CITY OF MONTELLO

COMMON COUNCIL MINUTES

7-6-21

Meeting called to order at 7 PM by Mayor Jim Houdek

Members Present: Sue Kozlowski, Venise Mugler, Barb Jordan, Ken Streich, Ronald Knutson, Dennis Schrimpf

Members Absent: Lucas Stelter, Brian Schrimpf

Others Present: Craig Corning, CPA, Matt Faltz, Montello Lake Home Owners

Motion by Jordan/Mugler to switch New Business A and B around. Motion carried.

Motion by Mugler/Kozlowski to approve 6-7-21 Council minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Jordan/D. Schrimpf to approve the 6-29-21 DownTown Revitalization minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Streich/Mugler to approve the June, 2021 voucher list. Motion carried.

Motion by D. Schrimpf/Streich to approve the 6-16-21 Park Board minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Streich/Kozlowski to approve the 6-29-21 Plan Commission minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Mugler/Kozlowski to approve the 6-16-21 Public Safety minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Streich/Mugler to approve the 6-17-21 Public Works minutes except anything that pertains to garbage pickup Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. MONTELLO LAKE HOME OWNERS

 Montello Lake Home Owners were present and stated their concerns regarding:

* Lake level
* Boat launch – rock piles are a problem
* Resources to fix the Lake Dam
* Can City give their voice to DNR about lake levels
1. CRAIG CORNING, CPA – 2020 FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
* Corning stated that the Utilities had a loss but the majority of that is because of depreciation and interest on debt. The rate increases for water and sewer will help in 2021 and going forward.
* The General Fund – expenses were under spent by $51,000 and Fund balance remains in the positive. Re-financing the debt recently to a much lower interest rate will help the City. Corning stated that going forward the City is in good shape.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: Knutson asked about fire works donation

MAYOR’S COMMENTS:

* Has gotten complaints regarding the vulgar flag in the City. Would like it on the record that he’s sought legal advice and is trying to do something about it.
* ARPA funds have been received (first half) and will be setting up a finance meeting to start discussing on what to use the funds for.
* Thanked O’Malley/Foss greenhouse for the flowers for downtown. Thanked the Chamber person who waters the plants. Very appreciated.

Motion by D. Schrimpf/Streich to adjourn. Motion carried at 8:30 pm.

Minutes by Dawn Calnin