

In Attendance:

Mayor Steve Bierce, Aldermen B. Bergman, C. Brown, B. Dziwulski, R. Grosch, J. Kara and J. Wamser.

Also in Attendance:

Attorney S. Riffle, Administrator S. Klein, DPW Director M. Wagner, City Planner & Community Development Director N. Fuchs, Park & Recreation Director N. Phalin, Lieutenant M. Moonen and Clerk/Treasurer K. Tarczewski.

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Bierce called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Public Comment - None.

3. Consent Agenda

- 3.1. Concur with the Park & Recreation Board (March 10, 2021) to Approve the Use of \$39,430 in 2021 Ahead of the Planned City Capital Playground Funds for Playground Improvements at South Park
- 3.2. Concur with the Park & Recreation Board (March 10, 2021) to Approve the Reallocation of \$10,428 of Capital Equipment Savings from 2020 to be put Towards Permanent Pickleball Courts
- 3.3. Approval of Common Council Meeting Minutes Dated February 1, 2021
- 3.4. Approval of the Accounts Payable Listing Dated March 15th, 2021

Mr. Bergman asked that Item #3.2 be removed for discussion and Ms. Brown asked that Item #3.1 be pulled as well.

A motion was made and seconded (R. Grosch, J. Kara) to approve the remaining items on the consent agenda. Motion Passed: 6-For, 0-Against.

- 3.1 Concur with the Park & Recreation Board to Approve the Use of \$39,430 in 2021 Ahead of the Planned City Capital Playground Funds for Playground Improvements at South Park

Ms. Brown stated she was excited about the proposal but voiced her concerns regarding the flooding issues at that park and hoped they would be taking care of that issue before money was to be spent to renovate the park. She asked if any thought was given to include a special needs swing. Ms. Brown said it would be wonderful addition to the park.

Mr. Phalin was confident that there would be a solution regarding the flooding issue. He said the park is now connected to sewer instead of using the septic tank. He said because of that, they can look at relocating the playground equipment to the right of the pavilion. It is a flatter area and is level with the parking lot. He said he would continue to work with the Engineering Department and playground experts.

Mr. Phalin stated he did not specifically consider an inclusive swing, but assured Ms. Brown that he would talk to the designer. He did mention that the spinner was inclusive.

Mayor Bierce voiced his support to create more inclusive park areas.

A motion was made and seconded (B. Dziwulski, C. Brown) to concur with the Park & Recreation Board and authorize the use of \$39,430 in 2021 for playground improvements at South Park. Motion Passed: 6-For, 0-Against.

- 3.2 Concur with the Park & Recreation Board to Approve the Reallocation of \$10,428 of Capital Equipment Savings from 2020 to be put Towards Permanent Pickleball Courts

Brandon stated he was excited about the pickleball courts. He asked which tennis court would be converted over to the pickleball court and questioned how many courts could be made out of one tennis court.

Mr. Phalin said one regular tennis court could produce four pickleball courts. He said a four-foot fence would be installed around each newly created court so it could no longer be utilized for regular tennis again. Mr. Phalin said the exact location has not been determined as of yet. He stated the number of people interested in pickleball grows every year.

Mr. Phalin stated the amount requested to be put aside will not cover the expenses. He said this a commitment to the open space plan recently approved. He said the conversion would be completed at the same time that the courts need renovation, and he estimated the total cost would be between \$60,000 - \$80,000.

A motion was made and seconded (B. Bergman, B. Dziwulski) to approve the capital reallocation of \$10,428 to be put towards the pickleball courts.

Mr. Klein voiced his concern about setting a precedent of distributing unspent money from a project from a previous year and allocating it a few years out for something that wasn't yet in the budget. He said typically the unspent money is rolled into the undesignated fund balance and discussed at budget time.

Mayor Bierce asked if it would make more sense to have Mr. Phalin put it in his budget, and the Council would support it at that time. Mr. Phalin stated he appreciated the support and would do so.

