The regular meeting of the Colby Common Council was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Mayor James Schmidt. On roll call: Solberg, O’Brien, T Schmidt, Kolden, Hesgard, Oestreich, Hederer and Kaiser. Also present were Mayor James Schmidt, Clerk Connie Gurtner and DPW Harland Higley Jr.

**Agenda** was posted by the clerk. The agenda will stand as the order of the meeting.

**Minutes** of the December 8th council meeting were pre-read and reviewed.

Motion was made by Solberg, seconded by Hederer to approve the minutes as presented. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Financial Statement and Bills** were discussed. Motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by O’Brien to approve the bills. The amounts approved are as follows: General Fund $102,696.03; Water Department $36,616.33; Sewer Department $40,010.92; TIF Department $78,549.64; Net payroll $20,751.08. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Colby-Abbotsford Police Commission** met on December 14th.

The commission approved minutes and expenditures.

Public Comment: President Schmidt said he had spoken to Kramer about crediting any future rebate of the worker's compensation premium amount to the specific budget line item rather than just putting the amount into the general fund. Chief Bauer said he would look into the accounting procedure. President Schmidt said the motion increasing the chief's wage rate and stipend for not taking health insurance should be put on the next meeting agenda for clarification. Voss, Soto and Weideman said that was not necessary, as the Abbotsford City Council had approved it with only two "nay" votes. The Colby City Council approved it unanimously, adding the amount of the new wage rate for Bauer, Weich and Bowman as recommended by Colby City Clerk Connie Gurtner, who said the auditors would like to see those wage rates included in the motions to approve the increases.

Discussion was held about Kramer's sporadic attendance at CAPC meetings. President Schmidt said there were times Kramer couldn't attend to due to poor health. President Schmidt asked Voss to speak to Kramer about attending CAPC meetings. He suggested to Voss that if Kramer was unable to attend CAPC meetings, she should consider appointing someone else to fill the position.

2020 Holiday Gifts for Employees: This commission approved providing AbbyColby Crossings Chamber of Commerce gift certificates in the amount of $50.00 to each employee as 2020 Holiday Gifts.

Chief's Report: The K-9 was deployed five times in November, resulting in two arrests. There were 733 activities reported for the month of November. Year-to-date activities have been 9,518 compared to 9,347 activities through the month of November 2019. Chief Bauer said there has been an increase in domestic incidents. The CAPD worked with county social services on a drug incident resulting in relocation. CAPD officers facilitated traffic control for the drive-through Christmas Parade, which went very well. Chief Bauer said things were going good in the Abbotsford and Colby school districts. He said there were no problems with police vehicles. He said details were being handled with Core Technologies regarding reporting software. Chief Bauer said the CAPD would likely be up and running with the new software by the end of February 2021.

**Central Fire & EMS District** met on December 21st.

**City Planning Committee/Joint Review Board** met on December 22nd.

The Joint Review Board met and review the draft plan for the creation of Tax Increment Finance District No. 3.

The City Planning Committee held a public hearing in relation to the creation of TID #3. No citizens had concerns to be addressed at the hearing. The committee approved Resolution 7-2020 recommending the Creation of Tax Incremental Finance District No. 3.

**Resolution 1-2021 Approving the Creation of Tax Incremental Finance District No 3, City of Colby:** Motion was made by T Schmidt, seconded by O’Brien to approve Resolution 1-2021 as follows. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: T Schmidt, Hederer, O’Brien, Kaiser, Oestreich, Hesgard, Solberg. Noes: none. Kolden abstained from voting

***COMMON COUNCIL***

***RESOLUTION APPROVING THE CREATION OF***

***TAX INCREMENTAL FINANCE DISTRICT NO. 3***

***CITY OF COLBY, WISCONSIN***

*WHEREAS, the City of Colby desires to promote development, job growth, infrastructure improvements, and broaden the property tax base in the designated area of Tax Incremental Finance District No. 3; and*

