

## City Council Meeting June 21, 2023

The Wymore City Council met in open and public session on Wednesday June 21, 2023 in council chambers. Mayor Meints called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Present were councilpersons Neil Van Boening, Curt Oblinger, Max Allen, and Sue Sapp as well as 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 the minutes of the last meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Sue, second by Max to approve claims & payroll. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Max, second by Curt to approve the treasurer's report. Motion carried 4-0.

### Public Comment:

Mayor Meints wanted to thank the Sam Wymore Day's Committee for the work they put into planning the weekend. Mayor and council members expressed that there was a good turnout and the event went well.

Bryan Davidson was present to give an update on the Police Department Advisory Committee. He gave council members an overview of what they've discussed at each meeting. The advisory committee would like to see Wymore continue with its own police department and their primary focus now is hiring a chief. There is currently a qualified candidate that is interested in the position. Bryan had met with the candidate and his wife recently. The candidate then met with Mayor Meints. It is the suggestion of the Police Department Advisory Committee that Mayor Meints interview this candidate for the position of police chief. Now that the committee has passed on their suggestions to the Mayor and Council members it is up to them to decide how they will move forward. At the time of the council meeting, Mayor Meints had reached out to the candidate via phone call but did not have an interview date set.

Larry Schmidt, representing the Wymore Country Club, called the City office and requested to be placed on the agenda. The Country Club would like to have their irrigation system placed on city water. No one from the country club was present. Discussion was held and at this time, it seems the city water supply would not currently be affected by the expected high usage of the irrigation system at the country club. The city will need to purchase a new water meter. Motion by max, second by Neil to allow the Wymore Country Club, after the city's purchase of a new meter, to use the city water supply for the purpose of irrigation; Country Club will be responsible for providing a proper backflow apparatus and this motion is made with the understanding that this is not guaranteed usage, it could be limited or discontinued, if necessary, due to water restrictions. Motion carried 4-0.

The lease with Senior Diners is up for renewal. Council members along with fire and EMS will look over the previous lease and see if there are any recommendations for changes. Office staff will reach out to Blue Rivers Area Agency on Aging so that they can have someone present at the next meeting as well. Topic will be added to the next agenda.

Shawna Argo, EMS Chief was present to ask council permission for Lew Carr to attend training in Kearney July 6<sup>th</sup>-July 9<sup>th</sup>. He was unable to attend training in March when the rest of the department went. However, there were no charges for his registration or hotel room at that time. Motion by Max, second by Neil to approve Lew Carr to attend EMS Summer Conference July 6<sup>th</sup>-July 9<sup>th</sup> in Kearney, with hotel costs covered and mileage reimbursement. Motion carried 4-0.

Andy Carothers had emailed our TIF attorney after last meeting to clarify the process the fire department needs to go through to apply for TIF funds to paint the fire hall. Mark has the application completed. Andy confirmed it needs to go through CRA. Janet is in the process of setting up the CRA meeting and will let Mark know when it is.

Tim Sedlacek gave an update on the downtown street/light project. Work on the streets continue moving forward. Tiemann's hopes to pour more of the sidewalk by the end of this week. Some light fixtures had come in but were not in acceptable condition. Those were sent back and we are waiting for the new ones to arrive. The electricians do have all of the conduit ran.

Mark provided council members with two applications for new members of the fire department. Both Clifford and Landon Dahlkoetter were present at the meeting. They were voted onto the fire department, by unanimous vote at the last fire meeting. Both were previously members. Motion by Max, second by Sue to approve the applications of Clifford Dahlkoetter and Landon Dahlkoetter as new members of the fire department. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Sue to adjourn at 8:06 PM.

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Collin Meints, Mayor

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Melissa Wach, Deputy City Clerk