Based on the conversation, Mr. Bergman and Mr. Dziwulski both withdrew their motion. Mr. Phalin was directed to add the pickleball courts to his capital budget in 2022.

4. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Temporary No Parking Restriction on One Side of All the Streets in the Swan View Farms Subdivision

Ms. Wagner stated this item was to official notify the Council that she is implementing a temporary no parking on one side of the streets within the Swan View Farms Subdivision. She said the construction traffic, in its current state, does not allow for the safe travel of emergency vehicles. Ms. Wagner stated no official action by the Council was needed.

Ms. Brown assumed this wouldn't be the last time this action would need to be done. She questioned whether or not it could be done without notifying the Council. Ms. Wagner stated this is usually not an

issue because the homes are built in stages. She said the Parade of Homes are hurrying to complete the homes so more traffic is in the area at this time.

5. Discussion and Possible Action to Adopt **Resolution 21-03-08** Government Responsibility Resolution for the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Storm Water Planning Grant Application

Ms. Wagner stated every two years the DNR offers planning grants for storm water and this year they would like to move forward with an application. She said this has been a long-standing project and the request for proposal is expected to go out this year. The grant would cover the water quality aspect of the project and would be available in 2022. Ms. Wagner stated the resolution would grant her the authorization to sign the applications and sign the paperwork for reimbursements.

A motion was made and seconded (J. Kara, R. Grosch) to approve the government

responsibility resolution, 21-03-08, for the Department of Natural Resources. Motion Passed: 6-For, 0-Against.

6. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Intermunicipal Agreement for the Lindsay Road / Redford Boulevard (CTH F) Intersection Improvements

Ms. Wagner stated she received this agreement from Waukesha County for the restricted crossing “U” turn safety improvements for the intersection at Redford Boulevard and Lindsay Road. She said the County secured a grant and would be responsible for 90 percent of the project costs and the City would be responsible for the other 10 percent. Ms. Wagner stated this agreement lays out the costs, as well as who the project lead is and who will do the review. Ms. Wagner made note that there are proposed LED lights at the intersection and the City would be responsible for the long-term maintenance of them. She said the agreement was reviewed by the City Attorney and herself and she had a few questions related to the document. She said there is land acquisition needed, as well as some grading work, but the County was unsure of their needs at this time. Ms. Wagner stated she’d rather grant them an easement, versus giving them the land. She said flood plain changes are needed in that northeast quadrant and the City may have use for that land. The project would not take place until 2023 and as much as the Council would like to see the project expedited, she said the County felt that would not be possible due to funding issues. Ms. Wagner stated the plan doesn’t show pedestrian or bicycle crossing and the County would not consider building the facility because there is nothing currently there and there is high-volume on the roadway. It is not a safe crossing area. Ms. Wagner stated if the Council wants it, they need to put in the walkway or trail prior to the project. Ms. Wagner wanted a provision added to the agreement that the City can reject all bids if they come in too high. Ms. Wagner recommended approving the agreement contingent on final review of the agreement by staff and the City Attorney.

Mr. Bergman asked if a crossing was proposed in the City’s bike and pedestrian plan. Ms. Wagner confirmed that it was. She said there are trails proposed down Lindsay Road, Swan Road and Duplainville Road that would connect to Balmer Park and the Sports Complex.

Mr. Bergman thought if the City had a plan for future development, the County would have to build it to accommodate for that future improvement. Ms. Wagner stated that was correct if they were reconstructing the road. However, this is just an intersection improvement funded by a safety grant.

Mr. Grosch stated he thought the County had a facility for crossing when they originally proposed the improvements to the City. Ms. Wagner said they had a provision showing how it would look, but it was removed.

Mr. Kara stated he was disappointed that this project won't be completed until 2023. This plan will make it useless for bikes and pedestrians. Ms. Wagner stated it was her understanding that this would be a raised intersection. Ms. Wagner stated they would have to "snake" around to cross the intersection to avoid the curb. Mr. Kara asked if the plan created a more dangerous situation for bicycles.

