

MINUTES
CITY OF THORP REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 9, 2018 AT 6:30PM
IN THORP CITY HALL

1. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

The meeting was called to order at 6:30pm. In attendance were Mayor Stroinski; Alderpersons Maslowski, Lawcewicz, Rosemeyer, and Wnek; Deputy Clerk-Treasurer Pogodzinski; Police Chief Schneider; DPW McCredden; Library Director Beloungy; and City Administrator Reeg. Alderperson Abramczak was absent.

PUBLIC HEARING

2. Public Hearing on Special Assessment for Water & Sewer Replacement on W. Main and N. Adams Streets

a. Open Public Hearing

Mayor Stroinski opened the public hearing.

b. Project Information/Background

Reeg gave an overview of the project and expected special assessment costs.

c. Public Commentary

A few questions were fielded from the following attendees/registrants: Phil Copus, Daniel Slowiak, Gail Jasmer, Damian & Lena Messing, and Jane Wilczek.

d. Close Public Hearing

M/M/S (Lawcewicz, Maslowski) to close the public hearing. Carried unanimously.

ROUTINE BUSINESS

3. Comments and suggestions from pre-registered citizens

None.

4. Consent Agenda—The City Council, with a single vote and without debate, may act upon the following items. Any council member wishing to debate an individual item may request that it be considered separately

a. Approval of minutes from March 12, 2018 Regular City Council meeting

b. Approval of Operator's License for Lindsay R. Bare

c. Approval of Operator's License for Ashley A. Gillett

d. Approval of Operator's License for Kaitlin M. Williams\

M/M/S (Wnek, Rosemeyer) to approve the consent agenda. Carried unanimously.

5. Discussion and possible action relating to monthly reports:

a. Administrator's Report, Financial Report, Vouchers, Payroll Register & Journal Entries

M/M/S (Wnek, Lawcewicz) to approve all as presented. Carried unanimously.

b. Police Department monthly report

Schneider reported ~80 cases in the month of March. No action taken.

c. Public Works/Utilities monthly report; approval of monthly budget allocation

M/M/S (Rosemeyer, Lawcewicz) to approve the monthly allocation of \$26,040. Carried unanimously.

d. Library monthly report

Nothing in addition to the monthly report.

e. Reports from various committees

Reeg noted the Sustainability Committee and Tree Board were holding a joint Arbor Day/Sustainability Day on Friday April 27.

- f. Reports from elected officials
None.

OLD BUSINESS

6. Quarterly update on Odor Response Plan from Holland's Family Cheese
Kim Bremmer was on hand for the quarterly report. As expected, complaints in the first quarter were modest. April was starting off similar to April of 2017. She noted spring manure hauling was tentatively scheduled for May, but weather dependent.
7. Discussion and possible action to award bid for 2018 Street & Utilities Improvement Project
Alderson Maslowski inquired about why we lump streets together for special assessments. She also inquired about the root of difference between engineering costs estimates and actual bid prices. M/M/S (Wnek, Rosemeyer) to award the bid to Haas Sons Inc. for \$615,190.70. Carried by unanimous roll call vote.
8. Resolution 2018-04-1 "Final Resolution in Accordance with Wisconsin Statute Section 66.0703 Authorizing the Levying of a Special Assessment Against Benefitted Properties in the 2018 W. Main and N. Adams Water & Sewer Utility Assessment District"
M/M/S (Rosemeyer, Lawcewicz) to adopt the resolution. Carried unanimously.
9. Resolution 2018-04-2 "Resolution Approving Pay Application #8 from Haas Sons Inc. for 2017 Street & Utility Improvement Project"
M/M/S (Wnek, Maslowski) to adopt the resolution. Carried unanimously.
10. Discussion and possible action relating to claim for relocation expenses related to S. Adams St. bridge project
M/M/S (Wnek, Maslowski) to approve payment of \$5600 per recommendation of the city's consultant. Carried unanimously.
11. Discussion and possible action relating to I&I mitigation including
- a. Sewer lateral replacement requirements
Reeg provided two sample ordinances from other communities. Some discussion ensued. It was agreed by general consensus to consider an ordinance at a future meeting, but after this year's construction project as it was late to add a sewer lateral replacement requirement this year.
 - b. Sewer televising bids
Three bids had been received with the lowest being from Flow-Rite Pipe & Sewer Services at \$1.10 per foot.
M/M/S (Wnek, Maslowski) to award the bid to Flow-Rite. Carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

