

City Council Meeting August 6, 2025

The Wymore City Council met in open and public session on August 6, 2025, in the Council Chambers. Mayor Collin Meints called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Present were Council persons Max Allen, Sue Sapp, Curt Oblinger, and Neil Van Boening. City Attorney Andy Carothers was also in attendance. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by posting in three places: Wymore Post Office, Arbor State Pharmacy, and the City Office. It was also posted in the Fairbury Journal News. Notice was given to the Mayor and Council, and their acknowledgement of receipt is attached. All proceedings shown were taken while the meeting was open to the public.

Motion by Max, seconded by Sue to approve the minutes from the July 16th Council meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Max, seconded by Curt to approve the minutes from the July 30th Budget Meeting. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Max, seconded by Sue to approve Claims and Payroll except checks 30094, 30100, 30108, 30150, & 30152. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Sue, seconded by Curt to approve checks 30094, 30150, & 30152. Motion carried 3 -0 with Max abstaining.

Motion by Max, seconded by Sue to approve check 30100. Motion carried 3-0 with Neil abstaining.

Motion by Max, seconded by Sue to approve check 30108. Motion carried 3-0 with Curt abstaining.

Dilapidated Buildings: Sue reported seeing equipment moved in at the Gambles building. Tim Sedlacek reported Tiemann may start work on the demolition as soon as Saturday. City Attorney Andy Carothers reported he has spoken to Harry Lovell and sent him a quit claim deed for the property at 422 N 7th Street. Janet reported the trailer title has been brought to the City Office. Andy also reported Chet McGrury had been sent pictures of 320 S 9th and just needs a letter of request from the City.

Public Comment: No Public Comment.

Business:

Lawrence Mallam, Joellyn Wittmus and Pam Gerdes were in attendance to discuss the Cemetery Association Bank Accounts. They explained how the accounts have been used. Pam brought reports on all of the accounts to the Council. Motion by Max, seconded by Curt to move all Cemetery Accounts into one 'Cemetery Special' money market account, leaving the CDs alone until they mature, unless they can be moved with no fees. Motion carried 4-0.

In other discussion a \$100,000.00 capital improvements line item was added to the Cemetery Budget to cover expenses for the planned fence project. The Cemetery Association will also need to advertise for bids on the project because it is over the \$30,000.00 amount requiring bids. The Cemetery Association will be placed on the next agenda for further discussion.

Discussion was held about renaming the Fire B&E Money Market 'Fire Special' for accounting purposes. Motion by Max, seconded by Curt to rename the Fire B&E money market 'Fire Special'. Motion carried 4-0.

Tim Sedlacek (Utilities Superintendent) suggested the 2026 1&6 Year Plan be set to maintenance. He would like input from the Council if they would like more than that. There will be a required Public Hearing at the September 3rd Council meeting.

The LARM Pool Insurance renewal was discussed. Motion by Max, seconded by Sue to approve Resolution 2025-2 League Association of Risk Management 2025-26 Renewal Resolution at the 3-year commitment for 5% discount. Motion carried 4-0.

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-02

WHEREAS, THE CITY OF WYMORE is a member of the League Association of Risk Management (LARM);

WHEREAS, section 8.10 of the Interlocal Agreement for the Establishment and Operation of the League Association of Risk Management provides that a member may voluntarily terminate its participation in LARM by written notice of termination given to LARM and the Nebraska Director of Insurance at least 90 days prior to the desired termination given to and that members may agree to extend the required termination notice beyond 90 days in order to realize reduced excess coverage costs, stability of contribution rates and efficiency in operation of LARM; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of LARM has adopted a plan to provide contribution credits in consideration of certain agreements by members of LARM as provided in the attached letter.

BE IT RESOLVED that the governing body of THE CITY OF WYMORE, Nebraska, in consideration of the contribution credits provided under the LARM Board's plan, agrees to:

- Provide written notice of termination at least 180 days prior to the desired termination date, which date shall be no sooner than September 30, 2028. (**180 day and 3 year commitment; 5% discount**)
- Provide written notice of termination at least 180 days prior to the desired termination date, which date shall be no sooner than September 30, 2027. (**180 day and 2 year commitment; 4% discount**)
- Provide written notice of termination at least 180 days prior to the desired termination date, which date shall be no sooner than September 30, 2026. (**180 day notice only; 2% discount**)
- Provide written notice of termination at least 90 days prior to the desired termination date, which date shall be no sooner than September 30, 2028. (**90 day notice and 3 year commitment only; 2% discount**)
- Provide written notice of termination at least 90 days prior to the desired termination date, which date shall be no sooner than September 30, 2027. (**2 year commitment only; 1%**)
- Provide written notice of termination at least 90 days prior to the desired termination date, which date shall be no sooner than September 30, 2026. (**90 day Notice only**)

Adopted this 6 day of August, 2025.

Departmental Budgets were discussed. There were changes to the Cemetery and Fire Department budgets. Motion by Sue, seconded by Max to approve the 2025-26 Departmental Budgets with changes to the Cemetery and Fire Budgets. Motion carried 4-0.

Mark Meints gave an update on the Police Department. Everything was moved out of the trailer and back into the department office. Council Person Neal VanBoening reported the Police Department Advisory Committee voted at their last meeting not to proceed further with the applicant that lives a long way away. Lisa Munstermann reported they are looking into different strategic ideas.

Motion by Max, seconded by Neil to approve Resolution 2025-03 Annual Certification of

Program Compliance. **RESOLUTION SIGNING OF THE MUNICIPAL ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF PROGRAM COMPLIANCE 2025** **Whereas:** State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2115, 39-2119, 39-2120, 39-2121, and 39-2520(2), requires an annual certification of program compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and standards; and **Whereas:** State of Nebraska Statutes, sections 39-2115, 39-2119, 39-2120, 39-2121, and 39-2520(2), requires an annual certification of program compliance to the Nebraska Board of Public Roads Classifications and standards; and **Whereas:** State of Nebraska Statute, section 39-2120 also requires that the annual certification of program compliance by each municipality shall be signed by the Mayor or Village Board Chairperson and shall include the resolution of the governing body of the municipality authorizing the signing of the certification. **Whereas:** State of Nebraska Statute, section 39-2120 also requires that the annual certification of program compliance by each municipality shall be signed by the Mayor or Village Board Chairperson and shall include the resolution of the governing body of the municipality authorizing the signing of the certification. **Be it resolved** that the Mayor of The City of Wymore is hereby authorized to sign the Municipal Annual Certification of Program Compliance.

Motion by Max, seconded by Sue to approve having the Southern Cheerleaders paint 4, 30 inch 'S' logos on the sidewalks at the City Office, and the three new restroom facilities. Motion carried 4-0.

Tim Sedlacek asked the Council for input on how to respond or not respond to Facebook posts that are unfounded or untrue. The Council would like a general response of "If you have questions or concerns, please come to the City Council Meetings on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7pm.

Public Comment: Rob Cresse was in attendance to ask a few question about the street in his area, street light and if he was allowed to put up a fence around a transformer and internet boxes. Tim will look into the issues and get back to him.

Sue made a motion to adjourn at 8:33pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Collin Meints, Mayor

Janet Riensche, City Clerk

