

MINUTES
February 14, 2022

The City Council of Badger met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. at Badger City Hall with Mayor Chris Wendell presiding. Council members present: Teresa Larson-White, Gail Higgins, Pam Smith, Larry Dunbar and Roger Curtis. Also present: Austin Hayek, Ralph and Donna Bryan. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Curtis, second by Dunbar, all ayes, motion carried. Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Larson-White, second by Higgins, all ayes, motion carried. Consent agenda consisted of minutes from the January 10th regular meeting, and January 10th, 17th and 24th special meetings, Clerk/Treasurer report for January, and current bills in the amount of \$7,000.48. Mayor Wendell asked if there was any unscheduled business and Austin Hayek of rural Duncombe asked to address council. Hayek introduced himself and his young son and then talked about the importance of voting, regardless of anyone's political views or affiliations. After speaking about this topic for a few minutes, Hayek thanked the Council for their time. There being no other unscheduled business, the mayor proceeded with the Library Director report. Tammy Jones discussed her written report and discussed library activities and happenings. Next on the agenda was Public Works Department reports. Water/Wastewater Operator Craig Larson was on vacation but had provided his written report to Council. He reported on amounts of water/sewage production/disposal for January and the conditions of the lagoons. Todd Tolliver, Public Works, provided his written report to Council which included numerous maintenance tasks, work with equipment, utility locates, etc. Glenda Rasmussen, City Clerk discussed her written report with Council. Under Council reports, Curtis and Council discussed the city security camera issues, mosquito control, and a question brought to him by a citizen about a display case of historical items. Larson-White discussed the possible needs of the fire department for new radio equipment. Mayor Wendell stated the fire department has updated their radios. Under regular agenda items, Mayor Wendell opened the public hearing on the Max Levy for the fiscal year 2023 budget at 7:05 p.m. Max levy was described and discussed by the clerk. There being no further comments from the public, the public hearing was closed at 7:10 p.m. A motion to approve the appointment of Amy Herzog to the library board was made by Larson-White, second by Dunbar, all ayes, motion carried. The trail extension into Badger and the request from Webster County Conservation to provide an easement was discussed. Council agreed to support the project, but due to the wording in the request regarding property, the city attorney will need to be consulted. A motion to set the public hearing date for the FY23 Budget to be March 14th at 6:30 p.m. was made by Curtis, second by Dunbar, all ayes, motion carried. A motion to set the public hearing date for the FY22 Budget Amendment to be March 14th at 6:30 p.m. was made by Larson-White, second by Higgins, all ayes, motion carried. A motion to approve Resolution 2-01-2022 FY23 Max Levy Rate was made by Larson-White, second by Dunbar, all ayes, motion carried. There being no other business, motion to adjourn was made by Curtis, second by Dunbar, all ayes, motion carried. Adjournment at 7:23 p.m.

Glenda R. Rasmussen
City Clerk