

City of Preston

Regular City Council Meeting

October 25, 2021

Mayor Tyler Sieverding called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

ROLL CALL Present: Richard Petersen, Adam Reuter, Matt Gerardy, JT Thomson, Matt Petersen.

OTHERS PRESENT: Lauri Isaacson and Tom Westhoff, WPPI; City Administrator Teresa Weinschenk.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: A motion was made to approve the agenda as presented by M. Petersen.

Seconded by M. Gerardy. Motion carried.

CITIZEN/PUBLIC COMMENTS: None.

CONSENT AGENDA: Motion was made by A. Reuter to approve the consent agenda as presented. R.

Petersen seconded. Motion carried. Approval of 10/11/21 City Council Meeting Minutes.

WPPI PRESENTATION: Lauri Isaacson, Vice President of WPPI Member Relations, and Preston's wholesale electric supplier, presented information to the Mayor and Council. Isaacson shared the Public Power Advantage and how WPPI works for the 51 members. Preston, Maquoketa and Independence are the three Iowa members. Teresa Weinschenk serves on the Board of Directors and Ray Ernst is the alternate for WPPI. Partnering through WPPI helps preserve and enhance the local value of Preston's Electric Utility.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 2021-03, AMENDING AND REPLACING TITLE VI PHYSICAL ENVIRONMENT; CHAPTER 15 FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT: JT Thomson made a motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance 2021-03. M. Gerardy seconded the motion. Ayes: JT, RP, MP, MG, AR. Nays: 0. Motion carried.

MARVIN ADDITION: Mayor Sieverding updated Council on the progress at the Marvin Addition. The trenching for utilities is done. Now they will be pulling wire through. Street lights will be installed. The paving contractor will be paving tomorrow, Tuesday 10/26. Michael Busch will be onsite to assure that it is done properly and if it is too wet, that they stop. They will be paving the side streets.

UPDATE ON PROPOSAL FOR GEOTECHNICAL ENGINEERING SERVICES: Mayor Sieverding updated Council on the proposal for the Sponsored Project. Marc Ruden, Origin Design informed Mayor Sieverding that Preston did not need to do this if they are not concerned with the retention pond holding water. It is the consensus of the Council that it was designed to be a retention pond, so if it doesn't hold water that is fine. JT Thomson stated that if it does hold water, it would be a bonus. Council agreed not to contract with Terracon.

OTHER BUSINESS: T. Weinschenk was at the IMFOA Conference in Des Moines on Thursday and Friday (10/21 & 22). There were discussions on Council Orientation by Pat Callahan, Ted Nielsen from the Department of Management discussed the reports that are due December 1, along with budget amendments and starting the budget and the timeline. There were also discussions on the American Rescue Plan dollars and how cities are going to be spending the funding.

ELECTRIC OPEN HOUSE: T. Weinschenk stated that Tom Westhoff from WPPI would be available on Wednesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> for the Electric Plant open house. The Easton Valley K-2 children would tour the plant at 12:30 pm. The plant would be open to the public 3pm-6pm. Cookies and lemonade will be provided.

CAMERAS: JT Thomson asked if all the cameras have been installed. T. Weinschenk stated that yes, all the cameras have been installed and are in operation.

STREET BY AMBULANCE SHED: JT Thomson stated that it was brought to his attention that the street by the ambulance shed needs some attention. T. Weinschenk stated that she will get with David Michel and see what can be done.

Mayor Sieverding requested a motion to adjourn. Motion made by M. Petersen. Seconded by R. Petersen. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

  
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Mayor Tyler Sieverding

ATTEST:

  
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Teresa Weinschenk, City Clerk/Administrator