

MINUTES
January 24, 2022

The City Council of Badger met in special session at 6:30 p.m. at Badger City Hall with Mayor Chris Wendell presiding. Council members present: Teresa Larson-White, Pam Smith, Larry Dunbar and Roger Curtis. Absent: Gail Higgins. Others present: Todd Toliver, Craig Larson, and Jake Hilton. Purpose of the meeting was to hold a budget workshop and discuss the emergency generator at the lift station. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Curtis, second by Smith, Higgins absent, all ayes, motion carried. Jake Hilton from CEC Electric gave Council updates on the emergency generator issue at the lift station. The city purchased a new generator for the water plant in late 2019, and Hilton can move that one out to the sewage lagoon site since emergency power is so critical there. It was determined that there is a greater need at the lift station than at the water plant if the city loses power. It would be a matter of hours before sewage would start to back up with no power, but it would be a matter of days before the water service would be affected with no power. Motion to approve CEC moving the generator and doing all of the necessary wiring and conversion from natural gas to propane at a cost not to exceed \$4,000 was made by Larson-White, second by Dunbar, Higgins absent, all ayes, motion carried. The new generator that Council approved on January 17th will be placed at the water plant when it is delivered. Council, staff and Mayor then discussed final figures for the fiscal year 2023 budget. Budgeted items include street work to be done, overhead doors on the city maintenance building to be replaced, various minor equipment for public works operations, and water and sewer rate increases as well as all other routine expenses. There being no other business, motion to adjourn was made by Curtis, second by Dunbar, all ayes, motion carried. Adjournment at 8:09 p.m.

Glenda R. Rasmussen
City Clerk