LOWELL TOWN COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING APRIL 25, 2022

The regular meeting of the Lowell Town Council was called to order on Monday, April 25, 2022 at 7:00 P.M. by President Todd Angerman. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited followed by a moment of silence. Clerk-Treasurer Judith Walters called the roll. Members present were Michael Gruszka, Todd Angerman, John Alessia, Shane Tucker and John Yelkich. Also present were Town Manager Craig Hendrix, Police Chief Jim Woestman, GIS Director Greg White, and Town Attorney David Westland. Also present were one member of the press and three interested citizens.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilman Tucker made a motion to approve the regular meeting minutes and work session minutes from April 11th, seconded by Councilman Alessia and carried with five ayes.

APPROVAL OF VOUCHERS

President Angerman stated he had reviewed White Vouchers #10390 - #10440, White-Police #1065 - #1071, Water #2185 - #2191, Waste Water #4233- #4259, and Stormwater Utility #6041 - #6048. Councilman Gruszka moved to approve the vouchers as listed, seconded by Councilman Tucker and carried with five ayes on roll call vote.

ORDINANCES & RESOLUTIONS

1st reading - Ordinance #2022 -07 - amend 2022 Salary Ordinance - Public Defender - \$500.00/monthly - Councilman Alessia moved to hold Ordinance #2022-07 aside for a second reading, seconded by Councilman Gruszka and carried with five ayes on roll call vote.

Resolution #2022-06 - Transfer of Funds - withing Planning & Building Budget - \$2,500.00 for fuel - Councilman Yelkich moved to adopt Resolution #2022-06, seconded by Councilman Gruszka and carried with five ayes.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Tabled from previous meetings: 11/08/21 - Enter into professional agreement with Etica Group This item remains tabled.

NEW BUSINESS

Act on Compliance with Statement of Benefits CF-1 Real Estate & CF-1 Personal Property - Life Spice and Ingredients LLC - Councilman Gruszka moved to approve the CF-1 Compliance Forms for Real Estate and Personal Property for Life Spice and Ingredients, seconded by Councilman Yelkich and carried with five ayes on roll call vote.

Act On Heritage Falls Bonds -

Phase 2 Maintenance Bond K09516517 - release bond of \$50,815.00

Phase 3 Unit 1A Maintenance Bond K15464483 - release bond of \$14,608.69

Phase 3 Unit 1B Maintenance Bond K15464483 - release bond of \$15,495.56

Phase 3 Unit 2 Maintenance Bond K15464501 - release bond of \$183,795.08

Councilman Gruszka moved to approve the bonds as stated, seconded by

Councilman Yelkich and carried with five ayes on roll call vote.

Act on recommendation from Plan Commission - PC#22-002 - rezone from R2 to PUD - West of Mohawk Drive - 16 acres Councilman Gruszka moved to approve the rezoning for MCA Properties on Mohawk Drive, seconded by Councilman Tucker and carried with five ayes on roll call vote. A Zoning Ordinance will be adopted at the next regular meeting.

Christian Jorgensen, Lake County 7th District Councilman, stated he was pleased to announce the \$1.1 million dollar award of ARP funds to the Town for the extension of the sanitary sewer line to Lake Prairie School. He presented a Resolution that the project received unanimous support of the Lake County Council. Mr. Jorgensen said regarding the letter the Town had received from the Lake County Board of Commissioners stating they aren't able to appropriate funds to another fiscal body and Lowell won't receive the funds is not true; and he will fight for south Lake County. He stated the Commissioners want all the money to go to Calumet Township and they are prepared to enter into a legal battle with them for the funds for Lowell and Crown Point. Councilman Jorgensen stated the money has been encumbered in their General Fund, and they will revoke the Commissioners funds if need be. He stated it is a great project and Lowell should proceed with plans.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

President Angerman announced the next regular meeting will be held on Monday, May 9, 2022 at 7:00 P.M.

MEDIA QUESTIONS/PUBLIC COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

No further business, Councilman Alessia made a motion to adjourn at 7:13 P.M., seconded by Councilman Gruszka and carried.

Todd Angerman, President

Attest:

Judith Walters, Clerk-Treasurer