Mayor Fred Froehlich called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on April 12, 2021 in the Council Chambers.

Members and guests sited the words to the Pledge of Allegiance.

In addition to Mayor Froehlich; Councilmembers: Mary Wels, Matthew Anthony, Jim Anderson and Thomas Rieke were present. Others in attendance included Vanessa Drill, Darin Drill, Alesia Slater, Darin Haslip, Jerry Salfer, Del Vulcan and Dale Lange (*American Legion*) and Karen Fluegge (*Ledger*).

*The agenda was approved on a motion which was made J. Anderson, which was seconded by M. Wels, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

*The minutes of the Regular March 8, 2021 meeting were approved on a motion which was made by M. Wels,*

*which was seconded by T. Rieke, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

*The bills totaling $62,136.65 were approved on a motion which was made by J. Anderson, which was seconded by T. Rieke and which carried with all voting in favor.*

Alesia Slater with Nicollet Chamber and Cruisn’ on Pine & 99 was present to discuss this year’s Crusin’ on Pine & 99 events. The event starts May 13 and will be held every other week. This year is the 5-year anniversary of the event and the group is looking to have a band June 17. The band will be in a trailer located on the Nicollet Elevator lot next to Performance Diesel from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. The group would like to have that block of Pine Street closed off for the event. Council didn’t see an issue with this request. Slater also noted there will be a community meeting with the businesses regarding the Crusin’ on Pine events held April 28 @ 5:30 in the city shop.

Darin Haslip an independent building inspector was also present to give a brief history of his background of building inspecting services. The city’s contract with the city of St Peter is in need of being renewed. Before renewing the contract the city is looking at another option. Froehlich and Anderson will have a meeting with Haslip prior to the next council meeting.

Jerry Salfer a resident came before council just informing them that he is looking at putting up another twin home on a lot in the Nicollet Coves development. Council stated as long as Salfer stays within the requirements of the zoning of an R-1 there will be no problems however, it was noted if Salfer were to sell off one side of twin home a parcel split would be required and council would need to approve the split.

Del Vulcan and Dale Lange were present to discuss Friendship Days 2021. Vulcan said that there will be no carnival this year and there will be bands, bean bag tournaments and parade on Sunday. Vulcan asked to use the city garage for food. Mayor Froehlich stated that the Legion would need to comply with all applicable laws and Governors Orders regarding COVID for the celebration.

Maintenance is working on signs regarding picking up after dogs around town.

Rieke stated he would like to see the city get speed signs along Highway 111. Mayor Froehlich noted that they are not in the budget nor the 5-year plan.

The council requested that temporary garage ports with paper type sides and metal containers be added as not permitted use to the utility structure definition of the zoning ordinance. The clerk will work with the city attorney to create an amendment to the ordinance.

Mayor Froehlich would like to have the MN Council of Governments assist with getting a grant for a trail along the south side of the Mara Tonka Pond.

*Waiving the monetary limits on municipal tort liability was approved on a motion which was made by F. Froehlich, which was seconded by J. Anderson, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

*A request adding pull tabs to the LG220 Application for June 20, 2021 that was previously approved for the American Legion and a LG220 permit for a Bingo Event on May 15, 2021 was approved on a motion which was made by M. Anthony, which was seconded by M. Wels, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

Frontline Warning Sirens service contract agreement in the amount of $738.00 was tabled until further research is completed.

No action was taken on the request from the Small Business Development Center in the amount of $1,000.

Reminders of the upcoming, meetings were noted:

1. May 10, 2021, 6:00 pm, Regular Meeting, Monday
2. June 14, 2021, 6:00 pm, Regular Meeting, Monday

*The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m., which was approved on a motion made by J. Anderson, which was seconded by M. Wels, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

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Vanessa Drill, City Clerk/Treasurer