

07/26/2021

The special meeting of the Stuart City Council was called to order on the above date at 6:00 pm by Mayor Cook. Present were Council Members Askren (over the phone) Kalbach, Belden, Glass, and Renslow. Also present were City Administrator Ashour, Deputy Clerk Morgan, City Attorney Steve Brick, Public Works Director Henderson, Kory Guisinger, Andrew Anderson, Shane Martinson, Eric Coop, Matt Scott, Norma Thurman, Alberta Jirak, Katie Guisinger, Kevin Guisinger, Suzie Belding, Josh Sebern, Mark Tigges, Mike Dickson, Forrest Aldrich, Chip Schultz, and Warren Varley.

Moved by Belden, seconded by Renslow to approve the agenda.

Roll Call: All Ayes

City Engineer Forrest Aldrich with Veenstra & Kimm, Inc. made a presentation to the Council regarding the White Pole Road Maintenance Project and also presented 2 repair options for the White Pole Road Maintenance Project. The two options are as follows:

Option No. 1

- Asphalt overlay filling in ruts
- Project cost estimate = \$200,000.00
- Life expectancy – 2-3 years

Option No. 2

- Milling of pavement, 4” asphalt overlay, drainage improvements
- Project cost estimate = \$1,535,000.00
- Life expectancy – 15-20 years

Moved by Belden, seconded by Renslow to proceed with Repair Option No. 1 for the White Pole Road Maintenance Project as presented by City Engineer Forrest Aldrich and to also include repairs to shoulder drainage issues along White Pole Road, to research turning restrictions on truck routes in Stuart, to change truck routes through Stuart, and to include Public Works Director Henderson, City Attorney Steve Brick, City Engineer Forrest Aldrich, Councilmember Kalbach, and Councilmember Askren in on discussions about White Pole Road and to come to the August 9, 2021 Council meeting with solutions to present to the Council.

Roll Call: All Ayes

Councilmember Belden presented updates to the Council regarding the Downtown Economic Grant Business Succession Proposals. Councilmember Belden informed the Council that three TIF Applications have been received from Kate Adams, Matt & Michael Tiernan, and Regan Doely.

Moved by Kalbach, seconded by Renslow to refer the three TIF Applications received from Kate Adams, Matt & Michael Tiernan, and Regan Doely to City Bond Attorney John Danos with Dorsey & Whitney for legal review.

Roll Call: Ayes: Kalbach, Belden, Glass, Renslow
Nays: Askren

Motion Carried

Moved by Belden, seconded by Glass to approve the invoice submitted by TDL Construction for the amount of \$23,716.00 for the All Saints Addition Project Grading.

Roll All: All Ayes

Moved by Renslow, seconded by Glass to approve hiring Matt Funk for the Economic Development Director Position as recommended by the Economic Development Director Hiring Committee with a salary of \$53,000.00 annually with residency required within Stuart City Limits.

Roll Call: All Ayes

The Council and the property owner of 211 N Fremont St. (Mark Tigges) discussed the dead tree located at 211 N Fremont St. in the City right-of-way. The Council also discussed City Code related to the process of removal of dead or diseased trees located on City property and City right-of-way.

Moved by Glass, seconded by Askren to approve the City removing the dead tree located at 211 N Fremont St. due to the tree being in City right-of-way and due to the tree being dead and/or diseased.

Roll Call: All Ayes

Moved by Askren, seconded by Glass to approve the Good Egg Days Extra Pay for the Police Department for the amount of \$663.36 to come out of their \$10,000.00 "Vacation/Sick, Etc..." pay category previously approved during the Council meeting of 02/18/2020 and to no longer require the Good Egg Days Extra Pay to be an agenda item.

Roll Call: All Ayes

Adjournment at 7:25 pm

Minutes submitted by Deputy Clerk Morgan

Dick Cook, Mayor

Ashraf Ashour, City Administrator