

The minutes of the Fairmont City Council meeting held on Monday, May 10, 2021 at the City Hall Council Chambers.

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, and the peace time emergency declared by Governor Walz, the meeting was held with limited capacity in City Hall and by teleconferencing pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 13D.021.

Mayor Deborah J. Foster called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Council Members Wayne Hasek, Britney Kawecki, Randy Lubenow, Michele Miller and Bruce Peters were present. Also, in attendance: City Administrator Cathy Reynolds, Public Works Director/City Engineer Troy Nemmers, Finance Director Paul Hoye, Police Chief Mike Hunter, City Clerk Patricia J. Monsen and Attorney Mark Rahrck.

Council Member Hasek made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Council Member Peters seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Reynolds presented the Parks and Recreation Survey results.

During Public Discussion/Comment, Paul Carlson and Christy Stone spoke about Marty's Youth Triathlon to be held on June 18 and the Fairmont Triathlon and Bacon Run 5K to be held on June 19.

Council Member Hasek made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Council Member Miller seconded the motion and the motion carried. Items on the Consent Agenda were: Minutes from the April 26, 2021 City Council Meeting; Event Permit for the VFW Post 1222 for the Memorial Day Parade on May 31, 2021; Event Permit for Interlaken Heritage Days on June 12, 2021; Event Permit for The Blazer Bar & Grill to hold the IHD Street Dance on June 12, 2021; Off Premises Sale of Intoxicating Liquor License for The Blazer Bar & Grill for IHD; Event Permit for Fairmont Triathlon Committee and Bacon Capital for Marty's Youth Triathlon on June 18, 2021; Event Permit for Kids Just Want to Have Fun for the Mini Golf Grand Re-opening on June 18, 2021; Event Permit for Fairmont Triathlon Committee and Bacon Capital for the Fairmont Triathlon & Bacon Run 5K on June 19, 2021; Event Permit for Grace Lutheran Church to hold church services at Sylvania Park Band Shell on June 20, July 18 and August 15, 2021; Event Permit for Jamie Kueker to hold Extreme Tour 2021 Concert on July 7, 2021; Event Permit for Grace Lutheran Church to hold Wednesday worship services at Sylvania Park Band Shell in July and August 2021; Event Permit for Tolstoy Society of Martin County to hold short story readings on July 15, 2021; Event Permit for Midco/American Cancer Society to hold Play4ACure Charity Softball Tournament August 6-8, 2021; and Authorization for the purchase of new electric meter testing equipment.

Council Member Miller made a motion to approve the assignment and assumption agreement with SMMPA for the electric vehicle charging stations. Council Member Hasek seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Nemmers reported that all the parks and restrooms are now open. Woodland Avenue closed today, and Fairlakes Avenue will be closed for approximately two weeks.

Hoye presented the First Quarter Financial Report.

Reynolds reminded council of the work session scheduled for May 24th at 4:00 p.m. to discuss Local Option Sale Tax utilization and making plans to move forward. She also advised that the draft outline from the Strategic Planning day will be going out to the council soon and she is hoping to bring it to the council meeting on June 14th for adoption.

Mayor Foster reported that the Housing and Redevelopment Authority has been working on goal setting as a Board. They are looking at how to bring more affordable housing to Fairmont.

Council Member Hasek stated that the Public Utilities Commission reviewed SMMPA's Electric Vehicle Charging Station Agreement and reviewed watermain breaks and the fixes that were done.

Council Member Lubenow reported that the Board of Zoning Appeals granted two variances.

A motion was made by Council Member Miller, seconded by Council Member Peters, and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 p.m.

Deborah J. Foster, Mayor

ATTEST:

Patricia J. Monsen, City Clerk