

## AUGUST 9, 2022 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Prescott City Council was held on Monday, August 9, 2022 in the Prescott Municipal Building, 800 Borner St. Prescott, WI 54021

Call to order/Roll Call: Mayor Daugherty called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Members present were Tom Oss, Pat Knox, Maureen Otwell, and Bailey Ruona. John Peterson and Dar Hintz. Representing staff City Administrator Matt Wolf and City Clerk Jayne Brand.

Public Comments: None were given.

**Ruona/Otwell motion to approve the consent agenda which included the Library Board of Trustee meeting minutes for June 16, 2022, regular City Council meeting minutes for July 25, 2022, Plan Commission meeting minutes for August 1, 2022, TID Joint Board of Review for August 3, 2022, cash balances, budget year to date, general fund budget comparison, accounts payable, temporary Class B beer license and amplifier permit for Freedom Park for the Sunset Soiree for October 1, 2022 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm passed without a negative voice vote.**

Public Works next meeting Monday, August 29, 2022 at 5:00 pm.

Mayor Daugherty presented information from the August 1, 2022 Plan Commission meeting. The bypass road alternatives were discussed for the Great River Subdivision. The discussion included not going through the Most Subdivision because of the cost of a bridge being approximately \$11Million dollars. It was discussed the bypass could go about ½ east of the Great Rivers Subdivision. There was discussion of the bypass being on 1200<sup>th</sup> Ave but this was objected to by the residents of Oak Grove Township. There was also discussion of increasing the fee for streets to help pay for the bypass. There will need to be further discussion on this issue.

Next Plan Commission meeting set for Tuesday September 6, 2022 AT 5:00 PM

Next meeting for the Ordinance Committee is set for September 26, 2022 at 5:00 PM

Aldersperson Otwell gave a committee report on the Personnel Committee on August 3, 2022. The handbook was reviewed. Pete Whitneck who helped with doing the handbook was on had to answer any questions regarding the handbook. There was one issue in regards to search of an employees belongings was removed. A survey will be given to employees to complete and return for additional information. The School Resource Officer Contract was discussed and moved forward to Council for review.

The contract for the School Resource Officer was discussed. The contract was increased from \$10,000 to \$26,000. Overtime was added to the contract. Overtime will be split of the Officer is needed because of special events or needs between the School District and the City. Aldersperson Oss if a cost of living increase was included in the contract. At this time it was not added. **Ruona/Otwell motion to approve the School Resource Officer passed without a negative voice vote.**

Next meeting for the personnel committee will be November 2, 2022 at 5:00 pm

Communications and New Business:

Discussion was held on a housing study for the City of Prescott. The housing study will look at multi-family and Senior housing. The cost of the Study will come for the Affordable Housing funds which was allocated from TID #3. Alderperson Oss questioned the need of the study. **Otwell/Ruona motion to approve the proposal by WSB Engineering to conduct a Senior and Multi-Family Housing Study within the City of Prescott at the cost of \$6,000 with fund to come out of the Affordable Housing Fund passed by a majority roll call vote with Oss voting nay.**

**Ruona/Otwell motion to approve Resolution 27-22 “ Resolution requesting application for exemption from County Library Tax” passed without a negative voice vote.**

**Ruona/Otwell 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. Farm property Parcel IDS – 020010120800, 020010120300, 0200101030100, 020010120200 passed unanimously via roll call vote.**

**Otwell/Ruona motioned to come out of closed session passed without a negative voice vote.** Council made no formal recommendations but asked that staff move forward with negotiations with the Farm Property discussed in closed session.

City Administrator Wolf discussed the requested Council Workshop for Wednesday, September 14 at 5:00 pm. No members had any objections to the date and stated that it would work for them. Council member Knox asked for an update regarding the Food Pantry, which City Administrator Wolf gave and stated that a new request for funding for the project was sent to the Department of Administration based on news bids that were required for the project. Administrator Wolf stated that if approved by the Department of Administration a bid approval resolution will come before the Council at their next meeting.

**Ruona/Otwell motion to adjourn passed without a negative voice vote.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Jayne M. Brand  
City Clerk