A regular meeting of the Wakefield City Council was held on Monday, June 14, 2021 at 5:30 P.M. via Hybrid with Mayor White presiding and leading in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL Call

Present: Tarro, White, Heikkila, Anderson, and Wiita

Absent: none
Also Present: Robert Brown, City Manager; Mandy Lake, City Treasurer; and approximately 6 guests in person and 3 virtually.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Anderson moved, Wiita seconded, approve the agenda as presented. Motion CARRIED.

CONSENT AGENDA

a) May 20, 2021 Work Session minutes; b) May 24, 2021 regular Council meeting minutes; c) April 28, 2021 regular Library meeting minutes; d) May (partial) invoices. Tarro moved, Wiita seconded, that the Consent Agenda be approved as presented. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

PUBLIC HEARING

a) Truth in Taxation- Anderson moved, Tarro seconded, to open the public hearing at 5:33 P.M. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote. One resident asked why the City is increasing our millage, Melissa explained how Truth in Taxation works. Tarro moved, Anderson seconded, to close the public hearing at 5:38 P.M. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

b) 2021-2022 Budget- Tarro moved, Wiita seconded, to open the public hearing at 5:39 P.M. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote. With no public comment. Tarro moved, Anderson seconded, to close the public hearing at 5:39 P.M. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENT

none

UNFIN-ISHED

a) Truth in Taxation (Resolution 293)- Tarro moved, Wiita seconded, to approve Resolution 293, a Resolution

BUSINESS to increase the 2021 City Operating Millage. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

b) 2021-2022 Budget- Wiita moved, Tarro seconded, to approve Ordinance 238, and Ordinance to set the City's 2021-2022 Fiscal Budget. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

c) Open Pit Designation- discussion took place related to the property around the Open Pit. The Council would like to set a meeting with Mr. Butler, GRTA, Non-Motorized, Mr. Yesney, and two Council members.

NEW BUSINESS a) Temporary Noise Variance (Resolution 294)- Anderson moved, Tarro seconded, to approve Resolution 294, a Resolution granting temporary variance of City Ordinance 96.30 and 96.31. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

b) Popcorn Wagon Request- Tarro moved, Heikkila seconded, to allow Mrs. Anderson's request to place her popcorn Wagon in Eddy Park, June through September. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

c) Utility Write Offs- Anderson moved, Wiita seconded, to authorize the Utility Charge Offs as presented in the amount of $7,207.60. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

d) Commercial Revitalization for District A- this is a way to help business owners. City Attorney went over some of the information. City Attorney and City Manager will look further into this information.

EXTETNDED PUBLIC COMMENT A resident asked about blight around town and thanked the City for the recent black top patching on Ashlund Ave.

MANAGER REPORT City Manager presented a recap of recent events.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

ADJOURN Anderson moved, Tarro seconded, that the meeting

MENT adjourn at 6:51 P.M. Motion CARRIED, all voting yes by roll call vote.

Approved: 6/28/21

Dale White

Dale White, Mayor

Susan J Ahonen

Susan J Ahonen, City Clerk