

City of Dover Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes June 1, 2023

The Regular Monthly Meeting of the Dover City Council was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Dave Iseminger in the City Hall as posted.

Present were Mayor Dave Iseminger, Council Members Jaime Putzier, Chelsie Kiekbusch and Eric Tyler. Absent- Kevin Connor. Staff present Gary Pedersen, Clerk/Treasurer & Marvin Ihrke, Others in attendance: Jim Nigon and Michael Bell of Heartman Insurance, Sue Ferguson, Karen Henry, Sgt. Adam Waletzke, Jody Wiza and Kylie Ramsey.

The agenda for the meeting was presented. The motion was made by Member Putzier to approve, seconded by Member Tyler the motion carried.

Karen Henry addressed the Council on behalf of the Dover Evergreen Cemetery to ask for a donation to help with the maintenance expenses for the cemetery.

Motion by member Tyler and seconded by member Putzier to donate \$2,000 to the Dover Evergreen Cemetery for maintenance purposes, the motion carried.

Jim Nigon of Heartman Insurance updated the Council on last years insurance claims etc. and gave the report on this coming years renewal. The renewals will go up by about \$4,000 for the new year. The renewals are through the League of MN Cities Insurance Trust.

Motion by member Kiekbusch and seconded by member Tyler to approve the meeting minutes purposed for the last meeting in April, the motion carried.

From the agenda- 10B the Shack Bar request to expand the outside patio area for liquor to be consumed. The additional space requested is the width of the old drive-through of the bank.

Motion by member Tyler and seconded by member Putzier to approve the expansion area of about 27 feet 6 inches by 13 feet 2 5/8 inches in size, the motion carried.

Discussion took place between the owner of the Shack Bar and Road Trip Bar as to how to place a fence along the sidewalk edge of the new volleyball court and the Road Trips' handicapped access- the council also joined in the discussion wanting the safest outcome possible for volleyball players and people accessing the bars from the area.

It was first decided that a solid permanent fence would be built and later the bar owners agreed that a "net" like fence would divide the two areas- sidewalk and volleyball court matching the height of the other fence in the area.

Motion by member Kiekbusch and seconded by member Putzier to approve a special event permit for the Shack Bar on July 3rd that may go until 10 PM that night before it ends due to the fireworks that will take place after the event ends and the noise ordinance may be extended for that reason, the motion carried. Live music will be played on their patio.

Sergeant Adam Waletzki then addressed the council and asked if there were any issues with the department since the last meeting. Discussion took place of where the deputies sit when patrolling Dover- would like them to be more visible in the areas where they are needed.

Motion by member Kiekbusch and seconded by member Tyler to approve the financial statements and the bills to be paid for the last month, the motion carried.

Centralized garbage collection- a flow chart drawn up by the League of MN Cities was presented and looked at by the council. Member Putzier and the Clerk will work with the collectors and see how the idea of an organized collection can be put into use.

Ordinance/code update- the Clerk will gather the documents put together and have the council review them with him so any updates and or changes can be made before we send them to the American Publishers.

Motion by Putzier and seconded by member Kiekbusch to pass and approve a "Resolution accepting the resignation letter of Kevin Connor and declaring a vacant council seat", the motion carried unanimously.

The Council has the right to appoint a city resident to fill out the remainder of the term which is about 1 and ½ years left (end of 2024).

The Clerk is to develop an application form for the open seat and advertise it on our website and facebook, the process will continue until an appointment has been made.

Motion by member Kiekbusch and seconded by member Tyler to approve the special event request by Neighbors Pub on July 4th for their annual chicken feed from 11 am and ends late afternoon when the food is gone, the motion carried.

Motion by member Kiekbusch and seconded by member Tyler to approve the 2024-2025 agreement offered the City of Dover by the Olmsted County Sheriff's Department for law enforcement services, the motion carried. The first year of the contract increases by about 6% and the second year by 3% in cost.

Member comments:

Putzier- a lawn has not been mowed this year we need to send a letter for compliance.

Tyler- working with Sewer District on a question about one manhole cover along 5th Ave.

Iseminger- working on events set up around July 3rd City Celebration.

Motion by member Tyler and seconded by member Putzier to adjourn the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM.

Minutes by

Gary Pedersen, Clerk