

## City Council Meeting December 6, 2023

The Wymore City Council met in open and public session on Wednesday December 6, 2023 in council chambers. Mayor Meints called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Present were councilpersons Curt Oblinger, Max Allen, Neil Van Boening, and Sue Sapp, and City Attorney Andy Carothers. Notice of the meeting was given by posting in three places, the Wymore Post Office, Arbor State Pharmacy, and the City Office. Notice was given to the Mayor and Council and their acknowledgement of receipt is attached. All proceedings were taken while the meeting was open to the public.

Motion by Max, second by Curt to approve minutes of the last meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Max, second by Sue to approve claims and payroll except checks #27709, 27715, 27720, 27742. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Curt, second by Sue to approve checks #27709 & #27742. Motion carried 3-0, Max abstained.

Motion by Max, second by Sue to approve check #27715. Motion carried 3-0, Neil abstained.

Motion by Max, second by Sue to approve check #27720. Motion carried 3-0, Curt abstained.

Dilapidated Buildings-Tim didn't have any new info at this time. LincOne bank has committed to taking down two properties they own at their own expense.

Public Comment-Mark stated that a water leak was recently discovered in the bathroom off of the bay. Since the wall had to be removed to make repairs, they decided now would be the time to update the bathroom, rather than putting it off until later. The City guys will be working on it in between their projects. Sue Sapp wanted to extend the council's sympathies to city employee Rod Warford in the recent loss of his mother.

Motion by Max, second by Neil to approve Resolution 2023-08, the Year-End Certification of City Street Superintendent Keith Gilmore. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Max, second by Curt to approve the resignation of City Treasurer/Deputy City Clerk Melissa Wach. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Sue, second by Max to approve Krystal Rutti as the newly appointed City Treasurer/Deputy City Clerk. Motion carried 3-0, with Curt abstained.

Motion by Max, second by Sue to approve newly appointed City Treasurer Krystal Rutti to replace previous Treasurer Melissa Wach, as an approved signer, on all current bank accounts. Motion carried 4-0.

Council and Mayor had been provided a copy of the contract with possible new EMS Medical Director, Dr. Jason Krueger. The contract is very similar to the approved contract with previous Medical Director Noah Bernhardson. Mayor Meints would like this topic tabled until next council meeting as he has been unable to reach Dr. Krueger and would like the chance to speak with him and get to know him before appointing him new Medical Director. Motion by Sue, second by Max to table the appointment of Dr. Jason Krueger as the new EMS Medical Director until the next meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Meints went over some minimal changes on boards and committees that will take place for the upcoming year. Discussion held on changes of some committee/board members. Topic will be added to the next agenda for approval.

Discussion held on City's current per diem rate of \$35 a day, in comparison to the federal rate, and consideration of increasing it. Motion by Sue, second by Max to increase the per diem rate from \$35 a day to \$50 a day. Motion carried 4-0.

Tim shared with council he would like to turn off the downtown street lights from 6PM-9PM on Saturday Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> and possibly on Christmas Eve so community members can enjoy the downtown street lights. Everyone in agreement that this has become an annual event many look forward to.

Motion by Sue to adjourn at 8:13 PM.

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Collin Meints, Mayor

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Melissa Wach, Deputy City Clerk