

Woodward City Council Minutes

November 16, 2020 Special Session

Mayor Folkerts called the November 16, 2020 SS meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll Call: Present; Stone, Gough, Kirts, Patel and Bustad.

2) Motion Bustad, approve the agenda with an addition of 4.1 to go into Emergency Closed Session, 2nd Kirts, MCU.

Mayor Folkerts addressed the community regarding the tragedy that happened in Woodward on Monday. Please keep everyone impacted by the accident in your thoughts and prayers.

3) Kirts motion to discuss Resolution 2020-34 Resolution approving a Bond Purchase Agreement for the sale of General Obligation Annual Appropriation Sewer Improvement and Refunding Bonds, Series 2020 thereunder and authorizing call of outstanding Bonds, 2nd Stone, MCU. Michael Maloney was on Zoom to explain and offer the GO bonding numbers. The City is using an Annual Appropriation Debt to achieve everything the Council wants to do with the loan. This offer is to restructure the current SRF water loan to include the new West Lift Station in the amount of \$2,120,000. There are two pieces to the loan. The first one is the lift station portion of the bond; it will model the approval of the Development Agreement to be paid back by TIF payments the City will receive in the future. The second piece is the restructuring of the SRF water loan for payments to be around \$100,000 a year going forward and leveraging some sales tax dollars to help pay for it. The loan will be for 20 years with an interest rate of 2.36%. The first payment will be June 1, 2021, which follows the current SRF loan payment date. The City Council can discuss each budget year going forward, how to make this payment with different revenues and potentially give a break to water users. During the next meeting, when the Development Agreement is approved, the issuance resolution for the bonds can be approved also. The mostly likely dates for that will be either November 23rd or the 30th. Regardless of the date the closing will happen on Dec. 10th. Kirts motioned to approve Resolution 2020-34 Resolution approving a Bond Purchase Agreement for the sale of General Obligation Annual Appropriation Sewer Improvement and Refunding Bonds, Series 2020 thereunder and authorizing call of outstanding Bonds, 2nd Bustad. Roll Call Ayes; Stone, Gough, Kirts, Patel, Bustad

4) Bustad motion to waive pay for special session, 2nd Patel. Roll Call Ayes; Gough, Kirts, Patel, Bustad, Stone, MCU.

Stone motioned to go into Emergency Closed Session, 2nd Kirts. MCU

Kirts motioned to come out of Closed Session, 2nd Stone. MCU

5) Mayor/Council Comments: Patel inquired about having another open burning weekend because of the high winds we had the last two weekends. Mayor Folkerts will think about it. There are two trailers by the city shed that can be used for sticks and leaves/grass. Kirts has noticed many properties with tree debris that haven't been cleaned up yet.

Mayor Folkerts updated the Council regarding an insurance check that was received from the Derecho storm of about \$174,000. This check was for debris cleanup only, not the structure damage that still needs to be repaired. Still working with FEMA on reimbursement from the storm. Gough inquired about stump grinding on the trees that have been removed. Kirts asked if the tree removal is being covered by insurance or FEMA. The Mayor said the cost of the removal needs to be monitored, because the City doesn't want to be put in a situation where insurance has maxed out and FEMA isn't going to cover it. Mayor Folkerts spoke to the Council regarding the terrible accident at the school today. There are five members of the reserve police program that are currently in training. It will be up to Joe, Shane and Chris how best to get them out there when they're ready. Each of those members need to give the City 8 hours a month, 40 hours total a month that can be utilized. With that being said,

equipment is needed. An email was received, by the City Clerk, regarding the COVID-19 expenses and reimbursement from the CARES Act today for about \$34,000. This reimbursement money is for police and equipment that was purchased because of COVID. Because of COVID-19 and the Derecho the police budget is about \$10,000 over. The CARES money will be able to reimburse that. The Mayor believes one of the equipment shortfalls is radios. There aren't radios available right now to accommodate the future need. The Mayor is looking at a Motorola 8000 model radio for about \$3400 a piece. The Mayor is asking the Council to consider ordering 4 new radios for about \$14,000 out of the COVID reimbursement and not the general fund. Communication is a big benefit to our police dept. The radios would be run through Dallas County dispatch and Dallas County would program them. The Council gave the Mayor approval to continue to look into the Motorola radios.

Kirts motioned to adjourn at 8:05 pm, 2nd Stone.