



## City Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, February 1, 2021 7:00 PM

Cologne Community Center, 1211 Village Parkway

**VIRTUAL MEETING URL:** <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4240249600>

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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

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**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, and Szaroletta were present via Zoom. Also present via Zoom were City Administrator - Jesse Dickson, City Clerk – Michelle Morrison, Jake Saulsbury – City Engineer and Planning Commissioner applicant – Jenn Brewington. Councilmember Lenzen was absent.

### **2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **3. ADOPT AGENDA**

Motion by Councilmember Bruss to adopt the agenda as presented, second by Councilmember Szaroletta. 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. January 19, 2021 City Council Minutes**
- b. January 28, 2021 Check Summary Register**
- c. February 1, 2021 Check Summary Register**
- d. February 2, 2021 Payroll Summary**

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

#### **6. COUNCIL BUSINESS**

- a. Jake Saulsbury, Bolton & Menk**
  - i. 2020 Street Reconstruction Update**

Jake Saulsbury updated the Council on the street project being 75% complete and that \$5.9 million of the \$6.5 million bond funds have been spent. He then reviewed a list of possible change orders that could be included as the project was coming in under budget. Councilmember Bruss made a motion to approve the list of change orders as presented totaling \$34,900.00, second by Councilmember Kells. Motion carried unanimously. The public hearing for the assessments will be held in September of 2021.

- ii. Highway 284 Retaining Wall Memo**

Mr. Saulsbury reviewed his memo to the Council on the scope of the Highway 284 retaining wall project and a proposed project schedule. Councilmember Kells made a motion authorizing the advertising for bids for the project, second by Councilmember Szaroletta. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. Jenn Brewington, Planning Commission Applicant**
  - i. Planning Commission Application Questionnaire**

Mayor Lein introduced Jenn Brewington to the Council who reviewed her qualifications and expressed her desire to serve on the Planning Commission. Councilmember Szaroletta shared with the Council that the Planning Commission had spoken with Ms.

Brewington at their meeting earlier in the evening and recommended that the City Council appoint Ms. Brewington to the Planning Commission.

**7. BOARD REPORTS**

**a. 2020 Annual Sheriff Report**

**8. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Councilmember Kells raised concerns about parking lot lights for the eastern parking lot at Cologne Academy and at the on ramp to Hwy 212 at the intersection of Hwy 36. After discussion it was agreed that Administrator Dickson would provide the most recent estimate to add lights to the parking lot to Councilmember Kells to discuss with Cologne Academy staff and also reach out to Diane Langenbach, the City's district representative from Mn DOT, to get an update on a light for the on ramp.

Mayor Lein and Councilmember Szaroletta shared with the Council the discussions held during the Planning Commission meeting earlier in the evening regarding claims of noncompliance with City Ordinances at Freedom Storage. Councilmember Bruss made a motion that the City engage Cindy Nash, City Planner, to address the claims of ordinance violations, second by Councilmember Kells. Motion carried unanimously.

City Administrator Dickson shared with the Council that Rep. Jim Nash would like to attend an upcoming meeting and that there will be a Community Growth Partnership Application to act on in the near future for a County CDA grant.

**9. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

**10. ADJOURN**


Motion by Councilmember Szaroletta to adjourn at 7:49 PM, second by Councilmember Bruss. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Attest:



Michelle M Morrison  
City Clerk



Matt Lein  
Mayor