CITY OF FOLEY, MINNESOTA

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING – August 15, 2017

The Foley City Council held a workshop meeting on August 1, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. at the Foley City Hall.

Members Present:  Mayor Gerard Bettendorf, Councilmembers Jeff Gondeck, Kris du'Monecaux, Brian Weis and Gary Swanson.

Members Absent:  None

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Motion by du'Monceaux seconded by Weis to approve the agenda.  Motion carried, unanimous.

Motion by Swanson seconded by du'Monceaux to approve the consent agenda which contained the following:

* Approve Joint Powers Agreement for Super Bowl.

Motion carried, unanimous.

**Discussion on 2018 Proposed Budget**

The council reviewed the 2018 proposed budget. Many projects were discussed including improvements at city hall, equipment needs and street improvements. Many amendments to the fee schedule were presented including increases in liquor, planning, park rental and water/sewer fees. The council discussed other options for generating more revenue for the city that does not require the tax levy. Staff provided some estimates on the impact of the proposed 4.89% increase. The county assessor has provided an estimate on a 2.1% increase in city tax capacity which will help offset some of the levy increase. The council recommended proceeding with the proposed budget as is for the preliminary levy in September.

**Broadway Ave N/John Street Parking Lot Discussion**

The council was presented with a design on hard surfacing and curbing the city downtown parking lot located near Five Star Auto. The design also includes a sidewalk connection. The council determined the improvements needed and would like to see the project done as soon as possible in order to provide more parking when Dewey Street is reconstructed. Motion by Swanson seconded by Weis to authorize design of downtown city parking lot.  Motion carried, unanimous.

The council also discussed time parking in the downtown district. City staff will check with legal on enforcing city parking time limits and options.

Brunn provided an updated on some I/I complaints. The council confirmed that staff is to continuing working with property owners and as long as cooperation continues should not seek enforcement action.

Motion by du'Monceaux seconded by Gondeck to adjourn [at 6:50pm](x-apple-data-detectors://embedded-result/611).

Sarah A. Brunn, Administrator