to approve the consent agenda as listed: 4.1. Regular Session Minutes of August 3, 2020 and 4.2. Resolution 20-098 Authorizing the Purchase of Encrypted Portable Radios with CARES Act Funds. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

5. LIFE SAVING AWARDS.

Mayor Meyer introduced Dr. Kevin D. Sipprell from Ridgeview Medical Center who presented the life saving pins to the Police, Firefighters and EMT's who aided in a lifesaving event earlier this summer.

Dr. Sipprell explained emergency personnel quickly responded to a call from the Rockman family. Dr. Sipprell noted the quick succession of response, defibrillation and transportation was lifesaving. Dr. Sipprell gave recognition and thanks along with noting the exceptional care Mr. Rockman received which saved his life. Dr. Sipprell thanked the City Council for their commitment to Emergency Services and the Rockman family for allowing their story to be shared.

Mrs. Rockman stepped to the podium and personally thanked the emergency personnel for their work and persistence on her husband, saving his life.

6. DEPARTMENT REPORTS.

6.1. Ambulance Report.

Ambulance Director Sweeney was not present. The Council acknowledged receipt of the Ambulance Report.

6.2. Fire Report.

Fire Chief Otto was not present. The Council acknowledged receipt of the Fire Department Report.

6.3. Police Report.

Interim Police Chief Stier was present. Stier highlighted the Police report and noted complaints regarding noncompliance of the facemask executive order. Stier explained he is reaching out to the State for guidance on mask order complaints.

Mayor Meyer requested clarification on the media reports of break ins. Interim Police Chief Stier explained there has been no uptick in activity and noted one suspicious occurrence but no damage.

6.4. Community Services Director Report.

Community Services Director Koller was present via zoom video conference. Koller highlighted the Community Services Report noting tackle football has been cancelled for the fall.

6.5. Community Development Report.

Community Development Director Smith Strack was present. Smith Strack highlighted the Community Development Report. Smith Strack noted seven grants for rental assistance and businesses assistance have been distributed and funds remain in both accounts. Smith Strack also noted Scott County has funds available through the CARES Act.

7. PUBLIC HEARINGS. NONE.

8. BUSINESS.

8.1. Presentation of Claims.

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

8.2. Resolution 20-097 Providing for the Sale of \$895,000.00 General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds, Series 2020A, for the Purpose of Refunding Current Outstanding EDA Revenue Bonds Series 2012A for Interest Rate Savings.

Finance Director Jirik explained the City's financial advisor reviews bonds annually for cost savings. Jirik explained the City has an opportunity for interest savings by refunding the proposed 2012A Bond for a net savings of \$46,971.00.

Financial Advisor Todd Hagen from Ehlers Associates was present and reviewed the proposed refunding options due to the lower interest rate.

City Administrator Meyer clarified the bond is already financed and the City would just be looking at the Capital Improvement Bond and not the City's overall Capital Plan.

MOTION by Councilmember LeMieux, second by Councilmember Chard, to approve Resolution 20-097 Providing for the Sale of \$895,000.00 General Obligation Capital Improvement Bonds, Series 2020A, for the Purpose of Refunding Current Outstanding EDA Revenue Bonds Series 2012A for Interest Rate Savings. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

9. ADMINISTRATION.

9.1. Upcoming Tentative Meetings.

1. Public Safety Committee, Tuesday, August 18, 7:30 AM.
2. Office Closed in Observance of Labor Day, Monday, September 7.

3. Design Committee, Tuesday, September 8, 5:15 PM.
4. City Council, Tuesday, September 8, 6:30 PM.
5. Work Session, Tuesday, September 8, 6:45 PM.

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

10. ADJOURN.

MOTION by Councilmember Krings, second by Councilmember LeMieux, to adjourn the meeting at 6:55 PM. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee Eyrich
Recording Secretary