



City Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, June 1, 2020 - 7:00 PM

Cologne Community Center, 1211 Village Parkway

VIRTUAL MEETING URL: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85858636913>

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Vision Statement

The City of Cologne is a vibrant small town that respects its heritage, embraces its future and offers a high quality of life for all who live, work and visit our community.

Mayor: Matt Lein

Councilmember: Carol Szaroletta

Councilmember: Sarah Bruss

Councilmember: Rachel Lenzen

Councilmember: Nathan Kells

NOTE: AGENDA ITEMS ARE APPROXIMATE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE ACCORDING TO LENGTH OF DISCUSSION. TO ENSURE THAT YOU ARE PRESENT FOR ITEMS OF INTEREST, PLEASE ARRIVE AT 7:00 PM.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Lein called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Councilmembers Bruss, Kells, Lenzen and Szaroletta were in attendance. Also present were City Administrator – Jesse Dickson and City Clerk – Michelle Morrison.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Kells to adopt the agenda, second by Councilmember Bruss. Motion carried unanimously.

4. VISITOR'S PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, CORRESPONDENCE

5. ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed below are considered routine and non-controversial by the Council. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by a Councilmember, Staff or Citizen. If removed, the item will be discussed at the end of the regular agenda.

- a. May 18, 2020 City Council Minutes**
- b. June 1, 2020 Check Summary Register**
- c. May 26, 2020 Payroll Summary**
- d. Pounder's Bar Annual Liquor License Renewal App**

Motion by Councilmember Lenzen to adopt the consent agenda, second by Councilmember Szaroletta. Motion carried unanimously.

6. COUNCIL BUSINESS

a. Chief Nick Joos, Cologne Fire and Rescue

Chief Joos joined the meeting via Zoom. He shared that prior to the pandemic he was on the agenda to discuss a pay raise for 2020 for all Firefighters from the current \$10 per hour to \$11 per hour. The compensation is only for hours spent on training and on fire calls. The plan going forward would be to review one of the 3 different compensation areas each year. In 2021 the pension payout would be reviewed and in 2022 the officer salary would be reviewed. After discussion Councilmember Bruss made a motion to set the Firefighter salary to \$12 per hour effective January 1, 2020, second by Councilmember Kells. Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Joos also shared that with the Governor lifting the stay at home order, it is now up to local elected officials to make the decision on fire department training as a group. Currently all training is being done individually at home online. The department is split into 4 groups of 8-10 firefighters in each with a captain in charge. The Fire Chief would like to begin group training, in the Fire Hall that would include equipment checks. All Firefighters were surveyed on this plan and there is overwhelming support for this move to group training. The consensus of the Council was to allow Chief Joos the freedom to make the training decisions.

b. 2040 Cologne Comprehensive Plan Adoption

- i. Collaborative Planning Staff Memo**
- ii. Met Council Post Action Memo**
- iii. Met Council Committee Report**
- iv. Resolution 20-13 Adopting 2040 Comprehensive Plan**

After answering Councilmember questions about the Comprehensive Plan, Councilmember Bruss made a motion to approve Resolution 20-13 Adopting 2040 Comprehensive Plan, second by Councilmember Szaroletta. Motion carried unanimously

c. Splash Pad Update

The Council discussed calls that had been received asking if the Splash Pad would be opened. After discussion, the consensus of the Council was to keep the Splash Pad

closed until the Governor's restrictions on pools are lifted.

7. BOARD REPORTS

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Discussion was had on when Council workshops could begin again and if any projects could be started. All Councilmembers were asked to review the list of projects that had been discussed in earlier workshops and be prepared to discuss which of the projects they would be willing to work on individually until the workshops could be resumed in person. More discussion will be had at the June 15 meeting.

9. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

10. ADJOURN

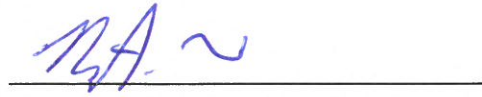
Motion by Councilmember Lenzen to adjourn at 8:00PM, second by Councilmember Szaroletta. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Attest:



Michelle M Morrison, City Clerk



Matt Lein, Mayor

