**City of Bloomer**

**Regular Meeting of the Common Council**

1503 Main Street

Bloomer, WI 54724

October 5th, 2023, 5:15 p.m.

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Bloomer was called to order on Wednesday, October 5th, 2023, at 5:15 p.m. at City Hall, 1503 Main Street – Mayor Koehler presiding.

Roll call was taken: Mayor Koehler, Aldermen Meinen, Zwiefelhofer, Reischel and Baribeau, Attorney Geirhart and Administrator Frion were all present.

All present gave pledge to the flag.

Zwiefelhofer made a motion to approve the minutes from the September 13th, 2023, council meeting as presented. Meinen seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Baribeau made a motion to approve all claims against the City and Utilities as presented. Zwiefelhofer seconded the motion and all present voted aye. The claims were in the amounts listed below:

Checks Numbered: 90787-90835

General Fund: $ 106,019.59

Electric Fund: $ 551,190.44

Water Fund: $ 1,626.68

Sewer Fund: $ 1,639,135.31

Payroll $ 117,684.98

TOTAL $ 2,415,657.00

Roy & Debbie Jones, 1803 Jackson St., would like to see that 18th Avenue not be allowed for heavy truck traffic.

Rebeka Spencer, 1508 Kranzfelder St., voiced concerns relating to separation of shared laterals and whose responsibility it should be to separate.

Brad Coubal and Gary Lueck with the Lake Como Lake Association provided an update of the 2023 operations. Coubal stated that the summer started out with a lot of weeds due to the heat and lack of rain to flush the lake. There were 220 volunteer hours put in and they are always looking for more volunteers. Coubal did request the city to consider budgeting funds in the 2024 budget for lake maintenance operations.

Motion (Meinen/Reischel) to approve allowing Karli Asplund, lessee of the Bloomer Golf Course, to add an addition to the north side of the clubhouse for the purpose of additional walk-in cooler and office space upon the approval of an agreement between the city and Asplund releasing the city of any financial obligations. Motion carried.

Motion (Meinen/Baribeau) to amend the remaining council meetings for 2023 as discussed: October 25th, November 8th, November 29th, and December 13th. Motion carried.

Motion (Baribeau/Reischel) to accept a $10,000 from Charter Next Generation (CNG) for the purpose of a new splash pad within the city and to be returned to CNG in the event the splash pad project does not come to fruition. Motion carried.

Motion (Meinen/Baribeau) to convene into closed session pursuant to Wis. Stat. §19.85(1)(c) & (e) – “Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility.”- Police Chief, Sergeant & Administrator Contract and “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.” Discussion on wage study information; “Conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved in. – Roll Call: Meinen-aye; Zwiefelhofer-aye; Baribeau-aye, Reischel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion (Baribeau/Reischel) reconvene to open session. Roll Call: Meinen-aye; Zwiefelhofer-aye; Baribeau-aye, Reischel-aye. Motion carried.

Motion (Meinen/Zwiefelhofer) to amend the Police Chief’s contract as discussed in closed session and authorize the Mayor to sign the amended agreement. Motion carried.

Motion (Meinen/Zwiefelhofer) to amend the Police Sergeant’s contract as discussed in closed session and authorize the Mayor to sign the amended agreement. Motion carried.

Motion (Meinen/Zwiefelhofer) to amend the Administrator’s contract as discussed in closed session and authorize the Mayor to sign the amended agreement. Motion carried.

Motion (Reischel/Meinen) to adjourn. All present voting aye. Motion carried.

Sandra L. Frion

City Administrator