12. Discussion and possible action relating to possible establishment of an unemployment compensation reserve fund
Reeg noted that while unemployment claims were not common for the city, when they did occur they could sometimes have significant impacts on operating budgets (like this year). It was agreed by general consensus to establish a fund during the next budget cycle.
13. Discussion and possible action relating to blacktop bids
One bid was received from Senn Blacktop.
M/M/S (Lawcewicz, Rosemeyer) to award to Senn. Carried unanimously.

14. Discussion and possible action relating to concrete bids
Two bids were received, with the lowest being from Area Wide Concrete. After inquiry, McCredden indicated that he felt the issues encountered with them last year would not be duplicated, especially with them using Haas concrete.
M/M/S (Lawcewicz, Wnek) to award to Area Wide. Carried unanimously.
15. Discussion and possible action relating to request for fireworks donation from Thorp Area Chamber of Commerce
M/M/S (Maslowski, Rosemeyer) to approve a \$1000 contribution. Carried unanimously.
16. Discussion and possible action relating to Thorp Aquatic Center including:
 - a. Revised pool compensation plan
M/M/S (Lawcewicz, Rosemeyer) to approve the compensation plan. Carried on a 3-1 vote with Alderperson Maslowski voting no (A copy of the plan will be attached to the official minutes)
 - b. Adjustment to fees for pool passes
M/M/S (Rosemeyer, Maslowski) to increase the individual pool pass fees to \$40 for residents and \$55 for non-residents. Carried unanimously.
 - c. Repairs to pool slide
M/M/S (Rosemeyer, Wnek) to approve \$2252.50 from the Swim Pool Mechanical Reserve for slide repairs. Carried unanimously.
 - d. Cleaning and maintenance of pool slide
It was agreed by general consensus decline the proposed pressure washing at this time.
17. Discussion and possible action relating to Equipment Committee recommendations including:
 - a. Disposal of bucket truck and procurement of skidsteer scissor lift
M/M/S (Rosemeyer, Lawcewicz) to approve getting bids for a skidsteer scissor lift. Carried unanimously.
 - b. Disposal of 2016 Ford F150 and procurement of van
M/M/S (Rosemeyer, Lawcewicz) to approve to acquisition of the 2017 Dodge Ram Promaster van from Chilson and to trade in the 2016 Ford F150. Carried unanimously.
 - c. Contracting out of street sweeping services
M/M/S (Lawcewicz, Maslowski) to contract out with Whirlwind for 1 full sweeping in spring and fall. Carried unanimously.
18. Resolution 2018-04-3 “Resolution Authorizing the Disposal of Surplus Property”
M/M/S (Maslowski, Wnek) to adopt the resolution. Carried unanimously.
M/M/S (Rosemeyer, Lawcewicz) to allocated funds from the sale of the mower, pump, and old broom towards the cost of the new skidsteer broom. Carried unanimously.
19. Discussion and possible action relating to arrears billing for quarterly service charges for water and sewer utilities
M/M/S (Lawcewicz, Maslowski) to back-bill for water per PSC requirements, but not to back-bill for sewer but to begin the new rates on the next billings. Carried unanimously.
20. Discussion and possible action relating to potential transfer of public fire protection fee from levy to utility bills
It was agreed by general consensus to review this again later with additional data.

CLOSING BUSINESS

21. Comments and suggestions from pre-registered citizens

Marie Karaba, Jeanette Kodl and John Humphries gave a brief update on the school renovation project on behalf of the Thorp School District.

22. Reports from Department Heads, Mayor, Council, Committees, and discussion of future agenda items

Aldersperson Lawcewicz noted that he had received another inquiry on cemetery lots. Reeg would contact the person.

23. Adjournment

M/M/S (Lawcewicz, Rosemeyer) to adjourn at 9:13pm. Carried unanimously.

Date of Publication

Ray Stroinski
Mayor

Randall D. Reeg
Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer