

STERLING, COLORADO
JANUARY 14, 2020

STATE OF COLORADO)
COUNTY OF LOGAN)ss
CITY OF STERLING)

As required by the Colorado Sunshine Law, the meeting was posted timely in the City Hall lobby more than twenty-four hours in advance of the meeting.

Pastor Mark Phillips, First Baptist Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Appelhans led the Pledge of Allegiance. The City Council of the City of Sterling, Colorado, met in regular session in Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, January 14, 2020. Mayor Appelhans called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Councilmembers present:

Mayor	Appelhans
Councilmembers	Anderson Blecha Desormeaux Janes McCarty Ritter

Also present:

City Manager	Saling
City Attorney	Penny
City Clerk	Forbes
Public Works Director	Good
Parks, Library and Recreation Director	Gandee
Police Chief	Kerr
Fire Chief	Ritter
Public Safety Communications Director	Lybrand
Paralegal	Welsh

Citizens present: 10

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Desormeaux made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Janes seconded the motion. Councilmember Blecha had a correction on page 4, sixth paragraph; there is an extra "E" in RECOMMENDATION. By a seven-yes vote, the motion was approved.

Items on the consent agenda were: City Council minutes of November 26, 2019 and December 10, 2019, report of changes for Hootenannies located at 324 West Main Street and report of changes for The Frosted Mug located at 137 North Front Street.

COMMUNICATION AND PERSONAL APPEARANCE OF NON-SCHEDULED CITIZENS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

PRESENTATION FROM COMMISSIONER JANE BAUDER AND PARKS, LIBRARY AND RECREATION DIRECTOR GANDEE – CRAFT 101 TOURISM:

Commissioner Jane Bauder and PLR Director Gandee gave a “Craft 101 Tourism” presentation. They explained the CRAFT, Colorado Rural Academy for Tourism, program. The goal is to increase travelers through recreation and branding of new traveler experiences. They discussed items that their group came up with. They were awarded a \$10,000 grant which they will be using for a consultant to help with community involvement.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT:

City Manager Saling updated Council on the following:

- Sales and Lodging taxes
- Northeast Rural Philanthropy Days fund request
- CML Legislative Workshop
- No trash collection on Monday, due to the County being closed for Martin Luther King Day
- RE-1 Valley interviewer information – if interested e-mail RE-1
- Scott Legg fundraiser
- Second and Main Streets planters
- Logan County Economic Development dinner on February 27, 2020
- February 25, 2020 Council meeting will include White and Jankowski and Bishop Brogden, who will be reviewing with Council the long range water plan
- January 28, 2020 Council meeting will have an ordinance for the sale of property of the land by the Village Inn
- Logan County Chamber of Commerce banquet on January 31, 2020

Councilmember Desormeaux made a motion to give \$1,500 to the Northeast Rural Philanthropy Days fund. Councilmember Anderson seconded the motion. By a seven-yes vote, the motion was approved.

NEW BUSINESS:

MAYOR’S RECOMMENDATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION:

Mayor Appelhans made a motion to re-appoint Mr. Stephen Burnham and Ms. Devon Miller to the Planning Commission. Councilmember McCarty seconded the motion. By a seven-yes vote, the motion was approved.

REQUEST FROM VAL HEIM, GOLF MANAGEMENT INC.:

Mr. Val Heim was present to address Council. Mr. Heim informed Council that they are on their final five year option for their lease, 2020-2025. He is asking Council to extend the lease to 2030. He introduced Brent and Jessica Fiscus, Plainview Golf, who are in the process of taking over the lease for the golf course.

After discussion, it was the consensus of Council to prepare the ordinance to extend the lease and resolution to transfer the names on the lease.

FIRST READING – ORDINANCE NO. 1, SERIES OF 2020 - AN ORDINANCE APPROVING THE SALE OF REAL ESTATE OWNED BY THE CITY OF STERLING, DESCRIBED AS LOT 1 OF KNOWLES REPLAT IN THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO, TO FOUR

CORNERS DEVELOPMENT, LLC; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED FOR THE SALE OF SAID PROPERTY:

City Manager Saling advised Council Four Corners Development, LLC has submitted a proposed purchase and sale agreement for City-owned property described as Lot 1 of Knowles Replat in the City of Sterling, Logan County, Colorado, for construction of an affordable 55+ independent senior housing development, for the purchase price of \$175,000.00. This Ordinance approves the sale of that real estate.

