

CITY OF MONTEVIDEO
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
May 15, 2023

The city council met in regular session Monday, May 15, 2023 in the council chambers at city hall. Council President Schmidt called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council members present: Nathan Schmidt, Bryce Curtiss, Steve Sulflow, Beverly Olson and Dan Sanborn. Absent: None. Mayor Erich Winter present.

Also present: City Manager Robert Wolfington, City Attorney Janice Nelson and City Clerk Glennis Lauritsen.

It was moved by Curtiss, seconded by Sulflow and unanimously passed to approve the agenda, with the following modifications:

MODIFY: 5A) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF VERIFIED CLAIMS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING MAY 11, 2023 IN THE AMOUNT OF ~~\$179,811.23~~ \$251,019.72.

The revised list reflects the following additions:

LIQUOR

Dahlheimer Beverage - Inventory	\$ 1,834.30
Dahlheimer Beverage - Inventory	12,510.02
Johnson Brothers Liquor Co. - Inventory	5,329.14
Madison Bottling Company - Inventory	4,181.46
Phillips Wine & Spirits	4,962.11
Southern Glazer's of MN - Inventory	4,861.46
Southern Glazer's of MN - Inventory	2,783.48

MISCELLANEOUS

Clearway Community Solar - Solar bills	32,564.74
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UTILITY

Hawkins, Inc. - Chlorine, Sulfur Dioxide	2,181.78
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ADD: 5C) **CONSIDER APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY JAYME & ERICH WINTER REQUESTING USE OF FIVE (5) PARKING SPACES IN FRONT OF 562 SOUTH 1ST STREET IN SOUTHTOWN PLAZA FOR OVERFLOW FROM A GRADUATION PARTY ON SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2023, 2:00-8:00 P.M.**

ADD: 7D) **CONSIDER RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A \$30,000 RURAL COMMUNITY CHILD CARE GRANT AND AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF GRANT AGREEMENT.**

It was moved by Sanborn, seconded by Olson and unanimously passed to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 1, 2023, as presented.

4. Notices/Communications/Announcements or Appearance of Interested Citizens.

- Evan Carlson appeared via ZOOM to discuss possible future development of land in the Ost Addition currently owned by Robert Kurtzbein. The land is zoned Agricultural, located within Sparta Township and is governed by an Orderly Annexation Agreement between the township and the city.

Carlson explained that he is a small, private developer who has entered into a purchase agreement with Kurtzbein for 40 acres of land for a possible solar garden development. He stated that he would not pursue the project without city support. He also noted that under the language of the purchase agreement, he would lose earnest money if the property was annexed. City Attorney Nelson noted that the land would not automatically be annexed under this agreement; rather, the city would have to take action to do so.

Carlson stated that if the project were to move forward, development would not occur for 1-1/2 years with the solar garden encompassing only 30 acres of the land, leaving 10 acres open for other uses. Carlson stated he would be interesting in possibly conveying the extra acreage to the City of Montevideo for future commercial development.

Council member Sanborn asked whether a solar garden would have any effect on the airport property. City Manager Wolfington indicated that a glare study had been performed, with negative results.

It was the consensus of the council that it is unknown whether the community would support a solar garden at this location; however, they fully supported commercial development in this area.

Mr. Carlson thanked the council for its time and stated he would keep in touch with city staff on the matter.

5. Consent Agenda.

It was moved by Sulflow, seconded by Olson and unanimously passed to approve the following consent agenda items:

- 5(A) VERIFIED CLAIMS FOR THE PERIOD ENDING MAY 11, 2023 IN THE (MODIFIED) AMOUNT OF \$251,019.72.
- 5(B) APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY CCM WELLNESS CENTER/CCM HEALTH FOR USE OF CITY STREETS & BIKE TRAIL FOR A FIESTA 5K RUN/WALK ON SATURDAY, JUNE 17, 2023, 7:30-11:00 A.M.
- 5(C) APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY JAYME & ERICH WINTER FOR USE OF FIVE (5) PARKING SPACES IN FRONT OF 562 SOUTH 1ST STREET IN SOUTHTOWN PLAZA FOR OVERFLOW FROM A GRADUATION PARTY ON SATURDAY, JUNE 3, 2023, 2:00-8:00 P.M.

