The regular meeting of the Colby Common Council was called to order at 6:30 P.M. by Mayor James Schmidt. On roll call: Sazama, O’Brien, T Schmidt, Kolden, Hesgard, Hederer and Lindeman. Also present were Mayor James Schmidt, Deputy Clerk Polivka, DPW Harland Higley Jr and Engineer Henry Berry from Ratsch Engineering.

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

**Minutes** of the June 1st meeting were pre-read and reviewed. Fix Wally Schorer’s name in the building permit minutes. Motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Hesgard to approve the minutes as presented with the noted spelling error being fixed. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Financial Statement and Bills** were discussed. Motion was made by Hesgard, seconded by Kolden to approve the financial statement and bills. The amounts approved are as follows: General Fund $85,659.21; Water Department $18,333.43; Sewer Department $22,639.16; Net payroll $22,641.44. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Colby-Abbotsford Police Commission** met on June 8th.

The commission approved minutes and expenditures.

Chief’s Report: Chief Bauer said the Department of Justice was preparing a review of the CAPD's performance using the Incident Based Reporting System. He said there were quite a few fights during the recent Abby Fest. The almost chaos situation required assistance from three deputies from the Clark County Sheriff's Department. He said mandatory overtime will be required of CAPD officers next year if the situation persists. Mayor Weix said the Abby Fest draws a big crowd that continues to grow. He suggested moving the event to the mall parking lot next year because it was just too packed on Main Street. Chief Bauer reported on a recent drug investigation conducted with the Clark County Sheriff's Department. He said one drug dealer was arrested. He noted there is more drug enforcement work to do. Chief Bauer said one squad car had brake problems and another squad car required new tires. There were four K-9 activities reported for the month of May, resulting in two arrests. There were 922 total activities reported for the month of May, for a cumulative total of 4,222, compared to 4,858 activities for the first five months of 2020. Chief Bauer clarified which activities were included in the miscellaneous category.

The commission met in closed session to conduct interviews for the open officer position. Motion was made by Schmidt, seconded by Hesgard to approve the hiring of the Police Commission’s top scoring candidate pending the passing of the psychological evaluation and background check with a starting wage of $23.48 per hour with all conditions of the union contract to apply. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Central Fire & EMS District** met on June 17th.

Nancy O’Brien reported on the meeting.

**Personnel/Labor Relations Committee** met on June 22nd.

The committee started reviewing the Employee Personnel Manual that has been reviewed and amended by Lisa Bergersen or EngageHR Law. Review of the manual will continue at a future meeting.

**Public Works Committee** met on June 22nd.

Water Connection at 315 S 3rd Street:The city had a water main that went between the two buildings owned by Scott Oestreich on S 3rd Street. Oestreich’s had a water connection to the building (311 S 3rd Street). The city had to abandon that service because of a leak in the water main. Oestreich’s are asking for a water service to be connected to his North building for free in exchange for losing this service. This service would normally have cost them $845. Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Sazama to allow Oestreich’s to connect to the water service at 315 S 3rd Street (free of charge) in exchange for the lost service at 311 S 3rd Street. In addition, the city will have no obligation to provide a new service to 311 S 3rd Street free of charge in the future. Motion carried with a voice vote.

Plans for N 2nd Street Reconstruction and Extension of Community Drive:

Engineer Mike Voss provided plans for N 2nd Street Reconstruction and Extension of Community Drive. He reviewed them with the committee and asked questions to finalize the plans.

**Mayor Schmidt:** Mayor Schmidt reported on the Clark County Economic Development Corporation. Schmidt also reported that the City currently has a vacancy in the 3rd ward due to an alderman moving. The City will be looking to fill that spot.

**Harland Higley:** The following building permits were issued: Manuel Mireles, 217 S 3rd St, Re-constructing fence in backyard; Leane Hodd, 408 N 4th St, Concrete Driveway; Louie Koffler, 205 S Division St, 10’ x 8’ deck to replace old one; Smith Brothers Meats, 806 S Division St, Concrete Slab 40’ x 30’; Stan Jarzin, 504 W Adams St, 6’ fence; Brett Weiland, 501 N 2nd St, Re-roof; Efrain Torres, 607 N 2nd St, 11’ x 11’ shed for dog; Kayd Soppa, 213 S 3rd St, Re-roof.

DPW Higley reported on the pumpage of water for June 2021. Higley also reported on tires he purchased for the #9 mower and a street light pole that was hit on the south end of town.

**Operator’s Licenses:**



Motion was made by Kolden, seconded by O’Brien to approve the Operator’s License list dated 7/6/2021. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Picnic License – CUDA – Ballpark – Cheese Days 7/16-18:** Motion was made by Hesgard, seconded by Hederer to approve the Picnic License for CUDA to use the Ballpark for Cheese Days 7/16-18. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**City Hall Renovation Bids:** The City received two bids for the City Hall Renovation. The bids were as follows:

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| **Contractor** | **Base Bid** | **Alt. Bid #1** | **Alt. Bid #2** | **Alt. Bid #3** |
| Ellis Stone,  Stevens Point | $127,000 | $600.00 | $1,100.00 | $10,100 |
| Market & Johnson, Eau Claire | $83,134 | $3,379 | $2,253 | $1,748 |

Alternate Bid #1- Provide security glazing for windows A & B

Alternate Bid #2- Provide security glazing for Door 102.1

Alternate Bid #3- Demo existing AC condenser pads. Provide new 5’ x 16’ concrete pad for AC condensers.

Motion was made by Kolden, seconded by Schmidt to approve the bid from Market & Johnson for the City Hall Renovation in the amount of $83,134.00 also approving alternate bids 1,2 & 3. Motion carried with a voice vote.

**Committee meetings for July:**  Colby-Abbotsford Police Commission will meet on July 12, 2021 at 6:30 P.M. at the Police Department. Personnel Committee will meet on July 13, 2021 at 5:00 P.M. City Planning will meet on July 13, 2021 at 6:30 PM. Parks/Rec Committee will meet on July 14, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. Central Fire & EMS will meet on Thursday, July 15, 2021 at 7:00 P.M.

**Adjourn:**  Motion was made by Hederer, seconded by Kolden to adjourn at 7:14 PM. Motion carried with a voice vote.  
  
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James W Schmidt, Mayor

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 Jessie Polivka, Deputy Clerk