



**Regular City Council Meeting
Monday, February 22, 2020 at 7:00 pm**

Adrian Government Center, Council Chambers, 209 Maine Avenue, Suite 106, Adrian, MN

1. **Call to Order:** Mayor Faber called meeting of the Adrian City Council to order at 6:59 p.m.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. **Roll Call:** City Council members present: Mayor John Faber, Ron Lonneman, Joe Hornstein, Tracey Kunkel, and Dean VonHoltum.
Department Heads: Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer Jill Wolf and Police Chief Shawn Langseth.
Staff: Community Assistant Associate Megan Vortherms and Deputy Clerk Rita Boltjes.
Guests: Deb Kroon, Nobles County Review; Don Wolf, Resident; Andrew Curley, Jason Sax, and Eric Householder, Midcontinent Communications.
4. **7:00 Public Hearing for Variance**
 - o Mayor Faber called hearing for variance to order at 7 p.m.
 - o David Boltjes approved of the plans. Council had no questions. Motion to approve the variance made by VonHoltum, second by Kunkel. 5/0
 - o Motion to adjourn the Public Hearing was made by VonHoltum, second by Lonneman. 5/0
5. **Midco Communications**
 - o Andrew Curley presented a franchise agreement to provide phone, internet, and cable services within the City of Adrian. Currently they have fiber running through Adrian and provide service to Sanford Clinic per an agreement made with Sanford. Midco makes a force for good in the towns they service and also have grants twice a year for communities they service also. Company is based out of Sioux Falls, SD and provides services to four hundred communities. There is an office located in Fairmont and are looking to hire a Field Technician in the area. Construction in Adrian would take about six to eight weeks. Horstein asked about pricing. They are comparable and compete with Vast. Horstein also asked if there would be a cost to the customer for the fiber to be brought up to their household. Midco stated they do not charge the customer for this and have along enough wire to provide to anyone in town. Council thanked Midco for presenting and will discuss the agreement.
6. **Consent Agenda:** Motion by Lonneman, second by VonHoltum motion, Kunkel abstained, carried 4/0 to approve the City Finances, Minutes and Permits/Licenses.
 - Finance:**
 - Accounts Payable; February 2021
 - City Finances; January 2021 (PUC 1/2021 for information purposes)
 - Parr-McKnight; Fire Relief Account Balance – January 2021
 - Minutes:**
 - Approved:
 - Council- 1/25/2021
 - Ambulance – 2/1/2021
 - Park – No Meeting
 - Fire – 2/3/2021
 - Fire Relief Association- 2/3/2021 (annual meeting)
 - PUC – 2/11/2021 (planning meeting) 2/16/2021 (regular)
 - HRA – 2/17/2021
 - Permits / Licenses:**
 - Zoning: #
 - 1) Donald Wolf; 409 West 5th Street- addition to attached garage (variance)
 - Gambeling: LG200 Applications:
 - 1) LG220 Application from Adrian Country Club for a raffle to be held July 17, 2021
7. **Administration/Community Development** –
 - AMI Project Update:** The water meter deployment has been delayed until further notification. Eaton is testing our meters and nodes to determine if new programming will be required for radio frequency compatibility.
 - Midco Diving & Marine:** Midco Diving & Marine were on-site at the Water Tower on Friday, February 5th to complete the inspection and cleaning. The top of the tower was iced over, and divers were unable to enter the tank. A new date will be rescheduled.

2021 Street Projects: updated preliminary (proposed) plans for a 2021 street improvement project were reviewed. It was decided that the street project will move forward, and all council will take a look at the problem areas and report back. Motion was made by VonHoltum to move forward, second by Kunkel. 5/0.

Community Resource Meeting: A meeting was held this past month including several representatives from different sectors of the community. The meeting was facilitated by Love, Inc. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss unmet needs in the community and existing resources or needed resources to fill those gaps. The group broke out into smaller groups to discuss more in depth and brainstorm needs and potential solutions. The group is planning to meet again in the next month to determine the next steps to keep the initiatives moving forward. The priorities identified from most needed is as follows: Mental Health; Childcare; Work Opportunities & Training; Multi-functional, combined Active Living Center for Older Adults and Teen Center; Resource Tree; Newcomer's Group; Homecare Support for Older Adults; Public Transportation; Grocery Access; Laundry Access; Carwash; Used Furniture Ministry.

Homemaker & Chore Services Grant: The City of Adrian has been awarded a grant to provide homemaker and chore services to residents over the age of 60. The City will partner with local contractors and service providers to perform the homemaker and chore services. All residents over the age of 60 will be eligible to receive snow removal, lawn maintenance, light housekeeping, and laundry services either for free or a minimal cost-share charge.

Suedkamp Addition: 12 lots have been sold and 4 are sale pending.

Police Dept – Langseth stated the police department is on a waiting list for a vehicle, preferably a Ford Explorer. Council asked if anything was being done about the snowmobiles in town. A resident had asked due to them going right through her side yard and neighbors' front yards.

Public Works/Utilities – Included in Wolf's report.

8. Community Concerns

- **201 Indiana Ave-**

9. Sidewalk Accessibility- MN Department of Human Rights sent a letter stating that the investigation was completed, and they determined there is No Probable Cause to believe the City has engaged in an unfair discriminatory practice.

10. Approval of Request for Hay Bids- Motion made by Kunkel, seconded by Hornstein to open the hay bid and decide how many cuts can be made after researching the options more. 5/0

11. Lease for City Burning Dump – Motion made by VonHoltum, second by Kunkel to do the same as the year before. 5/0

12. Resolution Supporting Pursuit of 2020 Local Road Improvement Program Funds- Motion made by VonHoltum, second by Hornstein. 5/0

13. Resolution Accepting Donations to the City of Adrian; Fire Department- Will accept these donations twice a year. Motion made by Hornstein, second VonHoltum. 4/1 Lonneman apposed.

14. PVL Insurance Renewal- Motion made by Kunkel, second Lonneman 5/0.

15. Proclamation- Governor Walz has proclaimed Monday, February 22nd as Supermarket Employee Day.

16. Past/Other Business

- Maps of Suedkamp Addition- listing sales. Pending sales, and remaining lots.

17. Next Regular Council Meeting: By consensus, the Council acknowledged Monday, March 22 2021 at 7:00 PM, within the Council Chambers of the Adrian Government Center, as their next Regular Meeting date, time and location.

18. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m. Motion made by Kunkel, second Von Holtum. 5/0.

/s/ Jill Wolf; Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer

/s/ John W. Faber; Mayor