

City of East Bernard
Board of Alderman
Minutes of Regular Meeting
20 September 2021

Present:

Marvin R. Holub, Mayor
David Tomchesson, Alderman Pos 1
Shawn Farrell, Alderman Pos 2
Andrew Webster, Alderman Pos 3
Jonathon Szymanski, Alderman Pos 5
Audrey Searce, City Secretary

Absent:

Eric Viktorin, Alderman Pos 4

CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum of the Board members present, Mayor Marvin Holub called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, September 20, 2021 in the Union Room of the Prosperity Bank Building.

INVOCATION

Mayor Holub gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Holub led the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC HEARING

The public hearing was opened at 7:00 p.m. There were no comments made during the public hearing and it was closed at 7:03 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- ◆ There were no public comments.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Holub reported as follows:

- ◆ Mayor Holub reported the property of County Road 291 is being cleaned and the portable bathroom has been mounted and will be ready to use soon.
- ◆ Alderman Webster questioned the progress of implementing inspections throughout the City of East Bernard. Mayor Holub is planning a meeting with the county judge to see what needs to be done to take over permitting and to ensure it's something we can do financially. Alderman Webster requested this be brought up as an agenda item at the next board meeting.

CITY SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Searce reported on the all three grants. The American Rescue Plan Act grant meetings are beginning and there will be more information at the next meeting regarding this grant. The CDBG grant happening on FM 1164 is on scheduled. The GLO grant has approval to close and pay remaining invoices. Financials were reviewed. There were no comments or concerns.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL THE MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 16, 2021 REGULAR MEETING.

Mayor Holub asked if there were any corrections or concerns about the minutes as read. There was no discussion of the minutes. Alderman Farrell made a motion, seconded by Alderman Tomchesson to approve the August 16, 2021 minutes. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

DISCUSS AND/OR APPROVE ORDINANCE 2021-004-ORDINANCE ADOPTING 2021-2022 BUDGET.

Mayor Holub asked if there were any comments regarding the ordinance as presented. Alderman Webster asked to discuss the software income line one more time. After discussion, it was decided to leave the line item as is. Alderman Tomchesson made a motion to approve Ordinance 2021-004 as read, seconded by Alderman Farrell. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL ORDINANCE 2021-005-ORDINANCE ADOPTING 2021-2022 TAX RATE.

Mayor Holub asked if there were any comments regarding the ordinance as presented. Alderman Webster made a motion to approve Ordinance 2021-005 as read, seconded by Alderman Farrell. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL ORDINANCE 2021-006-ORDINANCE AMENDING 2005-010: PLAT FEE SCHEDULE.

Secretary Searce presented the ordinance that was reviewed and suggested by our attorney with the new fees. Alderman Farrell made a motion to approve Ordinance 2021-006 as written, seconded by Alderman Tomchesson. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL THE FY 19-20 AUDIT.

Mr. Stogner with Baker, Stogner & Associates was unable to attend. This agenda item was tabled until next month.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL RESOLUTION 2021-04-RESOLUTION CREATING A NEW BANK ACCOUNT FOR CORONAVIRUS LOCAL FISCAL RECOVERY FUNDS.

Secretary Searce explained to the Board that this is necessary for proper expenditure recordkeeping. Alderman Szymanski made a motion to approve Resolution 2021-04 as presented, seconded by Alderman Webster. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR AWARD BID FOR LEAN-TO ADDITION AT COUNTY ROAD 291.

Mayor Holub presented two bids he received for a possible lean-to addition at the city facility on County Road 291. Boettcher-Hlavinka came in at \$17,698 and Prochaska Construction came in at \$17,602. Alderman Webster made a motion to award Prochaska Construction with the bid presented, seconded by Alderman Farrell. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL STREET CLOSURES ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2021

Secretary Searce explained that it has been successful in the past to close Clubside Drive for Halloween. This year, we are requested to close Fitzgerald Street and Pietzsch Street for the Halloween Festival and Trunk or Treat festivities the First Baptist Church and the First United Methodist Church host. Alderman Szymanski made a motion to approve the requested street closures, seconded by Alderman Tomchesson. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ANY APPROPRIATE ACTION ON DRAINAGE STUDY RFQS.

After much discussion, this agenda item was tabled for a future decision.

ADJOURNMENT

Alderman Tomchesson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Szymanski to adjourn the Regular session. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

These minutes are approved on the 18th day of OCTOBER, A.D. 2021.

ATTEST:


AUDREY SCEARCE
CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED:


MARVIN R. HOLUB
MAYOR