

**BELLE PLAINE CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 6, 2022**

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 Tuesday, September 6, 2022 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, Cary Coop, Renee LeMieux and Patricia Krings present.

Also present were City Administrator Meyer, Police Chief Stier, City Engineer Duncan, Public Works Superintendent Otto and Finance Director Jirik. Wanda Savage served as the video recording operator.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

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

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA.

- 4.1. Regular Session Minutes of August 15, 2022.
- 4.2. Budget Work Session Minutes of August 15, 2022.
- 4.3. Special Session Minutes of August 15, 2022.
- 4.4. Approve Large Assembly for Belle Plaine Fire Relief Association for the Pancake Breakfast/Fire Prevention on Saturday, October 15, 2022.
- 4.5. Resolution 22-101 Accepting Donation from Midwest Fire Equipment for \$1,000.00.

MOTION by Councilmember Coop, second by Councilmember LeMieux, to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: 4.1. Regular Session Minutes of August 15, 2022; 4.2. Budget Work Session Minutes of August 15, 2022; 4.3. Special Session Minutes of August 15, 2022; 4.4. Approve Large Assembly for Belle Plaine Fire Relief Association for the Pancake Breakfast/Fire Prevention on Saturday, October 15, 2022 and 4.5. Resolution 22-101 Accepting Donation from Midwest Fire Equipment for \$1,000.00. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

5. DEPARTMENT REPORTS.

5.1. Public Works Report.

Public Works Superintendent Otto was present. Otto highlighted the Public Works Report and noted Fountain Park Playground equipment is installed, Movie Night at Fountain Park will be held September 9 and Downtown Music and Food Truck Finale will be September 23. Otto explained Townsend Park fountain is not running, as the pump needs to be replaced, Otto noted the pump is a cost of \$2,000 and will be replaced in the spring.

Mayor Meyer commented the Aquatic Center closed for the season. Public Works Superintendent Otto confirmed the Aquatic Center had a fantastic season noting maintenance and winterizing preparations have begun.

5.2. City Engineer Report.

City Engineer Duncan was present. Duncan highlighted the City Engineer Report and noted the once final design for the proposed 2023 Improvement Project is complete it will be sent to Scott County for review

and comment. Duncan explained after Scott County comments have been included the final Design will go to MN Dot and is expected to be there for review by October.

5.3. Administration Report.

City Administrator Meyer was present. Meyer highlighted the Administration Report and noted Council will discuss the 2023 Budget with the updates received from Scott County. Meyer explained additional information will be sent to residents on the City budget once determined. Meyer explained THC sales will be reviewed during work session. Meyer noted Scott County published the EAW for mining, which can be found on Scott County's website and noted the public is able to reach out to the County or City staff for questions or concerns.

Mayor Meyer inquired from Police Chief Stier if any officers were on duty at the Scott County Fair. Chief Stier said no Belle Plaine Police Officers served at the Scott County Fair. Meyer inquired if Chief Stier could release any information on the accident by the Candy Barn. Chief Stier explained the Belle Plaine Police Department did not respond but the Belle Plaine Fire Department did.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS. None Scheduled.

7. BUSINESS.

7.1. Presentation of Claims.

- 7.1.1. Pay Request No. 12 (Final) to BCM Construction, Inc., for the 2020 Improvement Project.
- 7.1.2. Pay Request No. 3 to BCM Construction, Inc, for Chatfield Commercial Park.

Councilmember Chard inquired on the Lano equipment skid loader charge. Finance Director Jirik explained the charge was authorized last year. Chard inquired on the page 9 charge for the rental noting the steep rental price. Public Works Superintendent Otto explained the two skid loaders were needed at the same time.

Councilmember Coop inquired if wages for the video recording operator have been increased recently. City Administrator Meyer explained the stipend was increased two years ago.

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

7.2. Resolution 22-102 Award the Bid of \$168,290.00 for the 2022 Sealing of Well No. 1 and Drilling of Two Test Wells.

City Administrator Meyer explained the 2022 sealing of Well No. 1 and Drilling for two test wells has been discussed at Public Works Committee. Meyer explained the State requires Cities to seal any well that is not being used. Meyer explained Well No 1 has been used as an Emergency back up in the past and the time has come to look at where the City's next well will be. Meyer noted staff have determined two test well sites, one being in Prairie Park and the other being near Public Works. Meyer explained staff received bid/quotes and the apparent low bid/quote is Mineral Services and noted the staff recommendation letter was included in the packet.

Councilmember Coop inquired what is involved to seal the well. Public Works Superintendent Otto explained a concrete mixture would be placed to seal the well from the bottom to the distribution line where the well is capped. Coop inquired where the well is at Prairie Park. Otto explained the current well is housed in the building.

Mayor Meyer inquired on the building demo. City Administrator Meyer explained currently the proposed buildings to be tore down are being tested for hazardous material. Meyer inquired from City Engineer Duncan if the cost is reasonable. City Engineer Duncan explained prices are running high overall and

noted two bid/quotes came in close out of the four requested. Duncan explained Traut has a dual method which is not warranted at this point. Duncan explained as will all drilling things come up and it is important to have contingencies for issues during the drilling process.

MOTION by Councilmember Coop, second by Councilmember Chard to approve Resolution 22-102 Award the Bid of \$168,290.00 for the 2022 Sealing of Well No. 1 and Drilling of Two Test Wells. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

8. ADMINISTRATION.

8.1. Upcoming Tentative Meetings.

1. Public Works, 9:00 AM, Thursday, September 8.
2. 33rd Annual Clean Up Day, 8:00 AM – 12:00 PM, Saturday, September 10.
3. EDA, 5:00 PM, Monday, September 12.
4. Planning, 6:30 PM, Monday, September 12.
5. Public Safety, 7:30 AM, Tuesday, September 13.
6. City Council, 6:30 PM, Monday, September 19.
7. Work Session, 6:45 PM, Monday, September 19.
8. Food Truck and Music Finale, 4:30 – 8:00 PM, Friday, September 23.

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

9. ADJOURN.

MOTION by Councilmember LeMieux, second by Councilmember Krings, to adjourn the regular session at 6:46 PM. ALL VOTED AYE. MOTION CARRIED.

Respectfully submitted,

Renee Eyrich
Recording Secretary