Ms. Brown stated this intersection was already dangerous. She said this improvement came to the Council because it was dangerous for cars.

Mr. Dziwulski voiced his displeasure that the County took out the crossing. He felt it was too dangerous.

Mr. Grosch stated some provision should be made in this area since the City has a plan for trails in the area.

Ms. Wagner read the following comment from the County: "If the City feels strongly regarding the crossing, we would need to meet and not only discuss the impacts and safety of the crossing, but the City's improvements to connect walks and overall." Ms. Wagner continued to say that the County feels this is a minor inconvenience for bicyclists for a major safety gain.

Mr. Bergman agreed with Mr. Kara's safety concerns and thought it should be brought back to Waukesha County for reconsideration to make it safe for bicyclist and pedestrians as well.

Ms. Wagner was directed to go back to the County to voice the City's concerns.

Ms. Wagner stated the County is going to ask when the trails are going in on Lindsay Road to justify the pedestrian crossing. She said the project could be added to the 2022 budget.

Mayor Bierce asked when Duplainville Road and Lindsay Road were projected to be done. Ms. Wagner stated Duplainville Road is proposed for 2022. She said Lindsay Road has been pushed off because they are waiting for utilities to come to that area. She estimated sometime within in the next five years.

Ms. Brown stated she was concerned that this would tie future Councils. She said no costs were given and she didn't agree with this.

Attorney Riffle stated we were not tying future Council hands because no contract is being signed.

Mr. Klein concurred with Attorney Riffle.

Ms. Wagner stated she would come back to the Council requesting a budget amendment for engineering fees.

Mr. Grosch asked if it would be an on-road or off-road plan. Ms. Wagner stated she believes the recommendation is for an on-road trail but feels there are some pretty significant grading issues to do so.

7. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding **Ordinance 21-01** Amending Chapter 5 - Traffic to Add Broken Hill Boulevard, Century Farm Road, and Highfield Road to Section 5.05(3)(b)

Ms. Wagner stated this is in response to the complaints received related to the Swan View Farms construction traffic driving through the Broken Hill subdivision. She indicated even though the developer's agreement prohibits large trucks from using these streets, the vendors are still cutting

through. She stated the only way the City can enforce traffic control is to put weight restrictions at the three entrances of the subdivision. The restrictions will be removed once the construction is completed.

A motion was made and seconded (J. Kara, R. Grosch) to approve Ordinance 21-01.

Motion Passed: 6-For, 0-Against.

8. Discussion and Possible Action to Appoint Members to the Public Works Committee

Mayor Bierce recommended the appointment of Michael Kreiter to the Public Works Committee.

A motion was made and seconded (C. Brown, J. Kara) to concur with the Mayor's recommendations and appoint Michael Kreiter to the Public Works Committee.

Motion Passed: 6-For, 0-Against.

9. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding **Resolution 21-03-09** Revising the 2021 Fee Schedule, Specifically Related to the Cost of House Numbers

A motion was made and seconded (J. Kara, J. Wamser) to approve Resolution 21-03-09 revising the cost of house numbers. Motion Passed: 6-For, 0-Against.

10. Discussion and Possible Action to Determine Whether the City of Pewaukee Will Continue Virtual Meetings in the Month of April

Mayor Bierce asked the Council members if they would like to return to in-person meetings again. Mr. Dziwulski stated he'd prefer to be in-person. Mr. Wamser indicated he would rather attend virtually. Ms. Brown stated she was okay with in-person and so did Mr. Kara. Mr. Grosch and Mr. Bergman indicated they were fine with either way.

It was determined that the Common Council will have their meetings in-person from now on, starting at 6:30 p.m. in person. The Mayor stated the other Boards, Commissions and Committees should decide on their own whether to return to live meetings or stay virtual for a while longer.

11. Public Comment - None.

12. Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded, (C. Brown, R. Grosch) to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

Motion Passed: 6-For, 0-Against.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kelly Tarczewski
Clerk/Treasurer