MINUTES September 9, 2024

The City Council of Badger met in regular session at 6:30 p.m. at Badger City Hall with Mayor Chris Wendell presiding. Council members present: Teresa Larson-White, Jeff Brundige, Roger Curtis, Nathan Jones and Pam Smith. Also present: Kristi and Rodney Lassiter, Michael and Michelle Hendren, Jennifer Schild and Lori Gascho. Motion to approve the agenda was made by Curtis, second by Larson-White, all ayes, motion carried. Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Larson-White, second by Smith, all ayes, motion carried. The consent agenda consisted of minutes from the August 12th meeting, Clerk/Treasurer report for August and bills in the amount of \$22,122.24. There was no unscheduled business. Under communications and reports, Library Director, Tammy Jones gave her report. She is working more hours since the library assistant has taken another part-time job. Other library happenings were discussed and Jones also stated that the food pantry is in need of donations. Next on the agenda was Public Works Department reports. Water/Wastewater Operator Craig Larson was absent but had presented his written report on amounts of water/sewage production/disposal for August and the conditions of the lagoons. Mark Wertz, Public Works, presented his written report to the Council which included numerous maintenance tasks, work with equipment, utility locates, etc. He also discussed the lead time on obtaining new equipment for the sewage lift station and the water plant. Council will discuss this at the next meeting, Glenda Rasmussen, City Clerk, presented her written report to Council. Rasmussen and Wertz gave Council an update on how the Lead Service Line Inventory is progressing. Badger residents have been helpful in getting this inventory done and only two properties remain to be inventoried. Rasmussen also suggested an amendment to the ordinance for open burning to set additional regulations. This will be on the agenda next month. Under Council reports, Larson-White mentioned that there are a lot of trees on private property that are dying. This is an area wide problem, but they will need to be dealt with by property owners at some point. Curtis mentioned ground wasps near the library/community center. Public works will address this. Mayor had nothing to report. Under regular agenda items, a needed software addition for water meters presented at the August meeting was again discussed. Motion to approve purchase was made by Larson-White, second by Smith, all ayes, motion carried. A quote from Municipal Maintenance Services was presented and discussed. Council requested that they come to the October meeting. Public works will contact them about attending. Lori Gascho addressed Council about the balance of the funds donated to the city by W&H Coop for the badger statue. After discussion, clerk was directed to contact W&H Coop for clarification on ownership and balance of funds. There being no other business, motion to adjourn was made by Curtis, second by Smith, all ayes, motion carried. Adjournment at 7:24 p.m.

Glenda R. Rasmussen City Clerk