

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CALEDONIA CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
CALEDONIA, MINNESOTA
October 10, 2022

CALL TO ORDER: Following due call and notice thereof, Mayor DeWayne “Tank” Schroeder called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Schroeder led the Council, City staff, and visitors in stating the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Council members present: Mayor Schroeder, Member Robert “Bob” Klug, Member Amanda Ninneman, Member Brad Ryhkus, and Member Dave Fitzpatrick. City staff present: Jake Dickson, City Clerk/Administrator, Mike Tornstrom, Ambulance Director, Mark Schiltz, Assistant Director, Joannie Schmidt, Outreach Training Coordinator. Visitor(s) present: Carol Hood, Rachel Stock, *Caledonia Argus*, Charlene Selbee, *Fillmore County Journal*.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Member Ninneman made a correction to the recording of the motion to approve a Setback Variance at 505 Old Highway Drive. Member Ryhkus moved to approve the minutes from the September 26, 2022 Regular City Council Meeting with the correction.. Motion seconded by Member Ninneman, motion passed 5-0. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA: Member Ryhkus moved to approve the consent agenda. Member Fitzpatrick seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor of the motion, and the motion passed. The consent agenda comprised the following item:

- a. Approve Payments and Disbursements
- b. Approve Zoning Permit at 509 State Highway 44
- c. Approve Zoning Permit at 123 West Lincoln Street

PUBLIC COMMENT: None.

CITY CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR

- a. Updates
 - i. City Clerk/Administrator Dickson updated the City Council on work done on the 2023 Budget and upcoming trainings.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. Tower 50 Bids: City Clerk/Administrator Dickson presented one bid received for the sale of the 1971 Mack Tower 50 after an advertisement for bids in September. The lone bid was for \$5,200 from Peter Danzo of Hackensack, New Jersey. Mayor Schroeder asked if a time limit could be placed on the removal of the Fire Truck from City Property and suggested 30 days. Member Fitzpatrick made a motion to accept the bid from Peter Danzo with a stipulation that the Fire Truck be removed in 30 days. Motion seconded by Member Ryhkus, motion passed 5-0. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Ambulance Station Update: Ambulance Director Mike Tornstrom presented a reported on the Caledonia Ambulance Service and updated the Council on the

- challenges facing the department. Director Tornstrom reported on staffing and retention, as well as the training performed by the department. Director Tornstrom presented a report on the state of the ambulance facilities and the need for improvements, as well as the need for a new Ambulance Station that would benefit the service with higher functioning facilities and greater recruitment and retention for the department. Assistant Director Mark Schiltz and Outreach Training Coordinator Joannie Schmidt provided additional details on challenges for the ambulance service and the need for improvements.
- b. Overtime Report: The City Council received and reviewed the Overtime Report for the pay period from September 19th through October 2nd. No action was taken.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. The next regular Council meeting was scheduled for Monday, October 24, 2022, at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business before the Council, a motion to adjourn was made by Member Fitzpatrick, seconded by Member Ryhkus. All members present voted in favor of the motion, and the motion was declared carried to adjourn at 7:08 p.m.

DeWayne "Tank" Schroeder
Mayor

Jake Dickson
Clerk/Administrator