

CITY OF WACONIA
January 22, 2019

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Waconia was called to order by Mayor Sanborn at 6:00 p.m. The following members were present: Jim Sanborn, Kent Bloudek, Nicole Waldron, Marc Carrier, Charles Erickson.

Staff Present: Susan Arntz, Lane Braaten, Craig Eldred, Ann Meyerhoff, Mike Melchert, Nicole Meyer, Jackie Schwerm.

Visitors: Cary Sommer, Al Lohman.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Sanborn.

ADOPT AGENDA: Motion by Erickson, seconded by Waldron to adopt the agenda as presented. All present voted aye. **MOTION CARRIED.**

VISTOR'S PRESENTATION: None

ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

- 1) Approve January 7, 2019 City Council Meeting Minutes.
- 2) Authorize Payment of January 22, 2019 Expenditures.
- 3) Motion to Approve Request for Lodging Tax Reimbursement.
- 4) Motion to Approve Rink Management Corporation Expenditures for Waconia Ice Arena Incurred in December 2018.
- 5) Motion to Approve Rink Management Corporation Expenditures for Safari Island Community Center Incurred in December 2018.
- 6) Motion Authorizing Application for Macy's District Grant.
- 7) Motion to Authorize Use of Streets/Trails/Parking Lot for Don't Worry Be Hoppy 5k and Kids Run, April 13, 2019.
- 8) Motion to Allow Use of Streets for Frunge Festival for Children's Grief Connection.
- 9) Motion to Adopt Job Description for Maintenance Worker – Utilities & Authorize Recruitment.
- 10) Motion to Adopt Job Description for Maintenance Worker – Parks & Authorize Recruitment.
- 11) Adopt Resolution No. 2019-23, Approving Temporary On-Sale Liquor License Application for St Joseph Church.
- 12) Adopt Resolution No. 2019-24, Approving Premises Permit Application for Lawful Gambling Activity, Waconia Lions Club.
- 13) Adopt Resolution No. 2019-25, Approving Amusement Permit Garage Bar & Bowl.
- 14) Adopt Resolution No. 2019-26, Accepting Cash Donation for Adaptive Playground.
- 15) Adopt Resolution No. 2019-27, Accepting Grant Proceeds from Carver County Environmental Services for 2018 Solid Waste Grant.
- 16) Adopt Resolution No. 2019-28, Authorizing Public Services Director to Apply for Outdoor Recreation Grant Funds from the Department of Natural Resources.
- 17) Adopt Resolution No. 2019-29, Authorizing Purchase of Turf Mowing Equipment from Lano Equipment in the amount of \$14,126.48.
- 18) Adopt Resolution No. 2019-30, Authorizing Purchase of Personal Property held by Eugene E & Carol A Wolter and Robert & Shelah J. Burandt.
- 19) Adopt Resolution No. 2019-31, Approving the 2018 Pay Equity Report.

Motion by Bloudek, seconded by Carrier to Adopt the Consent Agenda as presented. All present voted aye. **MOTION CARRIED.**

COUCIL BUSINESS: 2019 Legislative Priorities: Susan Arntz explained that the Council had a copy of the draft 2019 Legislative Priorities for the City. These are issues that will be followed closely and the positions of the City Council will be shared with the public and our local legislators.

This list is not intended to be comprehensive of all issues of importance for the community, but a list of priorities for the organization.

During the session, other issues may arise that require the City's attention. In those situations, the Staff and Council will consider its approach or response to the issue on a case by case basis. There likely will be issues

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where we can share experience to lend value to the discussion and will want to provide that input. The Council should discuss whether they wish to testify on behalf of the City vs. individual members testifying on their own, representing the City's perspective.

Arntz also stated that there were some edits and walked the Council through them.

Motion by Carrier, seconded by Erickson to Adopt 2019 Legislative Priorities. All present voted aye. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Appointment of Fire Chief: Arntz stated that the City of Waconia recently completed recruitment for the position of Fire Chief. Upon review of the candidates, The City Council directed staff to extend an offer to Christopher Nelson to fill the role of Fire Chief.

Christopher has over 25 years of experience in the Fire Service, most recently as the Fire Chief for US Steel Minnesota Ore Operations. He is looking forward to returning to the metro area and serving in a Fire Chief role in a town with a community feel.

Christopher's first day will be Monday, February 11. His appointment is conditional on the successful completion and City's evaluation of the physical exam, which Chris took on Friday, January 18.

Motion by Carrier, seconded by Waldron to Adopt Resolution No. 2019-32, Appointing Christopher Nelson as Fire Chief. All presented voted aye. **MOTION CARRIED.**

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA: None

STAFF REPORTS: Susan Arntz reported that the Inclusive Playground Taskforce had their first meeting last week and was engaging and went very well. Working with Flagship Recreation.

BOARD REPORTS:

Councilmember Erickson – None

Councilmember Bloudek – Welcome to Nicole Waldron

Councilmember Carrier – Attended the first School Board meeting of the year.

Councilmember Waldron – Attended Carver County Leaders this morning.

Mayor Sanborn – Attended the Park Board meeting last Thursday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Winter Parking is in effect.

Motion by Sanborn, seconded by Carrier to recess the regular City Council meeting at 6:18 p.m. to meet in closed session pursuant to Minn. Stat. 13D.05, subd. 3(b) to discuss status and strategy regarding the case of Waconia v. Dock, Carver County District Court, File 10-cv-17-678.

ADJOURN: Motion by Carrier, seconded by Bloudek to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 p.m. All presented voted aye.

James P Sanborn, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Ann Meyerhoff, Office Assistant