

CITY OF ALTOONA, WI
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
April 30, 2020

(I) Call Meeting to Order

Mayor Brendan Pratt called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. The Special Council Meeting was held via Zoom Teleconference/Video conference due to Coronavirus COVID-19.

(II) Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Pratt led the Common Council and others in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

(III) Roll Call

City Clerk Cindy Bauer called the roll. Mayor Brendan Pratt, Council Members Dale Stuber, Timothy Lima, Maria Guzman, Matt Biren, Tim Sexton, and Susan Rowe were present. Also Present: Attorney Steve Weld, City Administrator Michael Golat, Management Analyst Roy Atkinson, City Engineer/Director of Public Works (CE/DPW) David Walter, Finance Director Tina Nelson, Public Works Supervisor Scott Kwick, and City Clerk Cindy Bauer.

(IV) Citizen Participation Period

Motion by Rowe/Sexton to close the Citizen Participation Period. **Motion carried.**

(V) New Business

(1) Discuss/consider approval of Resolution 4D-20, A Resolution amending the 2020 Capital Projects Fund Budget including the General Fund Portion as well as the Water, Sewer and Stormwater Utility portions due to favorable bids received, and, further, moving the General Fund Portion to the Annual Overlay Program Capital Budget.

CE/DPW David Walter explained that the scope of the project for Thompson Drive and Knollwood Trail at the budget preparation level originally included full reconstruction of the roadway, removal and replacement of all sidewalk, and storm sewer amongst other utility work. Upon receipt of survey data and site review, the sidewalk and storm sewer mains were deemed sufficient, and were removed from the project plans. The scope was further reduced by Council in response to resident testimony given during the assessment hearing. Bids were received for the 2020 Street & Utility Reconstruction project on Tuesday, April 21, 2020. Bid prices for asphaltic concrete pavement came in at historically low levels, further reducing the cost of the project.

CE/DPW Walter said that in light of the above, a surplus of \$440,878 exists in the General Fund portion of the capital budget. Staff recommends that the surplus funds be shifted to the Annual Pavement Replacement Program, in order to maximize the length of roadways repaved and to take advantage of current asphalt prices. While there is no guarantee the unit prices will be the same, the current bidding environment suggests they will be relatively similar. Staff is prepared to expedite the bid advertising process should Council choose to move the funds.

Motion by Sexton/Lima to approve Resolution 4D-20, A Resolution amending the 2020 Capital Projects Fund Budget including the General Fund Portion as well as the Water, Sewer and Stormwater Utility portions due to favorable bids received, and, further, moving the General Fund Portion to the Annual Overlay Program Capital Budget. Roll call vote, 6-ayes, Lima, Sexton, Stuber, Rowe, Biren, Guzman, 0-nays. **Motion carried 6-0.**

(IX) Miscellaneous Business and Communication

Clerk Bauer reminded Council that the next meeting will be the Regular Council Meeting on Thursday, May 14, 2020.

Council Member Golat commented on two Emergency Executive Orders that were implemented on April 29, 2020. The first being the cancellation of public events permitted by the City through June 30, 2020.

The second being the deferment of payment for liquor licenses and associated fees for the July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021 Calendar year. Golat also mentioned that the City will not be changing the operator (bartender) licenses as originally proposed to a two year license until 2021.

Management Roy Atkinson mentioned that Staff will be doing a virtual River Prairie Festival on May 9, 2020 starting at 11 a.m.. There will be a variety of events such as a virtual duck race.

(X) Adjournment.

Motion by Rowe/Stuber to adjourn at 3:26 p.m. **Motion carried.**

Minutes submitted by Cindy Bauer, City Clerk