## Richland Center

## MINUTES OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

TUESDAY, MARCH 07, 2023 AT 6:00 PM

COUNCIL ROOM, MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 450 S. MAIN ST., RICHLAND CENTER, WI 53581

**ROLL CALL:** Meeting called to order at 6:04 PM. Members present: Karin Tepley, Melony Walters, and Ryan Cairns. Other officials present: City Administrator Ashley Oliphant, City Clerk/Treasurer Aaron Joyce, Economic Development Director Jasen Glasbrenner, Mayor Todd Coppernoll, and City Attorney Chris McGough.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Motion by Tepley to waive the reading and approve the February 7, 2023 Finance Committee minutes as presented. Seconded by Cairns. Motion carried 3-0.

PAYMENT OF BILLS: Motion by Tepley to pay the bills as presented. Seconded by Cairns. Motion carried 3-0.

**CLERK/TREASURER'S REPORT:** Clerk/Treasurer Joyce reported that the 2022 tax collection was completed with \$5.8-million collected. The February 21<sup>st</sup> Primary Election saw a 24% turnout. Ballots for the April 4<sup>th</sup> General Election will go out next week. With the Common Council moving to one meeting per month, changes will need to be made to the Financial Policy. Revisions are being worked on and will be presented at an upcoming Finance & Council meeting. Members of the Clerk's office, Utility office, City Administrator, Wastewater, and Public Works met with a representative from Rural Development regarding civil rights compliance as related to a Rural Development grant a few years ago. The meeting went well and the representative made positive suggestions for improvements.

## ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

3. Awarding Bid for the 2023 Phase 2 Cedar Street Utility and Roadway Improvements project and project alternate.

G Pro is a relatively new construction company but has had good reviews in other communities.

Motion to recommend to council

Motion made by Tepley, Seconded by Cairns.

Voting Yea: Tepley, Walters, Cairns

4. Obtaining Real Estate Services for Sale of City Owned Parcels
Jasen Glasbrenner: 460 W. 1st & 291 N. Jefferson St. Both lots are setup to allow for
multifamily dwellings. Determined that the better method of executing the sale process
through a realtor. Not a "money saver" to conduct the sale in-house.

Motion to authorize Director Glasbrenner to acquire a realtor as outlined by the City financial policy and o take all necessary steps to list the lots at 460 W. 1st and 291 N. Jefferson St. for sale. Coppernoll: conducted a similar process with the Wedgewood lots. Motion made by Tepley, Seconded by Cairns.

Voting Yea: Tepley, Walters, Cairns

5. Revisions to Financial Policy

Ashley, Aaron, & Shawn have been meeting

2 Finance meetings per month?

Finance meets the 3rd week of the month and give Finance authority to approve the bills? Then report to council what bills were paid.

Authority would need to be given to Finance to give final approval of bills instead of Council. Tepley & Cairns & Walters ok with meeting once, the 3rd week of the month.

## **ADJOURN**

Motion carried at 6:30 PM

Motion made by Walters, Seconded by Tepley.

Voting Yea: Tepley, Walters, Cairns

Posted this 3rd day of March, 2023 by 4:30 PM.

Copy to the official newspaper the Richland Observer.

Aaron Joyce, City Clerk/Treasurer

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