

CITY OF MAPLETON
COUNCIL MINUTES
Tuesday February 8th, 2022

Members present: Froehlich, Malone, Maslakow, Warner and Hollerich

Staff members present: Clerk Duncanson, Deputy Clerk Moore, Public Works Supervisor Chaffee

Others present: Koni Preston-Maple River Messenger, Ken Kunz

Mayor Hollerich called the council meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at the Mapleton Fire Department.

Pledge of Allegiance

All those present stood and said the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Agenda

Mayor Hollerich added Item E. Gambling Request to New Business.

Councilor Malone moved and Maslakow seconded to adopt the agenda with the addition. All present voted in favor thereof. Motion carried.

Consent Agenda

Councilor Froehlich moved and Warner seconded to adopt the consent agenda as follows. All present voted in favor thereof. Motion carried.

- A. Minutes 1-18-2022
- B. Bills \$124,000.34
- C. Zoning Permits- Brunton Construction

Community Comment:

- Ken Kunz was present to bring a few items to the councils' attention. He started by saying he's noticed a lot of cars on properties. Mayor Hollerich noted that the police department is constantly working to try to eliminate them. Kunz's second concern was the lack of house numbers on houses in Mapleton. He stated that it is a city ordinance and wanted to know how residence get this kind of information. Clerk Duncanson said that residents can sign up to get city emails and she can add house numbers to the next city newsletter.

Unfinished Business:

- None

New Business

- A. **Resolution 04-02-22 Bartenders:** The Municipal Liquor store needs additional part-time staff. Clerk Duncanson and Liquor Store Manager Weise interviewed and would like to hire two part-time bartenders: Victoria Breiter and Lindsay Williams. **Councilor Froehlich moved and Councilor Malone seconded to adopt Resolution 04-02-22 approving the hire of two part-time bartenders. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Froehlich, Malone, Maslakow, Warner and Hollerich. Nay: none. Motion Carried.**

- B. **Blue Earth County Agreement:** Public Works Supervisor Chaffee shared an updated copy of the construction agreement with Blue Earth County for the 2022 Street Project. The only change is an

increase in cost. Chaffee explained that the County has noticed projects are becoming more expensive because of a higher cost of materials and construction companies struggling with employment. **Councilor Froehlich moved and Councilor Warner seconded to approve the updated agreement with Blue Earth County. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Froehlich, Malone, Maslakow, Warner and Hollerich. Nay: none. Motion Carried.**

- C. Resolution 05-02-22 Part-Time Public Works:** Chaffee shared that there were two applicants for the part-time on-call snow removal employee for the Public Works Department: Brandon Wendlandt and Karmen Bartholomew. Chaffee stated that both are qualified and understand the nature of the job. **Councilor Malone moved and Councilor Maslakow seconded to adopt Resolution 05-02-22 approving the hire of two part-time on-call snow removal public works employees. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Froehlich, Malone, Maslakow, Warner and Hollerich. Nay: none. Motion Carried.**
- D. Resolution 06-02-22 Promotion:** Jake Thompson has obtained all required licenses to become a sewer and water operator. Thompson will move to licensed sewer and water operator step 5 on the pay scale. **Councilor Froehlich moved and Councilor Malone seconded to approve Jake Thompson's promotion. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Froehlich, Malone, Maslakow, Warner and Hollerich. Nay: none. Motion Carried.**
- E. Gambling Request:** Clerk Duncanson shared that St. Teresa's Catholic Church is requesting the city's approval for a gambling permit for bingo. **Councilor Froehlich moved and Councilor Warner seconded to approve the gambling request. Roll Call Vote: Aye: Froehlich, Malone, Maslakow, Warner and Hollerich. Nay: none. Motion Carried.**

Councilor Froehlich moved and Councilor Malone seconded to adjourn the meeting. All present voted in favor thereof. Motion carried. Mayor Hollerich adjourned the meeting at 6:19 p.m.

Recorded by Sarah Moore, Deputy Clerk

John Hollerich, Mayor

Amber Duncanson, City Clerk