Councilmember Janes made a motion to introduce the Ordinance No. 1, Series of 2020. Councilmember McCarty seconded the motion. City Clerk Forbes read the ordinance by title. By a seven-yes vote, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-1-20, SERIES OF 2020 - A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING CHARGES AND FEES INCIDENT TO OPERATING AND MANAGING SUNSET MEMORIAL GARDENS:

City Manager Saling advised Council this resolution establishes charges and fees incident to the City operating and managing Sunset Memorial Gardens pursuant to the terms set forth in an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Sterling and County of Logan. The fees are the same as Riverview Cemetery.

Councilmember Desormeaux made a motion to approve the Resolution No. 1-1-20, Series of 2020. Councilmember Janes seconded the motion. By a seven-yes vote, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-2-20, SERIES OF 2020 - A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO ACCEPTING THE SCOPE AND BUDGET DESIGN PROPOSAL FROM MOTT MacDONALD, LLC FOR THE CITY OF STERLING WASTEWATER SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT:

City Manager Saling advised Council this Resolution approves the Scope and Budget Design proposal received from Mott MacDonald, LLC for the City of Sterling Wastewater System Improvements project, and approves and authorizes the Mayor to sign the related Agreement. The proposal was the only proposal received following a pre-proposal conference and meets the requirements of this project. The proposal submitted and approved by this Resolution is in the amount of \$1,972,300.00. This is an acceptable amount for the project, and the Public Works Department has sufficient funds in its 2020 budget for this project.

Councilmember Janes made a motion to approve Resolution No. 1-2-20, Series of 2020. Councilmember Anderson seconded the motion. By a seven-yes vote, the motion was approved.

RESOLUTION NO. 1-3-20, SERIES OF 2020 - A RESOLUTION BEFORE THE CITY OF STERLING, LOGAN COUNTY, COLORADO, ACCEPTING THE BID FROM CONCRETE SPECIALTIES AND UTILITIES CONSTRUCTION, INC. FOR A PART OF THE CITY OF STERLING 2019 FISH POND TRAIL EXTENSION PROJECT #19-008:

City Manager Saling advised Council this Resolution approves the bid received from Concrete Specialties and Utilities Construction, Inc. for a part of the City of Sterling 2019 Fish Pond Trail Extension project and approves and authorizes the Mayor to sign the related Agreement. This was the only bid received, and is an acceptable amount for the project. The bid submitted and approved by this Resolution is in the amount of \$135,971.74. These funds are available as a part of a grant received from Colorado Parks and Wildlife and approved by Resolution No. 5-1-19, Series of 2019.

Councilmember Anderson made a motion to approve Resolution No. 1-3-20, Series of 2020. Councilmember Blecha seconded the motion. By a seven-yes vote, the motion was approved.

DEPARTMENT REPORT – FINANCE DEPARTMENT – AUDIT PRESENTATION:

Mr. Scott Szabo presented the 2018 Audit to Council.

MISCELLANEOUS COUNCIL BUSINESS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION – PERSONNEL MATTERS C.R.S. SECTION 24-6-402 (2) (f) AND NEGOTIATIONS C.R.S. SECTION 24-6-402 (4) (e):

Mayor Appelhans made a motion to go into executive session for discussion of a personnel matter under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402 (2) (f) and not involving: any specific employees who have requested discussion of the matter in open session; any member of this body or any elected official; the appointment of any person to fill an office of this body or of an elected official; or personnel policies that do not require the discussion of matters personal to particular employees and the purpose of determining positions relative to matters that may be subject to negotiations, developing strategy for negotiations, and/or instructing negotiators, under C.R.S. Section 24-6-402 (4) (e). Councilmember McCarty seconded the motion. By a seven-yes vote, the motion was approved.

Council went into executive session at 7:10 p.m.

Council came out of executive session at 8:08 p.m.

Mayor Appelhans advised the participants in the executive session were: City Council, City Manager, City Attorney, Public Works Director, Parks, Library and Recreation Director, Recreation Center Supervisor and Fire Chief. For the record, if any person who participated in the executive session believes that any substantial discussion of any matters not included in the motion to go into the executive session occurred during the executive session, or that any improper action occurred during the executive session in violation of the Open Meetings Law, he asked that they state their concerns for the record.

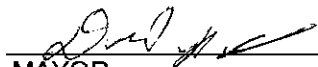
There was none.

Councilmember Desormeaux made a motion to give City Manager Saling a three percent increase retro to his contract date of September. Councilmember Janes seconded the motion. By a seven-yes vote, the motion was approved.

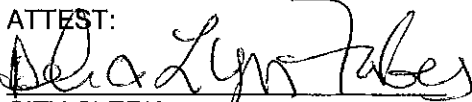
City Manager Saling reviewed with Council the radio station schedule. He advised Council that later he will be scheduling tours of City property.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business to come before Council the meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK