

City of Bayfield Special Common Council Meeting

Minutes of Thursday, July 23, 2020, 5:30 p.m.

Call to Order – Roll Call – Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Ringberg called the virtual meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Present: Cirillo, Bryan, Burkel, Carrier and Mayor Ringberg

Others: Clerk Hoopman, Treasurer Johnston, Chief Fangman

Review/Approve Agenda: Bryan/Burkel moved to approve the agenda as presented. Carried.

Review/Approve the Common Council minutes of July 15, 2020: Cirillo/Burkel made a motion to approve the previous meeting minutes as presented. Carried.

Public Input on Agenda Items: None.

Agenda

1. 2020-2021 Budget Discussion

- a. Review Current Fees Schedule:** A copy of Resolution #544 was provided to the Councilors for review. It was the most recent list of fees for the City. Some discussion ensued. It was agreed all Committees should be asked to review their fees to make sure the amounts are still appropriate.
- b. Insurance - Statement of Values, Property in the Open and Contractors Equipment:** The Council received a copy of the City's current Statement of Values which shows all the City property, property in the open, contractor's equipment and vehicles owned and insured by the City.
- c. 2021 Budget Information:** Each year the budget work begins a memo is sent to Department Supervisor's and Committee Chair's along with a proposed meeting schedule. These documents were provided to the Council for review. Committee's will be asked to place 2021 Budget/CIPs on their future agendas. Requests are due September 4, 2020.
- d. Discuss Budget and Understanding of Issues:** Discussion ensued. Hoopman told the Council our current budget will be better than predicted in May since the ruling to stay closed immediately changed. We seem to be having a busy summer and it is likely our Room Tax, Premier Resort, Park and Harbor Revenues will be much higher than we first thought when everything was shut down. However, she reminded them we had serious budget problems well before Covid-19 hit.

Councilor's expressed concern about going to referendum. They do not believe the public will have enough time to understand all the issue and will not want to see their taxes go up arbitrary. They brainstorm other options and noted the following possibilities: stand-by fees, wheel-tax, dissolving the City, annexation, and parking fees/meters.

Covid-19 Issues:

- Some passersby have noted folks not social distancing while at restaurants or wearing masks when not actively eating or drinking.
- Additionally, City Hall has received a few complaints about the Postal Service Employees not wearing masks. Hoopman called to inquire and they mentioned they were looking into face shields.
- All agreed restructuring the Emergency Parks and Public Works Sub-Committee into the Covid-19 Committee made sense. This will be discussed further by the Committee at their meeting on Monday. Adding a physician to the group was mentioned

**Next Mtgs. Special Budget Meeting, August 6, 2020, 5:30 p.m.
Regular Meeting, August 19, 2020, 5:30 p.m.**

Adjournment: Burkel/Cirillo moved to adjourn. 7:05 p.m.

Minutes by Billie L. Hoopman, Clerk