

PUBLIC NOTICE
Madrid City Council 5.1.21 Min

MADRID CITY COUNCIL
MAY 1, 2021
10:00 A.M.

The City Council meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. with Mayor Tom Brown presiding.

Present at Roll Call: Steve Burich, Marvin Ostrander, Chuck Rigby and Lane Shaver. Absent: Nate Samples

Other City Officials Present: City Administrator/Clerk Kristen Renslow, Public Works Director Scott Church, Library Director Angie Strong, and City Attorney Mark Powell.

Motion by Councilperson Shaver, second by Councilperson Rigby to approve the agenda for May 1, 2021.

Ayes: Burich, Ostrander, Shaver, Rigby

Motion Carried

No member of the Council wished to declare a conflict of interest.

Motion by Councilperson Burich, second by Councilperson Rigby to open a public hearing regarding the 2021 Streets Micro-surfacing Project.

Ayes: Burich, Ostrander, Shaver, Rigby

Motion carried

Rob Allen with SEH, Inc. was present and told the Council four bids were received for the project and all were reviewed by SEH, Inc.

Motion by Councilperson Shaver, second by Councilperson Burich to close the public hearing.

Ayes: Ostrander, Rigby, Shaver, Burich

Motion carried

Motion by Councilperson Ostrander, second by Councilperson Shaver to approve the City Council meeting minutes for April 19, 2021.

Ayes: Burich, Ostrander, Rigby, Shaver

Motion Carried

Motion by Councilperson Rigby, second by Councilperson Shaver to approve the claims for May 1, 2021 in the amount of \$241,979.49

Ayes: Burich, Ostrander, Rigby, Shaver

Motion Carried

Vern Carpenter of 112 N. County Line Road provided an update on the cleanup work at this property. Inside walls are torn down on trailer #10 and the frame and axle of trailer #3 should be removed from the property. The short-term goal before the June Council meeting will be to finish clean-up of trailer

#3, remove trailer #10 and work on outside clean-up.

Don Lincoln provided an update for the Friends of the Trail. All canopies have been built over the picnic tables in time for the 10th anniversary of the opening of the High Trestle Trail Bridge. The REAP grant bridge project that will span over the creek connecting box town and Dalander Park has been ordered. Assembly will be required. Mayor Brown and the Council complimented the design of the canopies. Friends of the Trail also mentioned that the Madrid Fire Department burned the prairie area for them.

The Madrid Area Chamber of Commerce is in the process of getting businesses signed up as members. The group has hired an individual to help with marketing ideas. The group has selected a Volunteer of the Year which will be announced at a later date.

Councilperson Rigby advised that after speaking with Walters Sanitation and in order to do a clean-up day, the date would have to be in September or October as they are booked up and dumpsters are in such high demand. The Council needs to decide what materials the City is willing to accept and be aware that if the clean-up day is on a Saturday, the dump closes at 11:00 a.m. and dumpsters would have to be held until the following Monday. Councilperson Rigby is in the process of obtaining additional information and the Council will need to decide if the City will place dumpsters at a designated location or offer curbside pick-up of materials. Councilperson Shaver discussed the Boone County Landfill community clean-up tip fee waiver request form. Mayor Brown asked City Attorney Mark Powell to provide his legal perspective on the community clean-up. Attorney Mark Powell mentioned to make sure to limit the scope on what materials the City will accept and likes the idea of a secure drive through location for the dumpsters.

Motion by Councilperson Burich, second by Councilperson Rigby to approve the renewal of liquor license for Flat Tire Lounge.

Ayes: Ostrander, Rigby, Shaver, Burich

Motion carried

Motion by Councilperson Burich, second by Councilperson Shaver to approve a tax abatement for 516 S. Market Street.

Ayes: Ostrander, Rigby, Shaver, Burich

Motion carried

Rob Allen with SEH, Inc. was in attendance to discuss the 2021 Street Micro-surfacing project. Rob advised the Council that the City received four bids for the project and recommends to award the contract to the lowest bidder ASTECH, Corp in the amount of \$263,310.60. Discussion was held on why the bid was so low compared to other bids and if the Council is required to accept the lowest bid. Mayor Brown asked City Attorney Mark Powell to provide a legal opinion. Attorney Powell advised the Council can accept the low bid or reject all bids and request a new bid letting.

Motion by Councilperson Shaver, second by Councilperson Ostrander to approve and award the 2021 Street Micro-surfacing project to the lowest bidder, ASTECH, Corp.

Ayes: Rigby, Shaver, Burich, Ostrander

Motion carried

Public Works Director Scott Church asked what the Council's thoughts are on Christmas lights/decorations. Discussion was held on waiting to purchase any new items until items are paid from the derecho. Further discussion can be held when those items have been paid. Another option would be to start a fund drive for the lights. Church reported that the front axle of the backhoe snapped when pushing at the dump and had to be fixed. Church contacted the insurance company and it wouldn't be covered because it is considered wear and tear on the equipment. Mayor Brown asked how many hours the backhoe was used during the derecho. Church advised the hours used are included in the hours sent to FEMA. The asphalt overlay project will start next week and residents that would be affected have been notified. The alley ways have been rocked and concrete at the park entrance was poured. Church advised work will be done at 501 5th Street to fix a City drainage issue. Councilperson Rigby thanked Church for following up on the issue.

Library Director Angie Strong reported the library will be open more and the meeting room will be available for use once a day at half capacity. Strong asked that the public not congregate in large groups in the library and stay socially distanced. Hot spots will soon be

available for check out. The library will receive \$21,000 for the next fiscal year from the Supervisors, which is an increase from last fiscal year. The library is waiting for two more bids to replace lights. The summer reading program is being planned and they are very excited to start the program back up.

Mayor Brown reported a city administrator/clerk has been hired. City Attorney Mark Powell advised the City needs to update its code of ordinances to reflect a definition update and add powers and duties to the city administrator position. Mayor Brown and City Attorney Powell will work on a new ordinance.

Mayor Brown led discussion on updating the ordinance for changing the day regular Council meetings are held. Mayor Brown recommended to move forward with an update to the ordinance to have regular Council meetings the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month. Discussion was held on changing the meeting start time from 5:30 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. for both Monday Council meetings.

Don Lincoln mentioned an idea of reaching out to Madrid alumni to see if there is an interest in alumni classes purchasing a tree to be planted in the park to replace those trees lost in the derecho. Mayor Brown provided a contact person to discuss the project.

Councilperson Ostrander wanted to thank Bayer for coming to Madrid and offering free tree saplings to residents. Councilperson Rigby thanked Councilperson Burich for working with the Labor Day committee on getting Bingo started up again and welcomed Kristen Renslow to the community.

Councilperson Shaver said the Madrid Bakery is looking forward to continuing to cater food on a weekly basis for Bingo and welcomed Kristen Renslow in her new role.

Mayor Brown has spoken to City staff and all are comfortable reopening City Hall to the public. This will be on the agenda for the next Council meeting.

Motion by Councilperson Shaver, second by Councilperson Rigby to adjourn the meeting at 11:29 a.m.

Thomas W. Brown, Mayor

Attest:

Kristen E. Renslow, City Administrator/Clerk