6. Public Hearings.

- None.

7. General Business.

7(A) POSTAGE METER LEASE & MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT.

Staff explained that the city's current postage equipment lease with Quadient Leasing will expire at the end of the month. A new 60-month lease was drafted for upgraded equipment, which reflects State of Minnesota contract participation. A separate maintenance agreement was also proposed with Dakota Business Solutions (the same provider as in previous years.)

The existing monthly lease payment is \$151.69, which included maintenance. The monthly lease payment for the new machine would be \$111.13 and the monthly maintenance payment would be \$47.00, for a total of \$158.13/month. In addition, the first year's maintenance is free of charge.

It was moved by Curtiss, seconded by Sanborn and unanimously passed to authorize the mayor and city manager to execute the agreement documents.

7(B) TALKING WATERS FIESTA STREET EVENT.

Two applications were submitted by Nick Patton, dba/Talking Waters Brewing Company, for their annual outdoor event on Friday, June 16, 2023, in conjunction with Fiesta Days. The event includes closing main street, between Nichols & Canyon Avenues, and outside music. The state application would allow the brewery to serve its product off-site and the local application would allow the use of city property (streets/sidewalk).

It was moved by Olson, seconded by Sulflow and unanimously passed to approve the submission of the state application for a 1-4 Day Temporary On-Sale Liquor License for the proposed event.

It was moved by Sanborn, seconded by Curtiss and unanimously passed to approve the city Application for Temporary On-Sale License for Special Event, subject to receipt of any/all required documents, including a certificate of insurance covering ALL areas to be used for the event and naming the city as an additional insured.

7(C) VFW OUTDOOR EVENT.

VFW Post #380 submitted an application to allow an on-site, outdoor event on Saturday, June 17, 2023. The VFW is hosting the annual Fiesta Days event that coincides with the Fire Department's annual raffle activity. Such an accessory use requires a permit from the council.

It was moved by Sulflow, seconded by Sanborn and unanimously passed to authorize the issuance of the permit, as requested.

7(D) CHILD CARE GRANT.

City Manager Wolfington explained that the city has received a \$30,000 Rural Community Child Care Grant from First Children’s Finance to be used for new daycare development in the community. In addition, the MCDC approved a \$15,000 match for the program. Acceptance of the grant must be approved by resolution of the council.

It was explained that the funding would be used for two new daycare “pod models,” one at 223 South 1st Street to contain three (3) “pods” and another to contain two (2) “pods” at 1206 Benson Road. The pod model is a new type of license for family child care providers that allows multiple providers to operate in one building without operating as a center but with shared resources.

BRYCE CURTISS OFFERED RESOLUTION NO. 3864, A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GRANT, AND MOVED ITS ADOPTION. MOTION FOR ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 3864 WAS SECONDED BY DAN SANBORN. THOSE VOTING IN FAVOR OF MOTION: BRYCE CURTISS, DAN SANBORN, BEVERLY OLSON, STEVE SULFLOW AND NATHAN SCHMIDT. THOSE VOTING AGAINST MOTION: NONE. RESOLUTION PASSED 5-0.

8. Ordinances.

- None.

9. Discussion and Miscellaneous.

- Council member Curtiss asked that the public works department be encouraged to begin spraying for mosquitos.
- City Manager Wolfington stated that repair work has begun on the city hall front stair replacement project.
- It was noted that Lagoon Park is not yet open due to the spring flooding issues, but it is hoped that it will open early June. A new on-line campground registration service will be offered so that campers will be able to reserve a spot ahead of time.

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Meeting adjourned at 7:28 P.M.

Glennis A. Lauritsen, Secretary

Approved by council June 5, 2023:

President - City Council