

**City of Cologne
August 1, 2016**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a rescheduled regularly council meeting was held on August 1, 2016 at the Cologne Community Center. Mayor Scott William called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Councilmembers, Carol Szaroletta, Don Meyer and Jeff McInnis were present, Councilmember Kyle Evenski was absent. City Administrator Jesse Dickson, City Clerk Sue Mueller were present.

ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Meyer seconded by Szaroletta to approve the agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

- a) July 18, 2016 Council Meeting Minutes
- b) June 18, 2016-July 29, 2016 Expenditures
- c) July 26, 2016 Expenditures

Motion by Szaroletta seconded by Meyer to adopt the consent agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

VISITORS

- a) Deputy Dave Murphy and Sergeant Peter Anderley from the Carver county Sheriff Department came and introduced themselves to the Council.

COUNCIL BUSINESS

a) Jake Saulsbury, Bolton & Menk-Water Treatment Facility

Jake Saulsbury, Engineer-Bolton & Menk updated the council on factors impacting the proposed Water Treatment Facility. Saulsbury explained the bids were opened for both the well and the facility, but he is recommending a re-bidding process be completed due to one of the bidders contesting the bids.

Jake Saulsbury explained water funds may potentially be available, but at this time it is based on whether a special session is called at the legislature. Saulsbury was unsure if Cologne would be available to receive funding if through a grant process even if funds were available.

Motion by McInnis, seconded by Meyer to reject the bids received for the Water Treatment Facility and rebid. Motion passed unanimously.

City Administrator Jesse Dickson explained finalizing a water rate plan should be a priority prior to approval of a PFA loan. Dickson emphasized the need for the water fund to remain sustainable. The PFA wants the city to cover water debt with water revenue for the enterprise fund to function like a business.

Council discussed rate increase options provided from the Springsted Water Rate Study. Mayor Scott Williams advocated for an increase in a user fee initially and in the future increasing the rates gradually. Councilmember Jeff McInnis suggested a smaller increase in the user fee and gradually increase rates. No action was taken.

b) O'Neil Follow-up

City Administrator Jesse Dickson provided information regarding the use of the gym. Council directed Administrator Dickson to send a letter to the family and suspend two individuals from the gym for six months. The individuals will be suspended from the use of the gym until January 1st, 2017. Council also discussed options for adding additional security to the gym doors.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

ANNOUNCEMENTS

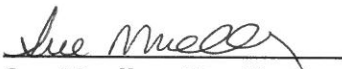
City Administrator Jesse Dickson reported the Salary Study from Springsted is completed and will be discussed at the next Council meeting.

Councilmember Carol Szaroletta asked when a Budget Workshop can be scheduled? Administrator Jesse Dickson responded a workshop can be scheduled in September.


ADJOURN MEETING

Motion to adjourn by Szaroletta, seconded by McInnis to adjourn the meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,


Sue Mueller, City Clerk

ATTEST:


Scott Williams, Mayor