

## **Canton City Council Regular Meeting Minutes October 9, 2024**

Members present: Josh Nordsving, Kristy Ziegler, Jen Dowling, Jason Magnuson

Members absent: Randy Gossman

City staff present: Anne Koliha, Barb Kerns, Jon Nordsving

City staff absent: Jim Davis

Visitor(s) present: Daren Sikkink (WHKS), Kevin Graves (WHKS), Carl Ernst, Dorothy Coons, Therese Morin

Mayor Nordsving called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Motion by Dowling, seconded by Ziegler to approve the agenda, motion carried.

### **Consent Agenda**

- a) Approval of September 11, 2024 Regular Meeting Minutes
- b) Approval of October Disbursements

Motion by Magnuson, seconded by Dowling to approve the consent agenda, motion carried.

**Public comments:** none

### **Reports:**

**Mayor Nordsving:** none

**Deputy Clerk:** mention of insert in utility billing on radon testing

**Clerk:** Koliha reported that joint meeting with M-C School District, Mabel & Canton City Council is scheduled for December 4 at 6pm at the school. Lead/Copper Service Line Inventory has been completed by WHKS and submitted to MN Department of Health which has also approved the initial inventory submitted. Next step will be to send out letters to property owners regarding type of service line – WHKS to send mailing list and template of letters to City to send out the letters. Continued work with MPCA and WHKS on recommendations for addressing total nitrogen at sewer plant and requesting variances for chloride and sulfate. Will need to schedule a special meeting to canvass the general election, plan to hold special meeting on November 13 before the regular council meeting. Clerk Koliha also updated the council that at November meeting certification of unpaid charges to the city will be on agenda for approval of the special assessments to property owners property taxes.

**Public Works:** none

**Fire Department:** put together annual fundraising mailer

**Police:** none

**Planning Commission:** none

**Other:** none

## **Old Business**

- a) Mitson House follow-up  
Dorothy Coons from Canton Historical Society addressed the city council regarding the removal of items from the Mitson requesting an extension on removal of the items till June 1, 2025. Council was in agreeance to the request and grant the extension till June 1, 2025 for removal of items.
- b) 2025 Preliminary Budget review  
Clerk Koliha reviewed the updated General Fund budget noting that have trimmed things down and have dropped the tax levy to 7% already and will continue to work on trimming costs as able.

## **New Business**

- a) Consider approval of Agreement Between Owner (City of Canton) and Engineer (WHKS) for Professional Services for the Canton Water and Sanitary Sewer Systems project and designate Clerk Koliha as designated representative  
Motion by Nordsving, seconded by Dowling to approve the Agreement between Owner (City of Canton) and Engineer (WHKS) for Professional Services for the Canton Water and Sanitary Sewer Systems project with designation of Clerk Koliha as designated representative and contingent upon USDA Rural Development concurrence of agreement and contingent upon review by city attorney; motion carried.
- b) Consider approval of purchase of Kamstrup Ready AMR Meter Reader Upgrade  
Motion by Nordsving, seconded by Ziegler to approve the purchase of Kamstrup Ready AMR Meter Reader Upgrade; motion carried.
- c) Consider reinvestment of Wilken Park CD #45022 (maturity on 10/25/2024)  
Motion by Nordsving, seconded by Magnuson to approve reinvestment of Wilken Park CD #45022 into a 6 month CD at First Southeast Bank Canton; motion carried.
- d) Discussion on Utility Rates for 2025  
Clerk Koliha presented 4 options of rate increases for both the water and sewer – the utility committee requested to continue discussion at the November meeting.

Motion by Nordsving, seconded by Ziegler to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 p.m.; motion carried.