

# NOTUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Regular Session: Monday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022

## 1. Meeting Called to Order

Mayor, David Porterfield called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

## 2. Roll Call

Roll call was taken with the following results: Council President, Steve Ahlborn, Councilwoman Bonnie Emly, and Councilman Devin Krasowski, present. Mayor Porterfield, City Planner, Antonio Conti, and Mike Woodworth from Mountain Waterworks, all present. Authorized absentees were Council woman, Michelle DeGiorgio, and City Attorney.

## 3. Pledge of Allegiance

## 4. Public Concerns/Comments, limited to 3 minutes each

NONE

## 5. Consent Agenda, ACTION ITEMS

### 5.1 Disbursement List

Krasowski motioned to approve the disbursements as listed for 5-2-22 of \$1,205.55 and \$11,312.36. Emly seconded. Roll call was taken with the following results: Krasowski; yes, Emly; yes, Ahlborn; yes. Motion carried.

### 5.2 Council Meeting Minutes

Krasowski motioned to approve the meeting minutes from 4-18-22. Ahlborn seconded. Roll call was taken with the following results: Krasowski; yes, Ahlborn; yes, Emly; yes. Motion carried.

### 5.3 Committee Meeting Minutes: Library, Community Events

NONE

## 6. Business Items

### 6.1 Donation Request, Sherlyn Rueda, ACTION ITEM

Mayor introduced Sherlyn Rueda, Junior at Notus High School. She applied for and was selected to attend a one week, 8 hours a day summer camp at Harvard for MEDscience program in Boston, MA. She will be doing "hands on" learning about how to stitch, insert tubes and learn medical terms. She shared letters of recommendation and her acceptance letter with Council. With such short notice she has been able to raise about \$1,000 so far towards her goal of \$2,500 for tuition, that she needs by May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2022. She currently has donation jars at her family's taco truck in Parma and one at the Garage Café. She asked for a donation towards her tuition costs. Krasowski stated that he thinks she is wonderful. He also explained how City budgeting works and that this year's budget was set last year. It's not as easy as saying that's a good cause and giving money. He would like to explore the possibility of future scholarship sponsored programs available from the City. He would like to see her be able to go. He feels the City could afford a small donation, not as much as she would need but something. Ahlborn stated that in the past Council has given reductions in fees owed to the City, so perhaps there is something Council can do. Emly asked Mayor if there was any line item they could draw from. Mayor stated there is a contingency amount for miscellaneous things that we can't foresee, in certain funds. Krasowski would like to reward the persistence, bravery, and determination of Sherlyn. Ahlborn stated that he sees this as a relationship builder between the City and the Notus School District, which is outside of City limits. Krasowski commented that it shouldn't feel this guilty about doing what's right. Mayor suggested at least \$200. Ahlborn commented his number was much higher. Emly suggested \$500 and would like to see something like this in the budget (if we can). Discussion. Krasowski motioned to give \$500 from the contingency money out of the General Fund to Sherlyn towards her tuition to attend the MEDscience summer camp at Harvard. Emly seconded. Emly disclosed that Sherlyn is a friend of her granddaughters. Roll call was taken with the following results: Krasowski; yes, Emly; yes, Ahlborn; yes. Motion carried.

## **6.2 Transportation Engineering Agreement, ACTION ITEM**

Ahlborn would like more time to review for content and spelling errors. Topic will be brought back to the next Council meeting.

## **6.3 City Wide Clean Up, Update**

Mayor commented that the large dumpster was very full, close to overflowing. Another dumpster was brought in to transfer the overflow on Monday. Hardin Sanitation treated us very well and covered the extra dumping fee. Maintenance Assistant, Cleve Clucas suggested in the future setting a time limit and then haul off the same day. Someone to monitor to prevent the overflow and the dumping of approved items only. Ahlborn suggested to have two dumpsters instead of reducing the time. Maybe plan better and have volunteers to help monitor the trash.

## **6.4 Water Facility Plan, Update**

City Engineer, Mike Woodworth reported that the water facility plan draft was submitted to IDEQ. IDEQ sent them suggestions, they are adding those to it now and then it will go to public comment. Council will review and may select improvements/alternatives for the drinking water system.

## **6.5 Open Space Ordinance, ACTION ITEM**

Krasowski motioned to dispense with the rule requiring ordinances be read on three separate days and once in full, and that the ordinance be read once, by title only. Emly seconded. Roll call was taken with the following results: Krasowski; yes, Emly; yes, Ahlborn; yes. Motion carried. City Clerk read Open Space ordinance #473 by title only. Krasowski motioned to approve ordinance #473 Common Open Space. Ahlborn seconded. Roll call was taken with the following results: Krasowski; yes, Ahlborn; yes, Emly; yes. Motion carried.

## **6.6 Rezoning, Amending of Comprehensive Plan and Amending Zoning Ordinance, ACTION ITEM**

Ahlborn motioned to dispense with the rule requiring ordinances be read on three separate days and once in full, and that the ordinance be read once, by title only. Krasowski seconded. Roll call was taken with the following results: Ahlborn; yes, Krasowski; yes, Emly; yes. Motion carried. City Clerk reads Rezoning, Amending of Comprehensive Plan and Amending Zoning Ordinance #474 by title only. Ahlborn motioned to approve Ordinance #474 Rezoning, Amending of Comprehensive Plan and Amending Zoning. Emly seconded. Roll call was taken with the following results: Ahlborn; yes, Emly; yes, Krasowski; yes. Motion carried.

## **6.7 Street Projects:**

### **A. Current Summer Projects, ACTION ITEM**

Mayor reviewed upcoming projects. Crack seal and micro seal Kremmwood subdivision rescheduled from last summer at an estimated cost of \$11,147.00. Seal cracks on City Hall parking lot paying special attention to area around street lights. May need to install drain to pull standing water off street and parking lot. Need to enlarge drain on north side of building to handle more water since it becomes overwhelmed. It was suggested to use the landscape area as a collection site. Northside parking area has a recurring sink hole area which needs to be investigated as to the cause and permanently fixed. To prevent further damage caused by water to roadway along Notus Road near intersection of Elgin, we would do crack sealing along the area. This would be done at the same time as Kremmwood since Boswell would be in town anyway. Council agrees to move forward with estimates and planning of these items.

### **B. COMPASS Grant Application, ACTION ITEM**

Mayor reviewed the grant opportunity for design and preliminary plans for widening Jasper Ave. This would include widening, drainage, and sidewalks. We already have preliminary design plans for improvement for Notus Road and 1<sup>st</sup> Street using this same type of grant money. These types of plans are a needed requirement as the first step towards in improving our streets. City Planner suggested looking into newly released Lhtac funding for child safety pedestrian grants. Ahlborn liked the idea since Jasper Ave is where Tower Park is located. Krasowski motioned to pursue CAMPASS grant application. Ahlborn seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

7. **Mayor & Council Comment**

Emly stated that the irrigation in Kremmwood is off due to another broken pipe.

8. **Adjournment**

Ahlborn motioned to adjourn at 8:55 pm. Emly seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by Loretta Vollmer, City Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

Approved by David Porterfield, Mayor \_\_\_\_\_