

**TOWN OF INTERLACHEN
TOWN COUNCIL HYBRID MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2021 - 7:00 P.M.
DICKERMAN BUILDING**

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Conner called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Members present were Chairperson Joni Conner, Beverly Bakker, Carolyn Bennett, Judi Costanzo and Carolyn Meadows. Mayor Larsen and Attorney George Young were present.

COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON: JONI CONNER

Chairperson Conner welcomed everyone and asked the Clerk to place setting a date for a workshop on the Personnel Manual on next months' agenda.

COUNCIL DISCUSSION:

Items C, D & E were moved up on the agenda due to the delay of Mr. Lindsey.

Discussion and Consideration of Options for Dowda Field.

Jason Matchett stated that he would like to see Better Place Plan funds used at Dowda Field for leveling the field and sodding so that it be better utilized for soccer, football and baseball.

The Council recommended that he bring his plan and an estimated cost before the Better Place Plan Committee.

Discussion and Consideration of Orange Street.

Attorney Young stated that he has sent certified letters to property owners and given them some options, such as granting the Town an easement or conveying back Syracuse back to the Town.

Discussion and Consideration of Codes Enforcement.

Council Member Meadows stated that she asked Codes Enforcement Officer, Wayne Rogers to meet with her regarding creating a paper trail for Codes Enforcement cases. He declined to meet with her due to COVID and told her that if the Council was unhappy with his service he would step down.

Council Member Bennett stated that since this is not the first time this has been brought to Mr. Rogers attention and he has made no effort to change, she moved to request the resignation of Mr. Rogers within thirty (30) days. Council Member Costanzo seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of Applying for a S.C.O.P Grant.

Kellen Lindsey from Mittauer and Associates stated that the S.C.O.P. Grant could be used to pave either Central Avenue, Hamilton Avenue, 7th Street or New York Street.

Council Member Meadows moved to apply for the S.C.O.P. Grant to pave Central Avenue. Council Member Bakker seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of Applying for a S.J.R.W.M. Grant.

Kellen Lindsey from Mittauer and Associates explained that the Redi Grant is a \$500,000.00 cost share program, but it doesn't include engineering fees or permits. Mittauer already has some of the surveying done so their cost should be minimal.

The grant can be used for Phase 4 water improvement to extend water lines from Andree to Maddox, Yeats, Dickens and 7th. The 2-3' pipes on Ludlow and Yale would be replaced and line extension at Long, Stock. Extending the 6-8" lines in the Mirror Lake area to allow for fire protection.

Council Member Meadows moved to apply for the S.J.R.W.M. Grant. Council Member Bennett seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of Placing Charter Changes on the Ballot at the Next Election.

Council Member Costanzo moved to place four -year term limits on the next election ballot. Council Member Bakker seconded. Motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote of the Council.

Discussion and Consideration of Pandemic Guidelines.

The Council wanted "per occurrence" added to paragraph three (3) and "one time only" added to paragraph four (4). The corrections will be made and the guidelines will be on next months' agenda.

CONSENT AGENDA:

The consent agenda was approved by unanimous general consent.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Council Member Meadows extended her sympathies to the Lyles family.

Council Member Bennett wished everyone happy Valentine's Day.

MAYOR COMMENTS:

Mayor Larsen stated that he had come across some old pictures of Hastings Park and how different it looks now.

DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:

Maintenance Supervisor, Richard Glover showed the Council the paint color for the Caboose.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Leo Granger stated that the School Board is having a workshop to consider closing some schools, including Robert Jenkins. He was requesting that the Council back him in his efforts to rename Interlachen High School to Robert Jenkins High School. The Council advised Mr. Granger that this wasn't an agenda item, therefore couldn't be voted on.

ATTORNEY COMMENTS:

Attorney Young had no comments.

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 8:23p.m.