

STATE OF MINNESOTA
GOODHUE/OLMSTED COUNTIES
CITY OF PINE ISLAND
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING/WORKSHOP
SEPTEMBER 4th, 2024

Pursuant to due call, and notice thereof, Mayor pro tem Hildenbrand called the Special City Council meeting to order at 6:00 PM, at City Hall, 250 S. Main Street, Pine Island, Minnesota.

Members Present: Friese (arrived at 6:17 PM), Hildenbrand, Veith Staloch, and Pahl

Members Absent: Johnson

Others Present: Elizabeth Howard - City Administrator, Steven Scheevel – Deputy City Administrator, Craig Britton – Widseth, and Tessia Melvin – David Drown & Associates

Craig Britton provided the City Council with an update on the 511th street bridge, or L2510v3. He presented an agreement from Goodhue County which would enable them to move forward with the project and secure funding. Attorney Vose has reviewed the agreement. Veith Staloch made a motion to approve the agreement with Goodhue County which was seconded by Pahl. Approved 3-0-0.

Howard gave the City Council an update from the Goodhue County Board meeting which took place earlier in the day. The Goodhue County Board passed a motion to phase in the GCSO increased pricing for police contracts. The updated contract with the updated numbers will be presented at the regular September City Council meeting.

Veith Staloch made a motion to approve the updated Regular Sick Leave policy which was seconded by Hildenbrand. Approved 4-0-0.

Veith Staloch made a motion to approve the updated Earned Sick & Safe Leave policy which was seconded by Pahl. Approved 4-0-0.

Administrator Howard provided a budget update and informed the City Council that the new street sweeper had arrived.

Tessia Melvin from David Drown & Associates presented the City Council with her final presentation and findings from the wage study based on their recommendation from the previous work session. Hildenbrand made a motion to implement the wage study as presented and backdate the adjusted wages to August 25th with a second by Veith Staloch. Approved 4-0-0.

Veith Staloch made a motion to approve a step increase for all employees along with a 3% COLA to take affect on January 1st, 2025 and be implemented in the 2025 budget with a second by Hildenbrand. Approved 4-0-0.

Be there no further business, Mayor Friese called to adjourn the Council meeting at 7:27 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Howard
City Administrator