

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MINUTES

August 16, 2021 immediately following the City Council meeting at 7:00 PM.

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ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT	ELECTED OFFICIALS ATTENDING BY TELECONFERENCE	ELECTED OFFICIALS ABSENT	STAFF PRESENT	STAFF ATTENDING BY TELECONFERENCE
Bruno Hruby Kilburg Kosirog Maladra Marks Mayer Swanson Burns (Chair)		Burghart Kaven Godskesen	Dawkins McCready Sandack Van Gyseghem Johnson	

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mayor Burns called the meeting to order at 9:22 PM, noting Ald. Burghart, Kaven were absent, and the remaining 8 aldermen were in attendance in chambers.

2. Approve the Minutes from the August 2, 2021 Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Moved by Ald. Swanson, seconded by Ald. Kosirog to approve the measure as presented.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote 8/0 with two absent.

3. Items of Business

a. Consider Draft Resolution Authorizing Execution of an Engineering Agreement with Baxter & Woodman Consulting Engineers for a Wastewater Plan Digester Condition Assessment in an Amount Not to Exceed \$27,640.00.

Moved by Ald. Marks, seconded by Ald. Bruno to approve the measure as presented.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote 8/0 with two absent.

b. Consider Draft Ordinance Authorizing the Extension of Municipal Water Service to the Property Located at 33W929 E. Roosevelt Road Without Annexation.

Moved by Ald. Mayer, seconded by Ald. Hruby to approve the measure as presented.

In response to a question from Ald. Bruno whether connections such as these pay a higher rate, Adm. Dawkins responded that used to be the case, but that was found to be illegal, so these customers pay the same rate as properties within the city.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote 8/0 with two absent.

c. Consider Draft Resolution Authorizing Acceptance of the 2021 Employee Benefit Plan Renewal Effective November 1, 2021.

Moved by Ald. Kilburg, seconded by Ald. Mayer to approve the measure as presented.

Ald. Swanson asked for clarification of the actions taken that reduced the original cost increase from 18.9 down to 7%. Boomer Whipple from Lundstrom Insurance explained that rates were up largely because claims were up, and also somewhat due to Covid. Lundstrom had approached several carriers for quotes, and this competition helped the city receive rate relief from Blue Cross/Blue Shield. Replacing two HMO plans into one, and having significant numbers of employees enrolled in HMO also helped hold costs down. Swanson expressed concerns about potential future cost increases and Whipple described other tactics the city could use in the future to help keep costs lower.

Roll Call:

AYES: 8 (Ald. Bruno, Hruby, Kilburg, Kosirog, Maladra, Marks, Mayer, Swanson)

ABSENT: 2 (Ald. Burghart, Kaven)

NAYS: 0 MOTION CARRIED

4. New Business and Public Comment

None

6. Adjournment

Moved by Ald. Kosirog to adjourn the Committee of the Whole meeting.

MOTION CARRIED by voice vote 8/0 with two absent.

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 PM

- *Submitted by City Clerk Godskesen*