



City Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, October 19, 2020 - 7:00 PM

Cologne Community Center, 1211 Village Parkway

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 present. Also present were City Administrator – Jesse Dickson, City Clerk – Michelle Morrison and City Planner, Cindy Nash.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Kells to adopt the amended agenda with the removal of item F. Cable TV Franchise Agreement under Council Business, 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. October 5, 2020 City Council Minutes**
- b. October 19, 2020 Check Summary Register**
- c. October 13, 2020 Payroll Summary**
- d. Transfer of Inn Town Wine & Spirits Liquor Licenses**

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

6. COUNCIL BUSINESS

- a. Cologne Liquors LLC Off Sale Liquor Licenses Application and Cologne House Café On Sale Liquor Certification**

Administrator Dickson reviewed the city ordinance and state statute applicable to liquor license regulations with the Council. Jared and Jennifer Brewington introduced themselves to the Council, and spoke about their past restaurant ownership experiences, their current work in economic development for a nearby city, and commitment to develop the businesses in the community and help the downtown Cologne area thrive. Councilmembers Bruss and Lenzen shared concern about the addition of a 2nd liquor store in the small community. Administrator Dickson clarified that the number of Off Sale Liquor Licenses was not increasing, the Inn Town Restaurant had both on and off sale licenses, the new Cologne House Café at the location will only have an On Sale Certification and is operating the Off Sale License at the Cologne Liquors LLC location. Councilmember Kells stated that as a growing community he sees no problem with the request. Councilmember Kells made a motion to approve both the Off Sale and On Sale Liquor Requests subject to receipt of the background checks from Carver County and payment of all Licensing Fees, second by Councilmember Szaroletta. Motion passed 3-2. Councilmembers Bruss and Lenzen voting against.

- b. Winkler Crossing 3rd Addition Final Plat**
 - i. Resolution 20-23 Approving Winkler Crossing 3rd Addition**
 - ii. Collaborative Planning Staff Report 10-19-20**
 - iii. B&M Staff Memo 10-15-20**
 - iv. Collaborative Planning Staff Memo 9-3-20**
 - v. Winkler Crossing 3rd Addition Final Plat**

City Planner, Cindy Nash, updated the Council on discussions with Loomis Development around the Final Plat. Agreement had been reached on park dedication

with a parking lot that will have water and sewer stubbed in for a future public bathroom. Ms. Nash reviewed the document and recommended the City approve the final plat. Motion by Councilmember Bruss to approve Resolution 20-23 Approving Final Plat Winkler Crossing 3rd Addition with the discussed additional language in item #22 regarding park dedication and the addition of Exhibit B, second by Councilmember Lenzen. Motion carried unanimously.

- c. Winkler Crossing 3rd Addition Development Agreement**
 - i. Resolution 20-24 Approving Development Agreement**
 - ii. Winkler Crossing Developer's Agreement**

City Planner, Cindy Nash, updated the Council on discussions with Loomis Development on the Developer's Agreement for Winkler Crossing. Agreement had been reached on Section 3.05 concerning parkland dedication and recommended approval of Winkler Crossing Developer's Agreement. Motion by Councilmember Szaroletta to approve Resolution 20-24 Approving a Development Agreement for Winkler Crossing 3rd addition with the changes as discussed, second by Councilmember Lenzen. Motion carried unanimously.

d. Public Works Building Renovation

Motion by Councilmember Bruss to approve the Public Works Building Renovations bid from Vos Construction for \$14,000, second by Councilmember Szaroletta. Motion carried unanimously.

e. Nick Joos, Fire Chief - Fire Department Air Packs

Chief Joos provided an update to the Council on Fire Department activity noting that medical call volume is up since the Covid 19 Pandemic as people are foregoing regular doctor visits. Chief Joos told the Council that in the past few weeks, several neighboring fire departments have had discussion about the use of Cares funds to upgrade air packs for their departments. The department was planning on upgrading air packs in 2021 but is considering joining the other fire departments and buying the equipment through the HGAC Joint Purchasing Group with the Cares funds. He had received a quote of \$182,000. After discussion, Councilmember Bruss made a motion approving the purchase of air packs from Ultimate Safety Concepts at a cost not to exceed \$182,000 pending City Attorney approval of the HGAC contract, second by Councilmember Lenzen. Motion carried unanimously.

7. BOARD REPORTS

- a. September 2020 Sheriff Report**
- b. City Council Committees**

Councilmember Kells updated the Council on the project list that had been started prior to Covid 19 and virtual meetings and options on how to move forward.

c. Fitness Center Reopening Memo

City Administrator Dickson updated the Council on attempts to get additional bids for the drapery replacement for the Community Center. No other vendors were willing to bid the project. Motion by Councilmember Bruss to approve the bid for drapery replacement from Parties and Weddings Plus for \$8,015.00, second by Councilmember Lenzen. Motion carried unanimously.

City Clerk Morrison reviewed the plan to reopen the Fitness Center on October 26th offering a special for existing members to not be charged until Jan 15th and for new members to pay the initial sign up fee, but not be charged for membership until Jan 15th. The consensus of the Council was to move forward with the plan.

8. ANNOUNCEMENTS

9. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

10. ADJOURN

Councilmember Lenzen made a motion to adjourn at 8:48PM, second by Councilmember Kells. Motion carried unanimously.


Respectfully Submitted:

Attest:



Michelle M Morrison

City Clerk



Matt Lein

Mayor