

OCTOBER 12, 2020
 CITY OF PLATO CITY COUNCIL
 REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Tracy Montgomery at 7:06p.m. on the 12th day of October, 2020, at the Plato Community Hall.

City Council members present: Stacy Sohns, Dennis Oltmann, VeeAnn Wood and Neil Engelmann

City Staff present: Public Works Director Scott Graupmann and City Clerk/Treasurer Gerri Scott

Guests: Lloyd Graupmann (PPC)

Motion: by DO to approve the agenda as presented. Second by SS. All in favor.

PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC FORUM

none

ACTION RELATING TO GUEST(S) PRESENT

none

Motion: by SS to approve the minutes of the September 14, 2020, regular City Council Meeting. Second by DO. All in favor.

REPORTS

Fire Department – none

Park and Recreation/Plato Baseball – none

Sheriff – none

Plato Planning Commission – Lloyd Graupmann briefly discussed the expansion project at Plato Woodwork, the property lines, and an easement agreement

Glencoe Wastewater Contract – none

Holiday Lights – VW reported they will be having a yard/house decorating contest. Signs will be given for the top 3 to display in their yard. They are pricing a banner for the County Rd 9 fence and decorations for the front of the community hall. The lighting celebration will take place outside November 28 at 6pm with Santa present. Plan is to do decorating the 14th or 21st. Central NHS group will help with takedown. Committee will meet again on October 20.

Community Hall (short term plan) – Will look at budget next meeting and determine if anything more will be done this year.

Ordinance Review – none

Equipment/Inventory – none

Liaisons Reports – Lions are not having Santa breakfast but are still making Santa goody bags and plan to hand them out at the November 28 lighting celebration.

Treasurers Report – **Motion:** by DO to approve the Treasurer’s Report as presented. Second by SS. All in favor. Council was provided with a current bank account balance/internal transfer report, transfer verification from the bank, and September timecards for SG and GS.

Approve Claims – The following claims were reviewed for payment:

Check No.	Date	Vendor	Name	Amount
14797	10/12/2020	19	CITY OF GLENCOE	\$146.78
14798	10/12/2020	19	CITY OF GLENCOE	\$8,085.21
14799	10/12/2020	38	GLENCOE CO-OP ASSN	\$218.32
14800	10/12/2020	46	HAWKINS, INC	\$5.00
14801	10/12/2020	74	MCLEOD PUBLISHING INC	\$36.80

14802	10/12/2020	80	MINNESOTA DEPT OF HEALTH	\$23.00
14803	10/12/2020	90	MNSPECT	\$404.67
14804	10/12/2020	91	PERA	\$390.17
14805	10/12/2020	120	WM MUELLER & SONS INC	\$8,316.00
14806	10/12/2020	214	MIDWEST PLAYSAPES INC	\$1,754.00
14807	10/12/2020	328	USA BLUE BOOK	\$80.55
14808	10/12/2020	342	GOPHER STATE ONE CALL	\$16.20
14809	10/12/2020	473	REINDERS, INC	\$320.85
14810	10/12/2020	504	MINI BIFF, LLC	\$114.24
14811	10/12/2020	544	GERALDINE A SCOTT	\$791.99
14812	10/12/2020	555	KEN'S EXCAVATION	\$247.00
14813	10/12/2020	562	GLENCOE FLEET SUPPLY	\$45.32
14814	10/12/2020	598	GRAUPMANN SCOTT	\$1,364.51
14815	10/12/2020	721	MID-AMERICAN RES CHEM	\$2,223.86
14816	10/12/2020	743	ULINE	\$187.86
14817	10/12/2020	795	MIDWEST PLAYGROUND	\$1,800.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT:				
3979	10/12/2020	679	ASPEN MILLS	\$44.58
3980	10/12/2020	689	JEFFERSON FIRE & SAFETY	\$840.00
3981	10/12/2020	715	BRENDA SCHULTZ CLEANING SERV	\$300.00
3982	10/12/2020	731	GRANITE ELECTRONICS INC	\$216.03
INTERIM CLAIMS PAID:				
14793	9/28/2020	544	GERALDINE A SCOTT	\$1,132.96
14794	9/28/2020	598	GRAUPMANN SCOTT	\$1,364.51
14790	9/28/2020	79	CENTERPOINT ENERGY	\$13.71
14791	9/28/2020	91	PERA	\$456.85
14792	9/28/2020	239	MCLEOD CO-OP POWER	\$97.09
14795	9/28/2020	732	VISA	\$260.84
14796	9/28/2020	777	TOSHIBA BUSINESS SOLUTIONS USA	\$75.02
	10/8/2020		US Treasury (online) September payroll tax deposit	\$1,286.64
	10/8/2020		MN Dept of Revenue (online) 3 rd Qtr Withholding	\$531.00
FIRE DEPARTMENT:				
3975	9/28/2020	79	CENTERPOINT ENERGY	\$52.40
3976	9/28/2020	92	PLATO C STORE	\$188.70
3977	9/28/2020	97	PLATO WOODWORK	\$38.01
3978	9/28/2020	453	CITY OF PLATO	\$156.43

Motion: by SS to approve payment of the above-stated claims. Second by NE. All in favor.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Motion: by NE to adopt Ordinance 92 as written/presented. Second by DO. All in favor.

GS provided an update on the CARES Funds and firehall renovation project. The interior project is nearly complete. Hoping to start on the vestibule next week. Preliminary estimates indicate the project will cost approximately \$10,000 more than the CARES funds. GS is checking on funds from one Township and the County. GS advised checks for all the project expenses would need to be cut October 26 or November 9.

NEW BUSINESS:

Preliminary 2021 budget items for Sewer Fund were discussed.

MAINTENANCE REPORT:

- SG reported there was a water leak by the warming/storage shed - the valve for the spicket used to flood the ice rink. SG stated they eliminated that water source as it was no longer being used.
- The catch basin on 2nd Avenue NW has been installed; Mueller's did the street repair around it; need to do curb repair
- After last council meeting, SG obtained additional information on the UPS units for the lift stations and the water tower. He was advised there was no yearly maintenance required, the battery would last 1-2 years and a replacement battery is approximately \$60. Quotes for the units: \$980 per unit from Quality flow and \$722 per unit from Electric Pump. OK by council to get units for the two lift stations from Electric Pump.

CLERKS REPORT

- GS advised the election canvass board will need to meet in November on Thursday (12th) in the afternoon or on Friday (13th) to certify the election results. Since SS and DO are on the ballot, the board will consist of TM, VW, and NE. A more specific time will be determined at the next council meeting.
- There is some cement repair that needs to be done by the fire hall. There is a sidewalk slab that needs to be replaced and the street gutter needs to be raised so the water does not stand. Estimated cost is \$1200 for the gutter and \$400 for the slab. Council is OK with these repairs.
- GS questioned whether the City would have any interest in a grant for a noise-barrier wall. There is only a small section that would possibly qualify. Council determined it was not needed.
- The hall event is going forward on October 17. The renters have been advised of the CDC guidelines. GS has arranged hall security.
- Discussion in regard to the current liquor licenses for LuLu's Lounge. Current owners questioned if there would be any amount refunded when the new owners take over. Council stated there is no pro-ration of the fee and discount was already given due to the COVID shutdown.
- Discussion of artwork in the City Office/entry and the Community Hall. Council agreed that local artists should be given priority and best if it was Plato related.

OTHER

none

Motion: by SS to adjourn meeting. Second by NE. Meeting adjourned at 9:29pm.

Tracy Montgomery
Mayor

Gerri Scott
Clerk/Treasurer