

CALL TO ORDER: *Pledge of Allegiance; Roll Call for the meeting, determine whether a quorum is present; determine whether the meeting has been properly noticed.*

Meeting called to order at 6:30

PRESENT

Aldersperson Ryan Cairns
Aldersperson Karin Tepley
Aldersperson Kevin Melby
Aldersperson Melony Walters
Aldersperson Scotty Wallace
Aldersperson Tom McCarthy

ABSENT

Aldersperson Carson Culver
Aldersperson Susan Fruit

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: *Entertain a motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the last meeting in lieu of printed copies and approve said minutes or correct and approve said minutes.*

1. Minutes for 12/20 & 1/03

Motion made by Aldersperson Wallace to approve the minutes of the December 20, 2022 and January 3, 2023 regular meetings. Seconded by Aldersperson Walters. Motion carried 6-0.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion made by Aldersperson Tepley to approve the agenda as presented. Seconded by Aldersperson Melby. Motion carried 6-0.

CITY AND UTILITY DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS AND CONCERNS:

Clerk Joyce reported that there will be a primary election on February 21st.

MAYOR AND ALDERPERSONS: *Committee/Commission/Board Reports and Comments and/or items to be discussed at a future meeting.*

RC Fire District will have a new clerk. Lacey Luxton was hired after an interview process. She will begin training ASAP. Beth Paasch has served for 1 year as the RCFD Clerk. Mayor Coppernoll noted that there was a recent listening session by Senator Marklein and Representative Kurtz and many people came to discuss the campus. People were very respectful throughout.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

The Treasurer's Report was not available for this meeting.

PAYMENT OF BILLS:

2. Bills 01-17-2023

Motion made by Aldersperson Cairns to approve the bills as presented. Seconded by Aldersperson McCarthy. Motion carried 6-0. Voting Yea: Aldersperson Cairns, Aldersperson

Tepley, Alderperson Melby, Alderperson Walters, Alderperson Wallace, Alderperson McCarthy

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND ACTION:

3. Municipal Taxi License
Motion made by Alderperson Wallace to approve the 2023 Taxi License for Running Inc. Seconded by Alderperson Melby. Motion carried 6-0.

FINANCE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS AND ACTION: (CAIRNS)

4. Request to Purchase Replacement Dike Lights
Dave Fry worked with Scott Gald and Scotty Wallace on this project. Would like to replace 18 lights starting at Hwy 14 and use the removed lights for replacement parts. Graybar was by far the lowest quoted from the multiple suppliers where figures were received. Finance recommended the purchase. Fry is looking to purchase 18 lights replaced at a \$530 each from Graybar. Motion made by Alderperson Cairns to approve the purchase of dike lights at a cost not to exceed \$10,000 from Visual Impact/Graybar and waive the bidding requirements. Second by Alderperson Walters. Motion carried 6-0. Voting Yea: Alderperson Cairns, Alderperson Tepley, Alderperson Melby, Alderperson Walters, Alderperson Wallace, Alderperson McCarthy
5. Update on Street Department Truck Purchase
The pickup truck has been purchased and it is in our possession. Fillback Ford had a vehicle that was available right away. 2022 F250 has been purchased. The price came in under budget. The purchase was approved by the Finance Committee on January 6th.
6. Symons Rec Operational Deficiency Request
Finance did not make a recommendation. Full council is being asked to discuss and decide. \$47,611.41 being requested of the the city, which is 50% of the entire deficiency that covers 2020 and 2021. Communication was not made when the deficiency was taking place. This deficiency is not budgeted in 2023 city budget. Alderperson Cairns asked why this has happened. Should someone from the county come and explain? Consensus was that someone should come from the county and discuss why this is just now being disclosed and how it happened. Walters noted that 2023 funding could have been allocated in a more timely fashion to address the shortfall. Administrator Oliphant said the shortfall is due to Covid, but the explanation should be why it's just now being shared with the stakeholders. McCarthy asked what are the consequences of a "no" vote are. Mayor Coppernoll said he was unsure what would happen if the city did not fulfill the request. Motion by Alderperson Melby to request someone from the county come to the next meeting to explain how and why the Symon's shortfall has taken place and why the deficiency wasn't disclosed earlier. Second by Alderperson Wallace. Motion carried 6-0.

APPOINTMENTS TO COMMITTEES, COMMISSIONS, BOARDS AND CONFIRM APPOINTMENTS:

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT: *No Council action will be taken on any matter originating under this item.*

None.

ADJOURN:

Motion to adjourn made by Alderperson Tepley, Seconded by Alderperson Walters. Motion carried 6-0 at 6:54 PM.