

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ST. JAMES,
WATONWAN COUNTY, MINNESOTA**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the City Council of St. James, Minnesota was duly held at the Community Building meeting room in said City on Tuesday, May 5, 2020, at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Gary Sturm called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Those present: Mayor Gary Sturm (in person), Councilperson Ray Hahnfeldt, Jr. (in person), Kathleen Hanson (phone), Paul Harris (phone), Josh Haseman (phone)

Those absent: Don Mackey

Staff present: City Manager Amanda Glass (in person), City Clerk Kris Hurley (in person), and City Attorney Steve Sunde (phone)

MINUTES

On motion by Councilperson Kathleen Hanson, seconded by Councilperson Paul Harris, the minutes of the regular meeting of April 21, 2020 were found correct as written and the City Clerk was instructed to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

AYES: Councilpersons Kathleen Hanson, Paul Harris, Josh Haseman, Ray Hahnfeldt, Jr.

NAYS: None.

Whereupon Mayor Gary Sturm declared motion to have passed.

On motion by Councilperson Paul Harris, seconded by Councilperson Josh Haseman, the minutes of the Board of Equalization meeting of April 28, 2020 were found correct as written and the City Clerk was instructed to dispense with the reading of the minutes.

AYES: Councilperson Paul Harris, Josh Haseman, Ray Hahnfeldt, Jr., Kathleen Hanson,

NAYS: None.

Whereupon Mayor Gary Sturm declared motion to have passed.

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CONSENT ITEMS

On motion by Councilperson Kathleen Hanson, seconded by Councilperson Josh Haseman, the following consent items were hereby approved:

- A. Payment of Claims totaling \$261,508.45 as follows: Checks No. 62568- 62635 and \$52999.50 ACH Payments No. 398 Pioneer Bank as listed in the Check Register.

Upon voice vote it was unanimous

NEW BUSINESS

CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 05-20-01 AUTHORIZING ACCOUNT SIGNATURES FOR THE CITY OF ST. JAMES FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

Councilperson Ray Hahnfeldt Jr., introduced **RESOLUTION 05-20-01** and moved its adoption “**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCOUNT SIGNATURES FOR THE CITY OF ST. JAMES FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS**” and dispense with the reading. It was duly seconded by Councilperson Paul Harris. Upon roll call voice vote the following voted:

AYES: Councilperson Ray Hahnfeldt, Jr., Paul Harris, Kathleen Hanson, Josh Haseman.

NAYS: None.

Whereupon Mayor Gary Sturm declared **RESOLUTION 05-20-01** to be duly passed.

ROAD MAINTAINER – STREET DEPARTMENT

Chad Stradtman, Street/Park Superintendent, provided bid from Bert’s Truck Equipment from State pricing in the amount of \$18,415.00. The road maintainer will be used in residential alleys. This is a budget item from line #101-43121-5400.

On motion by Councilperson Kathleen Hanson, seconded by Councilperson Josh Haseman, Council approved the purchase of the road maintainer from Bert’s Truck Equipment for the amount of \$18,415.00.

Upon roll call voice vote it was unanimous.

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GRASS SEEDER– STREET DEPARTMENT

Chad Stradtman, Street/Park Superintendent, requesting approval to purchase a grass seeder off State bid pricing from Arnold's of Mankato for a total of \$6250.00. Two bids were received:

Bobcat of Mankato	\$5554.70
Arnolds of Mankato	\$6250.00

After reviewing of the bids and looking at the two different models, Chad Stradtman requests going with the higher bid due to the grass seeder being heavier built and more capacity. This is a budgeted item out of line #101-43121-5400

On motion by Councilperson Josh Haseman, seconded by Councilperson Paul Harris, Council approved the purchase of the grass seeder from Arnolds of Mankato for the amount of \$6,250.00.

Upon roll call voice vote it was unanimous.

AIRPORT PROJECT

City Manager, Amanda Glass, requested Council to reject the airport bids for T-Hangar Taxi lane, Fencing and PAPI Construction and to go out for rebid on the project with a flexible construction schedule with an end date of May 2021. The bids for the project came in considerably higher than the the engineer estimates.

On motion by Councilperson Josh Haseman, seconded by Councilperson Kathleen Hanson, council rejected the current bids and agreed to go out for rebid with a flexible construction schedule with an end date of May 2021 and being flexible with completing components of the project as contractors are available.

Upon roll call voice vote it was unanimous.

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PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING TEACHERS

Request received for council to approve a proclamation declaring the week of May 4th – May 8th as National Teachers Appreciation Week.

On motion by Councilperson Ray Hahnfeldt Jr., seconded by Councilperson Paul Harris, Council approved the proclamation declaring the week of May 4th – May 8th as National Teachers Appreciation Week.

Upon roll call voice vote it was unanimous.

The May 5, 2020, City Council meeting was a teleconference meeting. There were a total of 8 people physically at the community building and were seated 6' apart. The remainder of the attendees appeared by telephone.

On motion by Councilperson Ray Hahnfeldt Jr., seconded by Councilperson Paul Harris, the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

Kris Hurley
City Clerk