

City of Bayfield Common Council

Minutes of June 2, 2020

Call to Order – Roll Call – Pledge of Allegiance

Council President Cirillo called the meeting to order at 4:04 p.m. at the Bayfield City Hall and remotely.

Present: Bryan, Burkel, Carrier and President Cirillo

Absent: Mayor Ringberg

Others: Kate Kitchell, Mike Eldred, Chamber Director Eades, Diane Fizell, Paul Swansen, Nancy Trapp,

Staff: PWD Kovachevich, Chief Fangman, Treasurer Johnston, Office Assistant Mather,
Library Director Nelson, and Clerk Hoopman

Review/Approve Agenda: Bryan/Burkel moved to approve. Carried.

Review/Approve the Common Council minutes of May 20, 2020: Brian/Carrier motioned to approve. Carried.

Public Input on Agenda Items: Kate Kitchell, chair of the Parks and Recreation Committee, said she is in favor of continuing remote meetings for the foreseeable future.

Agenda

1. **Covid-19: City of Bayfield “Ready and Open”**

- **Bayfield Carnegie Library – Comments and Concerns from Director Blair Nelson**

Director Nelson informed the Council they are planning for their soft opening on June 16, 2020 and have plans to fully open on July 6, 2020. They are making a few changes inside the facility to meet social distancing guidelines. During the soft opening they will have limited hours and will be providing curbside service on two days and in-person service two days a week.

- **City Policies/Guidelines: Parks, Beaches, Restrooms, Campground, and Pavilion**

The Council was provided the minutes and updates from the Sub-Committees Meeting. In summary:

- a. Parks and Beaches will be open – Signs about safety and social distancing will be put up.
- b. Restrooms – two stalls were opened in the East Dock Restrooms, and one was opened at the Boat Ramp. A seasonal employee will be cleaning them Fridays-Mondays and our crew will clean on the remaining days. Signs about safety and social distancing will be put up.
- c. The Dalrymple Campground was opened last weekend. Signs about safety and social distancing will be put up.
- d. The Pavilion will be used with the understanding CDC guidelines must be followed.
- e. The committee will be meeting again on June 15, 2020 at 7:30am to reevaluate/review these decisions and others if needed.

- **City of Bayfield 2020 and Future Budget Issues**

The Council was reminded about the budget issues and was given some basic information on levy limit increases and the referendum process. Carrier discussed considering alternative ways to increase revenues, like installing parking meters. All agreed we have significant budget issues and they need to discuss more at all foreseeable meetings. The likelihood of proceeding with a referendum in November to increase the levy was extremely high.

- **Covid-19 Employee Policy**

A draft policy was given to the Council for review. They asked staff to return to them with questions about how they would like us to proceed.

2. **Agreement between the Army Corps of Engineers and City of Bayfield for the design and construction of the Apostle Island Marina Breakwater Improvement Project (Section 154 Grant)**

This will be placed on a future agenda since the agreement has not been received.

3. **Volunteer Fire Department - USDA Rural Development Grant**

The Council was informed about a grant the Bayfield Volunteer Fire Department is seeking. The overall project cost is \$87,488 and includes funding for dive gear, an extractor and generator for the Fire Hall. The grant amount is \$48,100 and the Department's match is \$39,388.

Bryan/Cirillo made a motion to approve the submittal and acceptance of fund if approved by USDA. Motion carried, all ayes.

4. **2020 City of Bayfield Alcohol, Coin, Tobacco and Servers Licenses – Review and Approve**

Bryan/Burkel moved to approve the applications as submitted, but with the understanding the front lawn-picnic tables outside noted on Greunke's Application would have to be fenced off in a manner that meets City Ordinances/Codes. This is consistent with previous decisions made about outdoor alcohol sale areas. Passed by voice vote; Cirillo abstained.

Discussion ensued about how we can help businesses to be "ready and open". The Council asked if this topic can be included on future Sub-Committee agendas. Understanding a one-size fits all may not work, they are open to receiving comments or requests from individual business.

5. **Library Board Appointment:** No action.

Next Mtgs.

June 17, 2020 – Reg. Council Mtg.

July 15, 2020 – Reg. Council Mtg.

Adjournment

Burkel/Bryan moved to adjourn. Carried.

Minutes by Billie L. Hoopman, Clerk