

**LOWELL TOWN COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 26, 2021**

The regular meeting of the Lowell Town Council was called to order on Monday, July 26, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. by President Todd Angerman. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by a moment of silence. Administrative Assistant Gena Lauridsen called the roll. Members present were Todd Angerman, Shane Tucker, and John Yelkich. Councilman Michael Gruszka and Councilman John Alessia were absent. Also present were Public Works Director Kevin Gray, GIS Director Greg White, Town Attorney David Westland via Zoom, one member of the press, and four interested citizens.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Yelkich made a motion to approve the work session, executive session and regular meeting minutes from July 12th, seconded by Councilman Tucker and carried with three ayes.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

President Angerman recommended approval of White Vouchers #10790 - #10838, White-Police #6114 - #6120, Water #2547-#2572, Waste Water #4443- #4473 and Stormwater Utility #7077 - #7080. Councilman Yelkich made a motion to approve the vouchers as listed, seconded by Councilman Tucker and carried with three ayes on roll call vote.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

2nd reading - Ordinance #2021-21 - Stephan Reif Farm Annexation - Councilman Tucker made a motion to adopt Ordinance #2021-21, by name and title only, seconded by Councilman Yelkich and carried with three ayes on roll call vote.

2nd reading - Ordinance #2021-22 -Additional Appropriation - PO Grant - \$ 4,635.07 - Councilman Yelkich moved to adopt Ordinance #2021-22 by name and title only, seconded by Councilman Tucker and carried with three ayes on roll call vote.

2nd reading - Ordinance #2021-23 - award bidding practices - Public Works Projects - Councilman Tucker moved to adopt Ordinance #2021-23 by name and title only, seconded by Councilman Yelkich and carried with three ayes on roll call vote.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Appointment to Plan Commission/Police Commission - Councilman Yelkich moved to appoint Manny Frausto to the Plan Commission to fill a term until December 31, 2021. The motion was seconded by Councilman Tucker and

carried with three ayes.

Councilman Tucker moved to appoint John Gruszka to the Plan Commission to fill a term until December 31, 2022. The motion was seconded by Councilman Yelkich and carried with three ayes.

Councilman Tucker moved to appoint LeAnn Angerman to the Police Commission to fill a term until December 31, 2023. The motion was seconded by Councilman Yelkich and carried with three ayes.

The other Police Commission appointment will be addressed at the next regular meeting.

2020 Street Improvements - Approve Pay Request #6 - Dyer Construction - \$167,966.81 less retainage and approve White Voucher #10839 to Dyer Construction - \$151,170.14
Councilman Yelkich moved to approve Pay Request #6 and White Voucher #10839 for payment, seconded by Councilman Tucker and carried with three ayes on roll call vote.

Act on request for additional funds for Resident Project Representative Services - \$14,500 - SEH - Councilman Yelkich moved to approve the additional funds of \$14,500, seconded by Councilman Tucker and carried with three ayes on roll call vote.

Tabled from previous meetings:

3/22 Contract with Lake County Sheriff's Department for animal contract services -
04/26 Proposal of Community Garden -No update.

NEW BUSINESS

Lowell Labor Day Festival Committee - Louis Townsley, 16339 Broadway -
Mr. Townsley asked if a sponsorship would be available for the Labor Day Festival again this year from the Town, and if the Town was interested in purchasing stand-alone sanitizing stations that could be used for the festival as well as other Town events. He stated the Committee was going to purchase them this year but did not have the funding for it. Mr. Townsley explained that last year's sponsorship was used for a fish fry that was held at the American Legion as well as a car cruise since the Labor Day festivities were cancelled due to Covid. He mentioned that they did come to a meeting in March to ask for the sponsorship but had not heard back from the Council since. President Angerman stated they would need to ask Clerk-Treasurer Judith Walters if there was available money for a sponsorship this year. Councilman Yelkich asked if Mr. Townsley has a number in mind for the sponsorship. Mr. Townsley stated that \$1,500 would be a good spot, or if the Town was interested in sponsoring a specific event for the festival, that would be great as well. He stated they would like to know soon about the sponsorship in order to advertise the Town as a sponsor on their banners. A discussion was held amongst the Council regarding making a motion for the sponsorship contingent on what funds were available.

Councilman Tucker made a motion to approve a \$1,500 sponsorship contingent on

discussing what funds were available with Clerk-Treasurer Walters, seconded by Councilman Yelkich and carried by roll call vote 3-0.

Award 2021 Community Crossing Grant Bid - Three bids had been received for the 2021 Street Improvements - Milestone Contractors North, Inc - Griffith - \$1,126,295.40; Town & Country Construction Inc., Demotte - \$1,380,960.55; and Dyer Construction Company, Dyer - \$1,399,931.90. Town Manager Craig Hendrix had recommended awarding the bid to Milestone (formerly Walsh & Kelly) as the lowest and most responsible and responsive bidder. Councilman Yelkich moved to award the 2021 Community Crossing Grant to Milestone Contractors North in the amount of \$1,265,295.40, seconded by Councilman Tucker and carried with three ayes on roll call vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

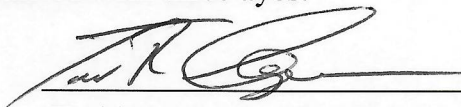
President Angerman announced the next regular meeting will be held on Monday, August 9, 2021 at 7:00 P.M.

MEDIA QUESTIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chuck Abraham, Lowell Tribune, asked which streets were part of the 2021 Community Crossing Grant. Public Works Director Kevin Gray stated that a list is posted on the Town's website. Mr. Abraham then asked what the additional funds to SEH were for that were approved. President Angerman stated that they had to extend the construction schedule for the 2020 street project, which resulted in extra engineering costs. Mr. Abraham stated his final question was regarding LeAnn Angerman's appointment to the Police Commission. He asked if she was allowed to be on the Commission since she works for the County. President Angerman stated she would not be allowed to be in a position where she would have to be elected since she works for the Election Board at Lake County, however since she is being appointed to a position, that is allowed.

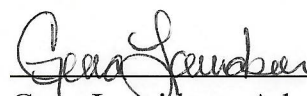
ADJOURNMENT

No further business, Councilman Yelkich made a motion to adjourn at 7:22 P.M., seconded by Councilman Tucker and carried with three ayes.



Todd Angerman, President

Attest:



Gena Lauridsen, Admn Assistant