

CITY OF POLSON COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Commission Chambers

April 20, 2020

7:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: Mayor Briney, Commissioners, Howlett, Martin, Marchello, Moll, Pardini, Interim City Manager Wade Nash and City Clerk Cora Pritt

ABSENT: Commissioner Isbell

OTHERS PRESENT (who voluntarily signed in via Zoom): Larry Ashcraft, Hu Beaver, Cindy Dooley, Marie Hirsch, Jeremy Seifert, Steven Speckert, Lisa Wall-Wright, Tracy Wall

CALL TO ORDER: (00:01) Mayor Briney called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Roll call was taken.

Prior to the Approval of the Proposed Agenda Mayor Briney thanked the CSKT Command Center, Health Care providers, many essential workers who are keeping the businesses and services operating, the business community: those who made the difficult decision to close their doors and those who chose to remain open under challenging conditions, and educators teaching from home, and every single person in Lake County who are continuing to follow the governments guidelines for keeping themselves, their families and everyone else safe.

APPROVAL OF PROPOSED AGENDA (01:58) –**Commissioner Howlett motion to approve the proposed agenda. Commissioner Martin second.** Commission discussion: none Public comment none. **VOTE: Unanimous Motion carried**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON SIGNIFICANT MATTERS TO THE PUBLIC NOT ON THE AGENDA (02:55) – none

CONSENT AGENDA (03:14) - a. March 14-31, 2020 Claims, b. April 1-16, 2020 Claims, c City Commission Electronic Meeting Minutes March 16, 2020, d. City Commission Written Summary Meeting Minutes March 16, 2020, e City Commission Electronic Emergency Meeting Minutes March 24, 2020, f. City Commission Written Summary Emergency Meeting Minutes March 24, 2020
Commissioner Martin motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Commissioner Marchello second. Commission discussion: none Public comment: none **VOTE: Unanimous Motion carried**

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS (04:19) Interim City Manager Wade Nash made the following comments: First both the 9 hole and the 18 hole golf courses are open. Commissioner Isbell couldn't be here this evening due to his work as a highway patrolman. He did say he supported both agenda items. The Streets Department will begin dur-a-patching the streets next week. The budget process for the City has begun. City Planner Kyle Roberts wishes to speak with you at this time. City Planner Kyle Roberts commented that the City of Polson has been a Tree City U.S.A. member for 28 years. The City was recently re-certified for the 29th year. Commissioner Moll asked if the City has a tree replacement program. City Planner Roberts answered the City does not have such a program. City Finance Officer Dooley explained there is a line item in the General Fund that has \$2,500.00 set aside for tree maintenance. Commissioner Moll then asked about an update on the City Manager search. City Planner Roberts explained that due to the Covid-19 virus the meetings have not occurred. There were 2 applicants that withdrew their names from consideration.

SPECIAL USE PERMIT (SUP #20-01), FUN & FANCY FREE LEARNING CENTER (11:00)-City Planner Kyle Roberts presented this agenda item. The Commissioner heard the information at the Public Hearing prior to the Commission meeting beginning. There is no new information to add. The City County Planning Board voted unanimously to approve the project with the 9 Conditions of Approval and Approval of the Finding of Facts. **Commissioner Moll motion to approve Special Use Permit #20-01, subject to the Nine Conditions of Approval, and Adopt the Findings of Fact as discussed in the April 20th Staff Report. Commissioner Howlett second.** Commission discussion: Commissioner Martin commented that this project is great. It is a part of the City that needs a good project. Mayor Briney agreed and wished the applicant good luck. Public comment: none **VOTE: Unanimous Motion carried**

POLSON REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY GRANT AGREEMENT: 302 MAIN STREET (13:33) - Polson Redevelopment Chairperson Karen Dunwell presented this agenda item. Steven Speckert is the application and the project is located at 302 Main Street. The monies would go toward upgrading 5 downtown businesses. There will be façade, structural, and technical upgrades made. The total amount requested is \$17,500.00. Mr. Speckert informed the Commission that the deck is falling apart and unsafe. Commissioner Pardini asked about the mold that is in the whole block. Mr. Speckert answered that the interior remodel for this project will be \$100,000.00 and he is only asking for the exterior. Mr. Speckert will be testing for mold once the interior project begins. He will supply the City with the test results. The testing will be conducted after the interior is completed. Mr. Speckert will first deplete the area of oxygen which kills any mold spores. Then he will do a bacteria clean up. Marie Hirsch, Lake County Community Development, commented that City Planner Roberts had been asked for an interpretation of requirements. City Planner Roberts answered that the application does not require any mold abatement prior to applying for grant. The Building Official would know about the mold abatement requirements. Mayor Briney asked what the PRA vote was. Karen Dunwell answered that it was a unanimous vote to approve the grant application. Commissioners Marchello and Pardini agreed that this is a great project. **Commissioner Marchello motion to approve the Grant Agreement between the City of Polson, Polson Redevelopment Agency Tax Increment Financing District, and Pensco Pention Plan Custodian for Steven Speckert. Second Commissioner Moll.** Commission discussion: none Public Comment: none **VOTE: Unanimous Motion carried**

Prior to adjourning Mayor Briney asked the Commission if Action Minutes are agreeable. The Commission stated yes Action Minutes are agreeable.

Adjourn (36:46) - Commissioner Howlett motion to adjourn. Commissioner Martin second. VOTE: Unanimous Motion carried.

ADJOURN: 7:37 p.m.

Mayor Paul Briney

ATTEST: _____
Cora E. Pritt, City Clerk