
City of Bloomer

Regular Meeting of the Common Council

1503 Main Street
Bloomer, WI 54724
June 10th, 2020, 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, June 10th, 2020, at 5:15 p.m. at City Hall, 1503 Main Street – Mayor Koehler presiding.

Roll call was taken: Mayor Koehler, Aldermen Meinen, Bauch, Reischel, Baribeau, Administrator Frion and Attorney Gierhart were present.

All present gave pledge to the flag.

Reischel made a motion to approve the minutes from the May 27th, 2020 regular meeting minutes. Bauch seconded the motion and all present voted aye.

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

Checks Numbered:	85639 - 85713
General Fund:	\$ 92,419.74
Electric Fund:	\$ 21,120.06
Water Fund:	\$ 8,575.11
Sewer Fund:	\$ 97,769.25
Payroll	<u>\$ 94,115.91</u>
TOTAL	\$ 314,000.07

The new squad for the Police Department is currently being equipped and should be up and running fully in the next week or two. Things were delayed because of the COVID pandemic. The SCADA system upgrade for the Water/Wastewater Department is near completion. The final order for the electric rate increase has been completed. Staff is currently putting a plan together to present changing the billing cycle for utilities. The State has put a grant together for local municipalities to recoup some of the unbudgeted costs due to COVID-19. Administrator Frion will be putting those costs together to request reimbursement.

Mayor Koehler presented previous Mayor Steinmetz a plaque recognizing him for his years of service with the City of Bloomer as both an alderman and mayor.

Motion by Meinen to authorize the owner at 1511 6th Avenue to cut down the boulevard tree next to his driveway at the owner's expense. Bauch seconded the motion. Baribeau and Reischel voted nay. Motion failed with Mayor Koehler breaking the tie with a nay vote.

Water/Wastewater Manager, Bill Miller, gave an update on a private lead service line replacement program that is being offered by the Wisconsin DNR. The City needs to replace 18 lead service lines by the end of 2020 as required by the DNR. This program assists in funding the replacement, but the City would have to bid the project out to have both the public side and the private side of the lines replaced. It is recommended that an ordinance also be created to address replacement of any other private lines that may come to light in the future that the City is unaware of.

Motion by Meinen to allow staff to move forward with the engineering of the project to complete both the private and public side of replacement to qualify for the WI DNR aid and direct Attorney Gierhart to draft an ordinance reflecting private lead line replacement. Baribeau seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by Reischel to approve Ordinance #02-20 – “Creating §11-5-13 of the City Code prohibiting the sale, purchase, and possession of vaping device products by minors.” Bauch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by Meinen to approve Ordinance #03-20 – “Creating §11-5-14 prohibiting sexting by minors.” Reischel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by Reischel to approve Ordinance #04-20 – “Creating §10-1-81(c)(2)e relating to parking penalty enhancers. Baribeau seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by Bauch to approve all Class “B” Beer & “Class B” wine licenses, Class “B” Beer and “Class C” Wine licenses, Class “A” Beer & “Class A” Wine licenses, Class “A” Beer, and Class “B”

Beer licenses as listed for July 1st, 2020 – June 30th, 2021 with noting the correct address for River Country Co-op (Bloomer Cenex) should be 1115 Martin Rd. Reischel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by Meinen to approve all cigarette license applications for July 1st, 2020 – June 30th, 2021 as listed with noting the correct address for River Country Co-op (Bloomer Cenex) should be 1115 Martin Rd. Baribeau seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by Reischel to approve a Juke Box/Live Music Dancing license for applicants as listed from July 1st, 2020 – June 30th, 2021. Bauch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Motion by Meinen to approve a license to serve fermented malt beverages and intoxicating liquors for Maxine Kunsman, Jeff Binkowski, Ali Weisner, Chad Kruger, Deborah Petersen, Julie Rubenzer and Amber Hetchler. Reischel seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Baribeau made a motion to adjourn. Bauch seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Sandra L. Frion
City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer