

FEBRUARY 22, 2021 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Prescott City Council was held on Monday, February 22, 2021 in the Prescott Municipal Building, 800 Borner St., Prescott, WI 54021.

Call to order/Roll Call: Mayor David Hovel called the meeting to order 6:00 p.m. Members present were Thomas Oss, Maureen Otwell, Dar Hintz, Bailey Ruona, Joshua Gergen and Robert Daugherty online. City Administrator Jayne Brand represented staff. Also present Patrick Beilfuss and Seth Hudson of Cedar Corporation, City Engineers.

Public Comments: No public comments were given.

Hintz/Ruona motion to approve the consent agenda which included the regular city council meeting minutes for February 8, 2021, public works committee meeting minutes for February 8, 2021 and Prescott Public Library Board of Trustee meeting minutes for January 21, 2021 passed without a negative voice vote.

Daugherty/Ruona motion to open the public hearing for Citizen participation hearing for proposed application for community block grant – coronavirus program (CDBG-CV) funds passed without a negative voice vote.

Patrick Beilfuss of Cedar Corporation presented a basic overview of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. Included in Beilfuss' presentation were the grant funds which are available for housing, planning, public facilities, economic development, public facilities for economic development and corona virus. Beilfuss described the activities which are eligible from the different Community Development Block Grant programs and provided several examples for each type of grant funding. Beilfuss stated the City of Prescott as a whole would not meet the low to moderate income limits but there may be areas within the city which would meet it. Seth Hudson of Cedar Corporation presented the project to purchase the Food Pantry Building and add a commercial kitchen along with loading docks. The bathrooms will be made handicapped accessible. The additional area within the building will be used for a senior center. Pierce County Public Health also supports the purchase of the building which can be used for activities support by Public Health. The costs to purchase the building and adding the improvements were reviewed by Hudson. The estimate for the project is \$884,600. Hudson reminded the Mayor and Council this project would need to be bid out. At this time Mayor Hovel opened the floor to any comments or questions. No comments or questions were asked. **Hintz/Otwell motion to close the public hearing passed without a negative voice vote.**

Patrick Beilfuss of Cedar Corporation presented the resolution for use of excessive force and to enforce applicable state and local laws prohibiting physical barring entrances/exits for non-violent civil right demonstrations. This resolution was before the Council at the last meeting but Police Chief Michaels asked for a section be added which is "if a non-violent civil rights demonstration should occur, force shall only be permitted when necessary to protect the right of individuals or to uphold the law, and the City shall only permit the least amount necessary to achieve its lawful goals. **Daugherty/Otwell motion to approve Resolution 05-21 "Resolution to adopt the policy to prohibit the use of excessive force and to enforce applicable state and local laws prohibiting physically barring entrances/exits for non-violent civil rights demonstrations" with change as proposed by Police Chief passed without a negative voice vote.**

Ruona/Hintz motion to approve Resolution 06-21 "City of Prescott match commitment resolution, providing a guarantee of matching funds for the CDBG-CV application" with the match set at \$25,000 passed without a negative voice vote.

Ruona/Daugherty motion to approve pay request #1 for the courtesy dock and ramp project in the amount of \$101,887.50 with funds coming from TID #4 passed without a negative voice vote.

Ruona/Otwell motion to approve Resolution 07-21 “Expressing support for WCWBF request for IUP revisions” passed without a negative voice vote.

Daugherty/Otwell motion to approve 2nd reading of Ordinance 01-21 “Accessory Use and Structures” passed without a negative voice vote.

Ruona/Hintz motion to send Ordinance 03-21 “Swimming Pools” back to ordinance committee passed without a negative voice vote.

Meeting date of March 15, 2021 at 5:30 pm was set to meet with the Prescott Daze Committee.

Hintz/Ruona motion to go into closed session per Wisconsin Stats 19.85 (1) (E) deliberating or negotiating the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session – proposed project within ½ mile of TID #5 passed via roll call vote.

Hintz/Daugherty motion to come out of closed session passed without a negative voice vote.

Gergen/Daugherty motion to adjourn passed without a negative voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jayne M. Brand
City Administrator