Mayor Fred Froehlich called the Public Hearing of the Nicollet City Council to order at 6:00 p.m., in the city maintenance garage on September 14, 2020.

In addition to Mayor Froehlich; Councilmembers: Mary Wels, Matthew Anthony, Tom Rieke and Jim Anderson were present. Others in attendance included Vanessa Drill, Darin Drill, Joe Duncan and Jane Kansier(*Bolton and Menk*) and Karen Fluegge(*Ledger*).

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

The purpose of the public hearing was to consider a preliminary plat to be known as South Side Commercial, consisting of 1.88 acres to be subdivided into one lot for commercial use and the right-of-way for the extension of 9th Street. The property is located on the west side of TH 111 (461st Ave.) south of 8th Avenue and north of Highway 14.

Jane Kansier with Bolton and Menk stated the existing conditions and proposed development. In conclusion, the developer will be responsible for the installation of all roads and public utilities. There are some conditions that will be addressed prior to final approval of the plat: 1) MNDOT comments must be addressed, 2) the developer must enter into a development agreement and 3) changes to the final plat.

*With no further discussion the preliminary plat will be tabled until MNDOT has made comments and the developer agreement is signed which was approved on a motion by M. Wels, which was seconded by J. Anderson, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

*The public hearing was adjourned at 6:12 pm and the regular meeting was called to order which was approved on a motion made by J. Anderson, which was seconded by M. Anthony and which carried with all voting favor.*

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

*The minutes of the regular August 10, 2020 meeting were approved on a motion which was made by*

*M. Anthony, which was seconded by J. Anderson, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

*The bills totaling $119,592.73 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.*

Joe Duncan with Bolton and Menk discussed the proposed development agreement with Ratcliff Development and stated that he has been in contact with the city attorney.

The Clerk:

1. Stated at the August 10 meeting, the DMI payment request presented should’ve been number 6 instead of number 5
2. The city received $85,888 in CARES act money that is to be spent on items that weren’t budgeted for due to the coronavirus. The dollars are to be spent by November 15 and the remaining amount will be sent to the county. Clerk reported that monthly reports are to be sent to the state of Minnesota on the dollars spent.
3. Requested a $2.00 increase for election judges for 2020 elections
4. Requested a special meeting on the 2021 Prelim Levy and Budget

Council discussed the CARES Act money. The clerk requested face shields for council and election judges, extra pens and sanitzing items, stantion posts for elections in order to maintain social distancing. Also requested an expense for an option for the clerk to remote into her computer to work from home, requested 2 new monitors for maintenance with a camera and speaker in order to be involved in Zoom meetings. Maintenance requested a cellular monitoring system to have the water treatment plant and lift stations setup in order to read daily numbers. Mayor Froehlich suggested a new vehicle in order for the maintenance personnel to be separate every day when completing daily duties. After a discussion council authorized the clerk’s request and stated to maintenance to get quotes on a vehicle and the cellular monitoring system and bring to the next council meeting.

*Increasing the election judge wage from $10 to $12/per hour retroactive to the primary election in August was approved on a motion which was made by J. Anderson, which was seconded by M. Wels, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

A special meeting was set for the 2021 prelim levy and budget for Monday, September 28, 2020 at 5:00 pm.

*A snow pusher in the amount of $3,950 was approved on a motion which was made by M. Wels, which was seconded by J. Anderson, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

Mayor Froehlich shared his report from his attendance at the Nicollet Rural City Fire Association Joint Powers Board.

Councilmember Wels received a concern from a resident along Hwy 111 about a manhole that was part of the TH111 project.

*Adopting the Nicollet County Ordinance relating to the designation and registration of potentially dangerous dogs and dangerous dogs 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.*

*Memorandum of Understanding between City of Nicollet and Nicollet County relating to dangerous and potentially dangerous dogs and the process and procedure governing the designation and registration of dogs county ordinance 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.*

*Membership to the Coalition of Greater MN Cities for 2021 was approved on a motion which was made by. J. Anderson, which was seconded by M. Wels and which carried with all voting in favor.*

*Nicollet Fire Relief Association benefit level to remain at $2,600 per year of service with $0.00 required from the city with a deferred interest rate of 2% on retirement benefits was approved on a motion which was made by M. Wels, which was seconded by T. Rieke, and which carried with all voting favor*.

*The following building and zoning permits were approved on a motion which was made by M. Anthony, which was seconded by M. Wels, and which carried with all voting in favor:*

*Building and Zoning Permits:*

*1) Habitat for Humanity, 716 Elwood Ct., New Construction, $150,000*

*2) Terry Otto, 803 3rd St., Re-roof, $8,000*

*Zoning Permit:*

*1) Habitat for Humanity, 716 Elwood Ct., New Construction, $150,000*

Reminders of the upcoming, meetings were noted:

1. September 28, 2020, 5:00 pm, Special Meeting, 2021 Prelim and Budget, Monday
2. October 12, 2020, 6:00 pm, Regular Meeting, Monday

*With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:13 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