

Thursday, October 27, 2022
7:00 p.m.

Special Meeting
Lake View Municipal Building

The Lake View City Council met in special session on Thursday, October 27, 2022 at the Lake View Municipal Building. The meeting was called to order by Mayor John Westergaard at 7:00 p.m. Roll call was taken: Present: Councilors Dale Boeckman, Mike Frank, Ken Steinkamp, and Dave Woltman. Councilor Tami Moeller participated via telephone.

Also present: Dean Woltman, Nancy Muhlbauer, Eric Haakenson, Chris Jochims, Colton Selk, Vickie Toms, Mary Ludwig, Dale Wegner, Don & Peg Derner, George Mohrhauser, Jim Millenacker, LaJean Olson, Dick & Jane Croll, Judy Kramer, Carol Roth, Cliff & Lori Wendt, Vernon VanMeveren, Russ & Deann Buddin, Susie Frank, Bill & Joyce Farley, John Smith, Kay Montano, Deb Woerdehoff, Dean Tiefenthaler, Chris & Carmen Brotherton, Amanda Bengford, Darlis Brincks Jensen, Jim Jensen, Hannah Walton, Gary Kruse, Randy & Janelle Schulte, Gus Cleveland, Chris Mason, Jerry Waldrup, Kelly Bierl, Corey Weber, and Dean Stock. Seven people attended via videoconference.

Hire Police Officer

Motion by Boeckman, second by Steinkamp, to approve Resolution # 22-28: "Resolution Hiring Police Officer and Establishing Wage" with the addition of a non-compete clause. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Water Plant Valve

Utilities Superintendent, Dean Woltman, discussed the needed replacement of an automatic valve in the Water Plant. The cost is \$11,185. Motion by Boeckman, second by Frank, to approve the purchase of the valve. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried. This will be paid from Local Option Sales Tax funds.

Sac Co. Endowment Grant Applications:

The Council discussed three potential projects for which the City could seek Sac County Endowment Foundation funding: (1) the Community Center grading & green infrastructure; (2) refurbishing the mini-golf course; and (3) replacing the digital sign by the bike arch. There was a large amount of public input on the proposal relating to the Community Center.

Jim Millenacker: Discussed the green infrastructure installation as a water quality feature for the future. He also asked the Council to consider the ramifications of hampering volunteer fundraising.

Wes Niles, BHLPA President, stated that the LPA is in support of this grant for green infrastructure and has committed \$5,000 in matching funds for this. He spoke of the many partners that have worked together for a successful lake project.

Brent Mueggenberg, Lake View Hometown Pride President, attended via videoconference. He stated that they support the green infrastructure project even if the property is used for something other than a Community Center.

Jim Jensen: Questioned why the City would decline grant money to address low impact development issues.

Vickie Toms: Stated that she has worked with many different community committees, and that they have never before been told they can not apply for a grant.

Mary Ludwig: Stated that the Hometown Pride Committee has been working on this issue for a long time and that the Community Center will increase tourism and will bring in more patrons for local businesses.

Chris Mason, President of Sac Co. Tourism & Development, spoke of the many good works being done in Lake View and encouraged folks to keep it going.

Gus Cleveland stated that he is not in favor of a City-owned Community Center and, based on the results of a mailed survey, the community is also not in favor. He requested that the issue be put to a referendum.

Judy Kramer stated that seasonal residents are an important component of the community and their input is valuable.

Janelle Schulte questioned whether the WQI grant funds need to be returned if the Community Center is not built. The City Clerk/Administrator responded that the funds would not need to be reimbursed.

Randy Schulte asked if the Boulders group gets to keep the green infrastructure if they re-purchase the land. Mayor Westergaard stated that the answer was yes.

Darlis Jensen spoke about the Community Center as a wedding venue and stated she would have loved to have the facility here for a recent wedding.

Councilor Frank commented that he does not think the Community Center will be financially successful.

Councilor Woltman commented that the Community Center would be built with grants & donations and he is confident that a Community Center can make it. He also commented that there are other projects for which the City needs to seek grant funding – specifically the mini-golf course and the digital sign.

Motion by Woltman, second by Steinkamp, that the City submit applications to the Sac Co. Endowment Foundation for the Community Center grading & green infrastructure, refurbishing the mini-golf course; and replacing the digital sign. Roll call vote: All ayes. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.

John Westergaard, Mayor

Scott Peterson, City Clerk/Administrator