

City Council Meeting November 15, 2023

The Wymore City Council met in open and public session on Wednesday November 15, 2023 in council chambers. Mayor Meints called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Present were councilpersons, Max Allen, Curt Oblinger, Neil VanBoening, and Sue Sapp. City Attorney Andy Carothers was not present at the meeting. 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 Max, second by Curt to approve claims and payroll, except check #27687. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Curt, second by Sue to approve check #27687. Motion carried 3-0, with Max abstaining.

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

Public Comment: Max would like to thank Tim and his city crew for getting the Christmas lights hung up during the good weather and getting them repaired and ready for lighting next week. Mark Meints shared with council that the FD has received a grant from Norris Public Power in the amount of \$1500. They will be putting it towards a new hose tester for the department. Tim shared the City was awarded a Safety Grant from LARM. It was used to purchase back up cameras for two of the city trucks.

Janet requested approval from the council to attend Clerk School in Columbus, NE in March 2024.

Motion by Max, second by Sue to approve Janet to attend the 2024 NE Municipal Clerks Institute and Academy in Columbus, March 17<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> to include cost of registration fee, hotel, meals, and mileage reimbursement. Motion carried 4-0.

Max requested that we put the topic of Per Diem Rate on the next agenda to evaluate if it needs to be increased.

Shawna Argo presented EMS with a list of the newly elected Board Members for EMS. Max stated most positions stayed the same. Clark McMurray wanted to step down from Secretary/Treasurer, as he felt he didn't have enough time to complete the required duties. He was elected as Safety/Training Officer. Special Election was held for Secretary/Treasurer position with Amanda Jarchow being elected. Her term will last one year. Motion by Max, second by Neil to approve newly elected EMS Board Members for the 2023-2024 election year. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion by Sue, second by Max to approve new FD bylaw, Article 6, Section 2, changing meeting time from 8PM to 7PM on the second Monday of each month. Motion carried 4-0.

Tim gave council an update on where things stand with finding a new engineer. He met with CES a company out of Marysville, KS last week and will be meeting with JEO, out of Omaha, next week. He will provide an update at a later time.

Motion by Sue to adjourn at 7:20 PM.

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Collin Meints, Mayor

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Melissa Wach, Deputy City Clerk