

**MINUTES OF THE STUDY SESSION OF THE PRINCETON CITY COUNCIL
HELD ON OCTOBER 6, 2022, 4:30 P.M.**

1. Call To Order / Roll Call

Vice Mayor Jenny Gerold called the meeting to order. Council members present were Vicki Hallin, Jeff Reynolds, and Jules Zimmer. Staff present, Administrator Michele McPherson, Clerk Shawna Jenkins, Public Works Director Bob Gerold, Police Chief Todd Frederick, Wastewater Plant Manager Chris Klinghagen, Fire Chief Ron Lawrence, Liquor Store Manager Dylon Donner and Attorney Damien Toven.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Discuss Draft Cannabis Ordinance

McPherson reported that Marquardt, Frederick, McPherson and Attorney Toven all worked on this ordinance.

Frederick added that he planned on talking to the Tobacco Shop to get their thoughts once the Council has a draft narrowed down.

Zimmerman stated he thinks it is a good ordinance.

McPherson said that several Cities have adopted a similar ordinance or are partway through the process. Sherburne County has not started the process yet.

Frederick added that Milaca is halfway through the process. Onamia and Isle are waiting for Princeton to adopt an ordinance.

McPherson advised that it appears that there is a consensus that the draft is good to move forward in the process.

Attorney Toven left the meeting at 4:48pm

Mayor Thom Walker arrived at 4:49pm

4. Review General Government Worksheets

McPherson briefly went over the General Government Budget worksheets.

5. 2023 Fee Schedule Amendment

McPherson asked the Council if they would like to increase the Airport Hanger Land Lease from the \$.18 per square foot, to \$.20 per square foot.

Jenkins stated that the Riebe Park Primitive Campsites were not on the fee schedule, so she is suggesting that be added.

Staff has discussed a Wi-Fi Access fee for the Civic Center, which will be an added option for renters to choose when renting the Civic Center.

Lawrence has requested the amount of the Knox Boxes be increased to the current cost-plus shipping. Jenkins suggested instead of an amount, it be listed as "current cost plus shipping" so the ordinance does not need to be changed with any change in cost of the Knox Box, or the shipping.

Jenkins will add the Cannabinoid Product License fee to the Fee Schedule.

Jenkins also suggested adding an "On Sale Wine and Strong Beer" license option, as one of the Restaurants in the City has inquired about the option of serving wine and beer once they expand their hours to include a few evenings a week.

Frederick also requested that "Dangerous Dog Monitoring" be added to the Fee Schedule at the State Statute Maximum of \$500 per year.

McPherson questioned if the Council wants to increase the Sewer Rate \$1.00 per 1000 gallons, as it will add approximately \$125,000 in revenue to the Wastewater Fund.

Walker added that the City's sewer rates are slightly high compared to neighboring communities, so the Council should keep that in mind.

With many of the fees being set a long time ago, staff will review the fees and bring recommendations back to the Council.

J GEROLD MOVED TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 5:22 PM. HALLIN SECONDED THE MOTION. THE MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully Submitted,

Shawna Jenkins Tadych
City Clerk

ATTEST:

Thom Walker,
Mayor