*WHEREAS, pursuant to sec. 66.1105, Wisconsin Statutes, the Planning Committee, City of Colby, Marathon County, Wisconsin has held a public hearing on the proposed Project Plan and Tax Incremental Finance District No. 3 (herein "Project Plan" and “District”) on December 22, 2020 at which time interested parties were afforded a reasonable opportunity to express their views on the proposed Project Plan and District; and*

*WHEREAS, prior to publication of notice of said hearing, a copy of the notice was sent by first class mail to the chief executive officer or administrator of the Colby School District, North Central Technical College, and Marathon County; and*

*WHEREAS, the Project Plan, which is attached to this Resolution and incorporated herein by reference, meets all of the following requirements of sec. 66.1105, Wisconsin Statutes, to wit:*

*A. Includes a statement listing the kind, number and location of all proposed public works and improvements within such District; and*

*B. Contains an economic feasibility study; and*

*C. Contains a detailed list of estimated project costs; and*

*D. Contains a description of the methods of financing, all estimated project costs, and the time when such costs or monetary obligations related thereto are to be incurred; and*

*E. Includes maps showing boundary of the District, existing land use, zoning, future land use, and proposed improvements of real property in such District; and*

*F. Includes proposed changes, if any, in zoning ordinances, master plan, map, building codes, and City ordinances; and*

*G. Contains a list of estimated non-project costs; and*

*H. Contains a statement of the proposed method for the relocation, if any, of persons to be displaced by District projects; and*

*I. Contains a statement indicating how creation of the District promotes the development of the City; and*

*J. Includes an opinion of the City Attorney advising that the Project Plan is complete and complies with sec. 66.1105, Wisconsin Statutes.*

*WHEREAS, the Common Council makes the following findings:*

1. *The name of the District shall be “Tax Increment Finance District #3, City of Colby”, a mixed-use district; and*
2. *The boundaries of the District are described in the attached Project Plan that is incorporated by reference, and such boundaries are contiguous and of sufficient definiteness to identify with ordinary and reasonable certainty the territory included therein. Boundaries include only those whole units of property that are assessed for general tax purposes.*
3. *The creation date of the District for purposes of determining the expenditure and termination periods shall be the date upon which the City Council approves a resolution adopting the Project Plan. For purposes of allocating tax increment the creation date shall be January 1, 2021; and*
4. *Not less than 50% of the real property in the District is suitable for mixed-use development, as defined under State Statute §66.1105(2)(cm); and*
5. *Newly platted residential development, as defined under State Statute §66.1105, will not exceed 35% of the area in the District; and*
6. *The City will only allow tax increment revenue to be spent on newly platted residential development in the District if one of the following three applies:*
   * *Density of the residential housing is at least three (3) units per acre, or*
   * *Residential housing is located in a conservation subdivision, as defined in sec. 66.1027(1)(a), Wis. Stats., or*
   * *Residential housing is located in a traditional neighborhood development, as defined in sec. 66.1027(1)(c), Wis. Stats.*
7. *The estimated percentage of territory within the District that will be devoted to retail business at the end of the maximum expenditure period is not anticipated to exceed 35 percent of the area of the District; and*
8. *The improvement of such area is likely to enhance significantly the value of all other real property in the District; and*
9. *The project costs directly serve to promote mixed-use development consistent with the purposes for which the District is created; and*
10. *The equalized value of the taxable property of the District plus the aggregate value increment of all existing districts within the City does not exceed 12% of the total value of equalized taxable property within the City; and*
11. *The Project Plan for the District is feasible; and*
12. *Improvements to the District are likely to encourage and promote conformity with the City’s planning policies and procedures; and*
13. *The development described in the Project Plan would not occur without the creation of TID #3.*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Colby hereby approves and adopts the Project Plan and boundaries for Tax Incremental Finance District No. 3, said Project Plan being attached and incorporated by reference.*

*BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Common Council does recommend the Project Plan and boundaries for adoption by the Joint Review Board for the City of Colby.*

*Dated this January 5, 2021.*

*James W Schmidt, Mayor*

*Connie L Gurtner, City Clerk*

**DPW Higley:** The following building permits were issued: Dave Strathmann, 300 Lieders St, garage doors; Colby Retirement Community, 510 W Wausau St, garage doors.

DPW Higley reported on the precipitation and flows for December 2020 at the STP. He also reported on the pumpage of water for December 2020.

**Operators’ Licenses:** The city received the following operators’ licenses: Dawn Roewe, 509 N 5th St, Colby; Hanna Meier, 222888 County Rd F, Colby; Madeline Kick, 509 N 5th St, Colby; Keith Roewe, 509 N 5th St, Colby. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Kolden to approve the operators’ licenses as presented. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Resolution 2-2021 Budget Amendments:** Motion was made by T Schmidt, seconded by Hesgard to approve Resolution 2-2021 Budget Amendments as follows. Motion carried with a voice vote.

*RESOLUTION 1-2021*

*APPROVING AMENDMENTS TO THE 2020 BUDGET*

*WHEREAS, certain authorized expenditures within the adopted 2020 Annual Budget need to be reallocated; and*

*WHEREAS, according to Wisconsin Statutes no appropriations may remain overexpended at year end within the annual budget;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Colby that the 2020 budget be amended as follows:*

*Reallocation Expenses as follows*

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| *100-43693* | *RESERVES FROM PREV BUDGET* | *$21,460.00* |
| *100-53430* | *SIDEWALK* | *$2,200.00* |
| *100-54910* | *CEMETERY* | *$4,760.00* |
| *100-53420* | *STREET LIGHTING* | *$4,500.00* |
| *100-57331* | *SIDEWALK - CAPITAL* | *$10,000.00* |
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| *100-45200* | *ROUTES TO RECOVERY MONEY* | *$27,200.00* |
| *100-51100* | *COUNCIL* | *$3,000.00* |
| *100-51440* | *ELECTION* | *$2,000.00* |
| *100-51440-305* | *ELECTION WAGES* | *$8,000.00* |
| *100-57160* | *OFFICE EQUIPMENT* | *$3,000.00* |
| *100-57170* | *CITY HALL CAPITAL* | *$7,200.00* |
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| *100-55200-270* | *PARKS* | *$3,000.00* |
| *110-57460* | *PARKS CAPITAL* | *-$3,000.00* |

*Adopted this 5th day of January, 2020.*

*James W Schmidt, Mayor*

*Connie L Gurtner, City Clerk*

**Carry Over Funds from 2020 to 2021**: Motion was made by T Schmidt, seconded by O’Brien to approve the carry over funds from 2020 to 2021 as follows. Motion carried with a voice vote.

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| FUND |  | BALANCE |
| FUND BALANCE |  | $714,777.47 |
| STREET CONSTRUCTION |  | $61,500.00 |
| CITY HALL |  | $19,500.00 |
| MACHINE/EQUIP |  | $25,104.35 |
| OFFICE EQUIP |  | $1,757.83 |
| OFF STREET PARKING |  | $6,012.23 |
| STREET LIGHTS |  | $5,500.85 |
| ECON DEVELOPMENT |  | $6,580.41 |
| SIDEWALKS |  | $10,247.50 |
| STORM SEWER |  | $10,543.56 |
| FIRE DEPT EQUIP |  | $35,140.26 |
| FIRE HALL MAINTENANCE |  | $73,000.00 |
| OFFICIAL MAPPING |  | $5,000.00 |
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| TOTAL GENERAL |  | $947,664.46 |
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| Well House |  | $25,000.00 |
| Wells |  | $60,000.00 |
| Water Tower |  | $12,500.00 |
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| TOTAL WATER |  | $97,500.00 |
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**Committee meetings for January:**  Colby-Abbotsford Police Commission will meet on January 11, 2021 at 6:30 P.M. at the Police Department. Central Fire & EMS District will meet on January 21, 2021 at 7:00 P.M. at Station 3. Public Works Committee will meet on February 2, 2021 at 6:00 P.M.

**Adjourn:**  Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Kolden to adjourn at 6:56 P.M. Motion carried with a voice vote.  
  
Approved \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

James W Schmidt, Mayor

Attest \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_  
 Connie Gurtner, Clerk