**City of Nashua**

**CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**City Council Chambers, City Hall**

The Nashua City Council met in regular session on February 3, 2020 in Council Chambers at City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 7:00PM with Mayor Betsinger presiding. Council members present were Alex Anthofer, Scott Cerwinske, Thomas Johnson, Harold Kelleher III, and Charles Shelby. City employee(s) City Clerk John Ott was in attendance along with Chief Deputy Reed Palo. There were also 5 guests in attendance.

 Mayor Betsinger asked for consideration approving the amended agenda. The amendments were adding Resolution 20-12 Accepting the Resignation of Curtis Swinton Parks Director and Removing the Monthly Report from Police Chief Jeremy Iriarte. Cerwinske Motioned. Johnson Seconded. Motion Carried.

Mayor Betsinger asked if anyone had public comments. There were none

Mayor Betsinger called for a motion to approve the minutes from the Council Meeting on January 20, 2020 and Special Meeting on January 27, 2020.

 Johnson Motioned.. Anthofer Seconded. Motion Carried.

Mayor Betsinger asked for a motion to open the Public Hearing for the Maximum Tax Levy. Kelleher Motioned. Cerwinske Seconded. Motion Carried. The public hearing was opened at 7:02PM. After discussions Mayor Betsinger asked if there was a motion to accept the proposed Max Tax Levy. The Max Tax Levy was approved unanimously. Mayor Betsinger asked for a motion to close the public hearing. Johnson Motioned. Cerwinske Seconded. Motion Carried. The public hearing was closed at 7:19PM.

Resolution 20-08 - Resolution Appointing Mayor Clinton “Butch” Betsinger to the FMC Landfill Board. Cerwinske Motioned. Johnson Seconded. Motion Carried.

Roll Call: Anthofer – Aye, Cerwinske-Aye, Johnson-Aye, Kelleher-Aye, Shelby – Aye

Resolution 20-09 – Resolution Approving the FY20/21 Max Tax Levy Resolution. Cerwinske Motioned. Johnson Seconded. Motion Carried.

Roll Call: Anthofer – Aye, Cerwinske-Aye, Johnson-Aye, Kelleher-Aye, Shelby – Aye

Resolution 20-10 – Resolution to Fix a Date for a Public Hearing on Proposal to Enter into a General Obligation Equipment Lease- Purchase Agreement

Anthofer Motioned. Cerwinske Seconded. Motion Carried.

Roll Call: Anthofer – Aye, Cerwinske-Aye, Johnson-Aye, Kelleher-Aye, Shelby – Aye

Resolution 20-11 – Resolution to Accept a Gift of Real Estate as Resolution of Nuisance Dispute.. Anthofer Motioned. Shelby Seconded. Motion Carried.

Roll Call: Anthofer – Aye, Cerwinske-Aye, Johnson-Aye, Kelleher-Aye, Shelby – Aye

Resolution 20-12 – Resolution to Accept the Resignation of Curtis Swinton as City of Nashua Parks Director. Kelleher Motioned. Anthofer Seconded. Motion Carried.

Roll Call: Anthofer – Aye, Cerwinske-Aye, Johnson-Aye, Kelleher-Aye, Shelby – Aye

Mayor Betsinger asked for a motion to approve the consent calendar payment of claims.

 Payment of Claims (see claims report): Total claims to be paid: $50,060.83+$8,831.15 (Wages)

1. General Fund: $22,450.55
2. Road Use: $7,051.18
3. Employee Benefits: $149.86
4. Water: $13,665.04
5. Sewer: $15,575.35
6. Total Funds: $58,891.98

Councilman Johnson inquired about the First Responder Bags coming out of the Watson money. City Clerk Ott will change the coding to come out of the Watson per the council’s previous decision.

Cerwinske Motioned. Anthofer Seconded. Motion Carried.

Building Permits

16 Douglas St.

Anthofer Motioned. Johnson Seconded to approve the building permit,

Special Permits

None

Business of the Mayor

Mayor Betsinger called for a motion to set a public hearing for the contracted rates of Jendro Sanitation. Anthofer Motioned. Cerwinske Seconded. Motion Carried.

A Public Hearing has been set for February 17, 2020.

 Department Reports

City Clerk Ott mentioned that for the Greeley St. project the city has received 24 surveys back. We are still 7 short of meeting the minimum required for applying for the CBBG grant. INRCOG has stated that they would like to have these surveys by Mid-February, so we are getting very short on time. City Clerk reminded the council of the budget meeting scheduled for February 10th at 5:30PM. He also reviewed the January Financial Reports and asked the council if they had any questions. There were a couple of questions that City Clerk Ott will have to research and get back to the council. City Clerk Ott also informed the council that the Annual Exam is scheduled for the week of February 24th.

Councilman Anthofer inquired about establishing a local purchasing policy.

Chief Deputy Reed Palo reviewed the Monthly Activity Report.

Barb Lumley gave a report on the Welcome Center. She stated that the Welcome Center Board would like to have monthly activities at the Welcome Center to help drive traffic and interest to the Welcome Center. She also talked about some of the maintenance items that had been addressed. They are also looking at installing a different Point Of Sale System that will be more cost effective to the city in the long term.

Discussion/Action Items

There was discussion on applying for a Derelict Building Grant and utilizing INRCOG to write the grant now that the city has taken possession of the condemned buildings on Main St.. City Clerk Ott will check with INRCOG to see if they would have enough time to write the grant as the deadline is February 15th. There was also some more discussion on adding a storm water utility fee, but no decision has been made.

Other Business:

Mayor Betsinger asked the council if they wanted to accept the trade in offer for the lawn mower. Kelleher Motioned. Cerwinske Seconded. Motion Carried.

 Mayor Betsinger called for a motion to approve the purchase of a vacuum cleaner for City Hall. Cerwinske Motioned. Anthofer Seconded.. Motion Carried.

 The Mayor called for a motion to go into closed session. Cerwinske Motioned. Kelleher Seconded. Motion Carried.

The council went into closed session at 8:14PM for 21.5(1)(C) of the Iowa Code to discuss strategy with counsel in matters that are presently in litigation or where litigation is imminent where its disclosure would be likely to prejudice or disadvantage the position of the governmental body in that litigation.

Mayor Betsinger asked for a motion to resume open session. Anthofer Motioned. Johnson Seconded. Motion Carried.

The council resumed open session at 8:27PM

Mayor Betsinger asked for a motion to approve legal counsel recommendations. All city council members agreed with the recommendations set forth by legal counsel.

There was no other business. Cerwinske Motioned to adjourn. Kelleher Seconded. Motion Carried. The meeting was adjourned at 8:28PM.

 Pending Approval by City Council

 John Ott

 City Clerk

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| CLAIMS REPORT (January 21-Feb 3, 2020) |  |  |  |
| VENDOR | REFERENCE  | AMOUNT | CHECK # | CHECK DATE |
| ATLAS OUTFITTERS  | FD - MINOR EQUIPMENT  | $500.50 | 43617 | 2/3/2020 |
| AVESIS  | VISION INSURANCE  | $120.40 | 43618 | 2/3/2020 |
| BARNETT EXCAVATING & TRUCKING  | WATER-DIG ON 346/MERRILL ST  | $2,500.00 | 43619 | 2/3/2020 |
| CENTURYLINK  | wc - phone expenses  | $68.93 | 43620 | 2/3/2020 |
| SCOTT CERWINSKE  | COUNCIL MILEAGE  | $36.00 | 43621 | 2/3/2020 |
| DELTA DENTAL OF IOWA  | DENTAL INS  | $346.08 | 43615 | 1/24/2020 |
| DELTA DENTAL OF IOWA  | JAN '20 BILLING CATCH UP  | $20.02 | 43622 | 2/3/2020 |
| DOLLAR GENERAL  | WC - OPERATING EXPENSES  | $27.29 | 43623 | 2/3/2020 |
| E H ELECTRIC LLC  | WC - OPERATING EXPENSES  | $115.84 | 43624 | 2/3/2020 |
| FASTENAL COMPANY  | STREETS - OPERATING SUPPLIES  | $68.19 | 43625 | 2/3/2020 |
| FIRE SAFETY USA  | FD - FIRST RESPONDER BAGS  | $496.83 | 43626 | 2/3/2020 |
| G T MURPHY, ABSTRACTER  | LIEN SEARCH  | $250.00 | 43627 | 2/3/2020 |
| GIS BENEFITS  | LIFE/DIS INS FEB '20  | $90.67 | 43628 | 2/3/2020 |
| IOWA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE  | SALES TAX - JAN 2020  | $221.00 | 18213177 | 1/30/2020 |
| IOWA DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE  | WET TAX - JAN '2020  | $982.00 | 18213178 | 2/3/2020 |
| IOWA ONE CALL  | LOCATES  | $27.00 | 43629 | 2/3/2020 |
| IPERS  | REGULAR IPERS  | $3,507.99 | 18213174 | 1/24/2020 |
| IRS - USA TAX PAYMENT  | FED/FICA TAX  | $2,457.99 | 18213175 | 1/24/2020 |
| JENDRO SANITATION SERVICE  | GARB/REC - JAN '20  | $9,430.64 | 43630 | 2/3/2020 |
| LINCOLN SAVINGS BANK  | HSA  | $1,950.00 | 43616 | 1/24/2020 |
| MIDAMERICAN ENERGY  | GAS/ELECT EXP JAN '20  | $6,826.79 | 43631 | 2/3/2020 |
| NASHUA PLUMBING & HEATING  | WC-OPERATING SUPPLIES  | $336.40 | 43632 | 2/3/2020 |
| NEW HAMPTON ELECTRIC  | SEWER-WATER HEATER INSPECTION  | $285.00 | 43633 | 2/3/2020 |
| PEOPLESERVICE INC.  | water waste water contract  | $18,718.00 | 43634 | 2/3/2020 |
| STAPLES CREDIT PLAN  | CH- OFFICE SUPPLIES  | $57.27 | 43635 | 2/3/2020 |
| TREASURER STATE OF IOWA  | STATE TAX  | $416.00 | 18213176 | 1/24/2020 |
| WAVERLY HEALTH CENTER  |   | $204.00 | 43636 | 2/3/2020 |
| Accounts Payable Total  |   | $50,060.83 |  |  |
| Payroll Checks  |   | $8,831.15 |  |  |
| \*\*\*\*\* REPORT TOTAL \*\*\*\*\*  |   | $58,891.98 |  |  |
| GENERAL FUND  |   | $22,450.55 |  |  |
| ROAD USE  |   | $7,051.18 |  |  |
| EMPLOYEE BENEFIT  |   | $149.86 |  |  |
| WATER  |   | $13,665.04 |  |  |
| SEWER  |   | $15,575.35 |  |  |
| TOTAL FUNDS  |   | $58,891.98 |  |  |