



Common Council Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, December 8, 2020, 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order
Called to order at 6:30 p.m.
2. Roll Call
Mayor conducted roll call. Council members present: Tyler Kulig, Barb Schmidtknecht, Cheryl Braatz, Neil Isakson, David Kellam, Jim Kafer. Also present staff Michelle Copley, Gil Adams
3. Approval of Minutes of November 10, 2020 Common Council Meeting
Motion/second (Kellam/Schmidtknecht) to approve minutes from the November 10, 2020 meeting as presented. Passed unanimously.
4. Old Business – Discussion and possible action
 - a. Recycling Service Fee
Discussion of the proposed \$3 per month per household, per month recycling fee. Schmidtknecht made clear this fee is not only for those getting curbside pickup but will also help offset cost of staffing and maintaining the recycling center, and the cost of pickup of materials from the center. Billing for the recycling will be included on quarterly utility bills.
Motion/second (Kulig/Kafer) to add the \$3 per month recycling fee to the fee schedule beginning in April, 2021.
Motion/second (Kulig/Kellam) to amend the original motion as follows: add the \$3 per month per dwelling unit recycling fee to the fee schedule beginning in April, 2021. Passed unanimously
 - b. Recycling Ordinance
Schmidtknecht reviewed an updated version of Ordinance #57, Regulating the Separation, Recycling and Disposal of Waste. After much discussion council suggested edits to the ordinance as follows: Delete 'or residents of surrounding townships' in part 2A and delete reference to lead acid batteries.
Motion/second (Schmidtknecht/Kellam) to repeal Ordinance #57 and replace with Ordinance #63, Regulating the Separation, Recycling and Disposal of Waste, subject to the above edits.
Passed unanimously.
5. New Business – Discussion and possible action:
 - a. Revising 2020 Budget and purchase of Public Works truck through Ford Fleet Program
SugarLoaf Ford is offering a program that allows us to purchase a new Ford F350 at the cost of \$31,200 then to trade in that truck for a new one each year as long as we are enrolled in the program. Price is adjusted for \$2,000 for the existing Silverado. Purchase will require a budget amendment to use capital funds.
Motion/second (Kellam/Schmidtknecht) to amend the 2020 purchase, using \$31,200 of capital funds to purchase a Ford F350 from SugarLoaf Ford. Passed unanimously.
 - b. City Beautification Projects
Kellam shared a presentation of potential beautification projects for the city. With Xcel restricting use of poles for hanging flower baskets he is proposing purchase of self-watering

planters for placement on sidewalks. Businesses will be encouraged to 'adopt' a planter and volunteers utilized for upkeep.

Motion/second (Kellam/Braatz) to use the approximately \$1,500 in flower fund to purchase six self-watering planters with contingency of verifying easements and liability in regards to placement with City attorney. Passed unanimously.

6. Accounts Payable

Motion/second (Braatz/Isakson) to approve payment of accounts payable as presented. Passed unanimously.

7. Adjourn

Motion/second (Kulig/Schmidtknecht) to adjourn at 8:15 p.m. Passed unanimously.