

City Council Meeting June 16, 2021

The Wymore City Council met in open and public session on June 16, 2021, in the Community Center. Mayor Milton Pike called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM. Present were Councilpersons Curt Oblinger, Neil VanBoening, Max Allen, Sue Sapp, and City Attorney Andy Carothers. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by posting in three places: Wymore Post Office, Arbor State Pharmacy, and 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 June 2nd meeting. Neil questioned the wording about the land for the proposed firing range (a small portion of which falls in the county.) After some discussion it was amended to say (a small portion which lies outside the city limits, but is city owned.) Max changed his motion to approve the minutes as amended. Neil seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Sue made a motion to approve claims and payroll. Curt seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Public Comment:

Sue wanted to thank everybody that helped with the Sam Wymore Days Celebration. She also thanked the city for allowing the Kiwanis to use the Community Center for their breakfast.

Mark brought it to the council's attention that he and Melissa had been in communication with SENDD and there are possible grants through them for the fire truck. This will be added to the next agenda.

Dilapidated Properties:

Andy stated the Gambles building should be inspected this weekend or early next week.

Business:

James Ullman was in attendance to request council approval to obtain an SDL and have a beer garden behind J&M Liquor on September 5th from 5pm to 2am, with an alternate date of September 11th to celebrate Labor Day. Max made a motion to approve J&M Liquor for an SDL to have a beer guard on September 5th from 5pm to 2am, with an alternate date of September 11th. Sue seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

There was discussion on the acquisition of the property at 301 S 15th St. Andy stated that the current owner acquired the property on a tax sale. He came down and toured it with Tim. He would be willing to deed it over to the city for demolition. This would bring the city to four properties scheduled to be demolished. There was concern about any back taxes being paid. There would also be the cost of asbestos abatement. Mike suggested the taxes be looked into and then go from there. No action was taken on this matter.

City Attorney Andy Carothers discussed Ordinance No. 664 which deletes subsection 5 from Section 5-516 which requires operators and passengers of ATV/UTV to wear helmets. Mark Meints stated that studies show that helmets do save lives, followed by a discussion amongst the members of the City Council. There being no motion to suspend the required three readings for the passage of the ordinance, Councilmember Allen moved to approve Ordinance No. 664, and Councilmember Sapp seconded the motion. City Attorney Andy Carothers read the ordinance by title. The second reading of Ordinance No. 664 will occur at the July 7, 2021 City Council meeting, and the third reading of Ordinance will occur at the July 21, 2021 City Council meeting.

Shawna Schwartz was on hand to request that Council approve Dr. Noah Bernhardson as the new Medical Director for Wymore EMS. He studied under Dr Bonta. He has been down to go over some things and look at the territory. He wants to be actively involved with trainings and go on some runs with EMS. Max stated he is not looking to reinvent the wheel, but work with what they have and make improvements. Shawna stated that there were a couple of changes Dr. Bernhardson would like made to the previous contract. Andy stated he would get with Shawna to revise the contract. Sue made a motion to approve Dr. Noah Bernhardson as Medical Director for Wymore EMS. Max seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Shawna requested approval for EMS to send Clark McMurray (who was on hand to answer any questions) to EMT school at SCC in Lincoln. It runs from August 24th to September 15th. The cost of \$1100.00 includes any books needed. If he passes and gets his license within 30-60 days, the state will reimburse \$600.00 of that fee. Andy stated that there is a contract for the candidate to sign agreeing to serve the department for 18 months. The department does have this within their budget. Max made a motion to send Clark McMurray to EMT School. Neil seconded the motion. Motion Carried 4-0.

Council was made aware of a claim that Eric Hagood made for water damages caused by a shutoff valve inside the old A&N Bar that burst during the extreme cold. The claim has been sent to LARM for review. Marvin Dunn has also made a claim which will also be sent to LARM.

Mark Meints requested Council approval for new member Saul Garcia (who was on hand to answer any questions). Mark stated the Fire Department voted to approve him at Monday's meeting. Sue asked how many members the department has. Mark said he believed there are around 20. Max made a motion to approve Saul Garcia as a new member of the Fire Department. Sue seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Sue made the motion to adjourn. Max seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Milton Pike/Mayor

Janet Riensche/City Clerk