

City of Lodi
Common Council Meeting
Minutes –March 1, 2023

Present: Alderpersons Stevenson, Goethel, Ripp (virtual), Strasser (virtual), Mayor Groves Lloyd

Excused: Alder Tonn and Hansen

Staff Present: Brenda Ayers, James Lincoln, Chief Smith, Lieutenant Nichols, Melissa Randall O’Neil and other members of the police department

Others: Jim Simpson, WisDOT and family members of Officers Jepson and Weaver.

Mayor Groves Lloyd called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM in the Council Room at City Hall, 130 S Main, Lodi.

Roll call was taken –Goethel, Ripp, Stevenson and Strasser were present.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Public Input. NONE

Chief Smith introduced and Ayers issued the Oath of Office to Police Officers Jepson and Weaver.

Consent Agenda. MOTION (Stevenson, Goethel) to approve the consent agenda items including: approval of minutes from January 10 and 17, 2023. Roll call vote- Aye (Stevenson, Ripp, Strasser, Goethel); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Columbia County Supervisor Report. None.

Library Report. None.

Resolution Approving Eastern Columbia County Joint Municipal Court Agreement. MOTION (Stevenson, Ripp) to approve Resolution 23-10 Approving Eastern Columbia County Joint Municipal Court Agreement. Roll call vote – Aye (Ripp, Strasser, Stevenson, Goethel); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Ordinance Amending Chapter 38 Court, Joint Municipal. MOTION (Stevenson, Goethel) to approve Ordinance A-560 Amending Chapter 38 Court, Joint Municipal. Roll call vote – Aye (Stevenson, Strasser, Goethel, Ripp,); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Resolution Approving Eastern Columbia County Joint Municipal Court Agreement. MOTION (Stevenson, Strasser) to approve Resolution 23-11 Approving Agreement with Columbia County Humane Society. Roll call vote- Aye (Goethel, Ripp, Strasser, Stevenson); Nay (0). **Motion Carried**

Resolution Regarding WisDOT Land Acquisition and Temporary Limited Easements Related to the Hwy 113 Project. MOTION (Stevenson, Goethel) to approve Resolution 23-12 Approving TLE Property Conveyance and Appraisal Waiver (WisDOT Hwy 113). Roll call vote –Aye (Strasser, Ripp, Goethel, Stevenson); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Hwy 113/N Main St Utilities Project Bid Proposal B.

Stevenson and Ayers explained that the Council previously denied awarding proposal A and decided to wait to gather additional information regarding proposal B. It is the recommendation of the City Engineer; Utilities, Streets and Parks Superintendent and City Administrator to also deny Proposal B since some of the items in proposal A related to B.

MOTION (Stevenson, Ripp) to deny/not award the bid for Proposal B for the Hwy 113/N Utilities Project Bid Proposal B (Hydro-Klean). Roll call vote – Aye (Stevenson, Goethel, Strasser, Ripp,); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Rebidding the Hwy 113/N Main St Utilities Project.

Lincoln reported that WisDOT has agreed to push their road project in the city limits to October 1st which gives the City the opportunity to rebid the project in a more favorable timeframe. Lincoln suggested changing the scope of the project to Highway 60 to Gay Street. This will resolve sewer infiltration issues and lead water pipes. Lincoln also recommended reducing the water main from 10-inch to 8-inch. A concern was raised about cutting the scope. Ayers suggested the bid laid out with the section from Hwy 60 to Gay Street as a main project with an alternate to go from Gay Street to Lodi Vet Clinic. This gives flexibility to lengthen the scope if prices are favorable. Jim Simpson from WisDOT was present and noted that he would like their project to start sooner than October 1 if possible. Ayers noted that the next step would be for the engineer to prepare the new bid package to present to Council for authorization. **MOTION** (Stevenson, Ripp) to allow staff to work with the city engineer to prepare the documents to rebid the project. Roll call vote –Aye (Stevenson, Goethel, Strasser, Ripp); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Equipment Purchase(s) and Related Funding. Lincoln reported that the current 2001 street sweeper was purchased used in 2014 and needs repairs in the amount of \$23,683. The current value is \$5-10,000. With repairs the sweeper value would be \$10-15,000 with a life expectancy of 2-5 years. A new sweeper currently costs \$290,000 with a one-year lead time for delivery. McQueen has a 2018 street sweeper they are taking in at the end of a lease that will be available in April. McQueen will refurbish the sweeper and sell to the city at a cost of \$185,000 which includes inspection and new wear pieces. The current 2003 International plow truck has required repairs after each of the recent snow events. There is an 18-month lead time on a new truck. At this time, Lincoln has only been able to secure one quote on the chassis, he will work obtaining additional quotes prior to obtaining final approval on the purchase. The city uses Burke Truck and Equipment for the outfitting on the truck. Once approved, the quote from Burke is guaranteed. Lincoln stated he is requesting permission to purchase the street sweeper and to authorization for staff to seek financing for both the sweeper and plow truck. Ayers reported that Ehlers offers a service to find competitive loan rates at an estimated cost of \$6,500 rolled into the loan. **MOTION** (Stevenson, Goethel) to authorize staff to work with Ehlers to put together a loan package in the amount of \$455,000 for the street sweeper and snowplow and for staff to purchase the street sweeper. Roll call vote –Aye (Goethel, Ripp, Stevenson, Strasser); Nay (0). **Motion carried.**

Mayor report. Mayor Groves Lloyd reported on her recent trip to Washington D.C. sponsored by APPA.

Next Meeting Date. Tuesday, March 21, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Adjourn. **MOTION** (Stevenson, Strasser) to adjourn at 7:05 p.m. Voice vote- all ayes. **Motion carried.**

Minutes by Brenda Ayers, City Clerk