

CITY OF WATERLOO COMMON COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES: March 4, 2021

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1. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & ROLL CALL. Mayor Quimby called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Alderpersons present: Rhynes, Schoenwetter, Kuhl, Griffin, Thomas, Stinnett and Petts. Others attending remotely or in-person: Ryan Rostad; Mark Herbst; Don Nell; Janae O'Connell; Amber Gerber with the Courier; Fire Chief Wes Benisch; Utility Superintendent Barry Sorenson; Police Chief Denis Sorenson; Assistant Public Works Director Chris Hauptli; WLOO videographers; and Clerk/Treasurer Hansen. The pledge of allegiance was recited.
2. MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL: February 18, 2021. MOTION: Moved by Schoenwetter, 2nd by Petts to approve the minutes. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
3. CITIZEN INPUT / PUBLIC COMMENT. None.
4. NOTICE OF PUBLISHED NOTICES: 4/06/2021 Spring Election – a) Official Notice For Voting By Absentee Ballot; b) Public Test Of Voting Equipment; and c) Location And Hours Of Polling Place. Noted.
5. MEETING SUMMARIES. Brief verbal summaries provided for each.
 - a. 2/22 Fire/Emergency Medical Services
 - b. 2/23 Plan Commission
 - c. 3/4 Public Works & Property Committee
 - d. 3/4 Public Safety & Health Committee
6. RECOMMENDATION OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES AND COMMISSIONS
 - a. Public Safety & Health Committee
 - i. Request To Fill Open Police Officer Position Hiring Randy B. Burns. DISCUSSION: Thomas said Burns was currently with the Brooklyn Police Department and was certified. MOTION: Moved by Thomas, seconded by Schoenwetter to authorize the hiring of Randy Burns as a police officer on a one-year probationary basis effective March 15, conditioned upon Burns passing physical and psychological tests. Ayes: Schoenwetter, Rhynes, Kuhl, Thomas, Griffin, Stinnett and Petts. Noes: none. Motion carried.
7. NEW BUSINESS
 - a. Council Confirmation Of Mayoral Appointment – Janae O'Connell To The Community Development Authority To Fill An Unexpired Term Ending In 2021. MOTION: Moved by Thomas, seconded by Petts to confirm the appointment. VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
 - b. Resolution #2021-06 Awarding A Contract For 2021 Street And Utility Improvements. DISCUSSION: In response to a Quimby question, Mitch Leisses said the start date may be mid-summer with a construction meeting in the next several weeks. He noted the nursery's seasonal Adams Street truck flow. MOTION: Moved by Petts, seconded by Schoenwetter to approve the resolution as presented. Ayes: Schoenwetter, Rhynes, Kuhl, Thomas, Griffin, Stinnett and Petts. Noes: none. Motion carried.
8. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
 - a. Comprehensive Plan Update Is In Progress. Noted.
9. ADJOURNMENT. Moved by Schoenwetter, seconded by multiple to adjourn. Motion carried. Approximate time: 7:14 p.m.



Attest:
Mo Hansen, Clerk/Treasurer