

## City Council Meeting June 1, 2022

The Wymore City Council met in open and public session on June 1, 2022, in the Council Chambers. Mayor Milton Pike 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. 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. Max made a motion to approve the minutes from the last meeting. Curt seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Max made a motion to approve Claims and Payroll except check #25379. Curt seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Sue made a motion to approve check #25379. Curt seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-0 with Max abstaining.

Public comment: Mark Meints brought it to the council's attention that Gordon Michaelis has reached the milestone of 50 years of service as a volunteer fire fighter. Congratulations Gordon.

Marlene and Larry Nickell were in attendance to protest the condemnation of their building at 207 S 7<sup>th</sup> Street, asking why they were told to stop fixing it. After much discussion it was decided to give them a chance to speak to the building inspector and see if they could come to an agreement on how to fix the building safely. Andy will send a letter with contact information.

It was reported to the Council that the Planning and Zoning Committee approved a building permit for the new Welsh Heritage Inn at 322 S 7<sup>th</sup> St. Sue made a motion to approve the building permit for the Welsh Heritage Inn at 322 S 7<sup>th</sup> St. Max seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Shawna Argo asked about sending patients to collections in the light of the upcoming change in billing companies. She also requested an EMS Collections Representative be designated. Andy suggested that we wait to send anyone to collections until the billing has been straightened out. He also stated any future collections should go through the city treasurer. Quick Meds was given 60 days' notice and then the new company will take over. Andy has asked Quick Meds for a status report. He will follow up with them at the end of 60 days.

Sue made a motion to accept Carla Wegner's resignation from the Wymore Public Library. Max seconded the motion adding a thank you for her service. Motion carried 4-0.

Lewis Carr was in attendance to address a drainage issue on the street at the Presbyterian Church. After some discussion it was decided Tim Sedlacek and Lewis will get the issue worked out.

Janie Rudder was in attendance to address the question of insurance for the School House at McCandless Park which is leased to the Welsh Heritage Center. They would like to acquire insurance with LARM and reimburse the City for the premium. Which would be a good savings for them. Andy will get the lease revised for the next meeting. Tabled.

Tim Sedlacek stated there was nothing to report on the change of date for the street project, as he has not heard from Gilmore and Associates.

Neil made a motion to allow Melissa Wach to attend the Accounting and Finance Conference in Kearney Conference with mileage, meals, hotel, and conference fees paid. Max seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Officer Willmann requested permission to live outside of Wymore. Neil made a motion to accommodate Officer Willmann's request to live outside of Wymore. Sue seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-1, with Curt voting no.

The new LIGHT insurance offered by the League of Nebraska Municipalities was discussed. Janet will set up a meeting with the representative as a special open meeting so the council members and employees can attend.

Max made a motion to allow flexible street closures downtown for Sam Wymore Days, as long as the city employees are the ones closing the streets. Sue seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Max made a motion for the city to donate ten \$10.00 certificates in Community Cash to the Sam Wymore Days Car Show and Shine. Sue seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Milton Pike reported that the grass in the fields around the wells is prime for mowing. It was the consensus of the Council to have Chris Meints cut and bail it as hay and compensate him for his work. Putting the fields up haying bids will be considered at a later date.

Repair of the downtown whistle was discussed. After much discussion it was decided to move this to the next agenda.

Sue made a motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

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Milton Pike, Mayor

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Janet Riensche, City Clerk