



New Richland City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

August 14th, 2023

Members Present

Chad Neitzel
Jason Casey
Jody Wynnemer
Janda Ferguson
Loren Skelton

Staff Present

Anthony Martens-City Administrator
Tanyce Bruegger-Chief of Police

Others Present

Pam Goehring
Brian Stennes
Amber Lewer
Kole Kleinschmidt, CLA
Larry Goehring
Dan Lewer
Dale Siegfried, CLA

Members Absent

None

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Chad Neitzel at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call - All members present

Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Agenda

- Administrator Martens requested that the Old Warning Siren be added to New Business #4.
- Motion made by Jody Wynnemer and seconded by Loren Skelton to approve the agenda.
Carried (4 yes, 0 no)

Consent Agenda

- Motion made by Loren Skelton and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to approve the consent agenda.
Carried (4 yes, 0 no)

Public Comments

- None

Requests and Presentations

- Care Center Audit Presentation
 1. Dale Siegfried presented the Care Center 2022 Audit
 2. Motion made by Loren Skelton and seconded by Janda Ferguson to approve the care center audit. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)

Public Hearings

1. Mayor Chad Neitzel opened the public hearing on THC Moratorium Resolution at 6:42pm.
 - a. No one wishing to be heard at this time

Ordinances and Resolutions (see attached)

1. Resolution 23-14: A Resolution approving a THC Moratorium
 - Motion was made by Jody Wynnemer and seconded by Loren Skelton to adopt resolution 23-14. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)

Reports

1. Ambulance Report – In Writing
 - Ambulance report was presented in writing by Ambulance Director Sundve
 - Motion was made by Loren Skelton and seconded by Jason Casey to approve the Ambulance Department report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)



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Reports (continued):

2. Fire Department Report – In Writing
 - Fire Department report was presented in writing by Chief Moen
 - Discussion was had regarding the sale of the old parade truck to Brian Stennes. Council directed Administrator Martens to look into the requirements for the sale and options.
 - Motion made by Jody Wynnemer and seconded by Loren Skelton to approve the Fire Department report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
3. Police Department Report – Chief Bruegger
 - Police Department report was presented by Chief Bruegger.
 - Motion was made by Loren Skelton and seconded by Jason Casey to approve the hiring of Drew DeRaad as a part-time officer. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
 - Motion made by Janda Ferguson and seconded by Jason Casey to approve the Police Department report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)

Unfinished Business

- None

New Business

1. THC Public Consumption Ordinance
 - a. THC Public Consumption ordinance was presented.
 - b. Motion made by Loren Skelton and seconded by Jason Casey to set a public hearing for August 28th, 2023, at 6:35 pm
2. Building Inspector Information
 - a. Administrator Martens presented information regarding termination of the current building inspection contract
3. 2024 Budget – Initial Conversation
 - a. Discussion was had regarding the 2024 budget
 - b. Motion was made by Jason Casey and seconded by Loren Skelton to schedule a work session for the 2024 budget immediately following the August 28th, 2023, regular City Council Meeting. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)
4. Old Warning Siren
 - a. Administrator Martens provided information to the council of the interest received in the old warning siren that was recently replaced.
 - b. Motion made by Loren Skelton and seconded by Janda Ferguson to approve the publication of sale of the old siren via sealed bid. All bids must be into the Administrators office no later than 4:30 pm, Friday August 25th, 2023. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)

Miscellaneous

- Dan and Amber Lewer spoke to the council regarding flooding and EDA items including the opportunity to bring more business to town.



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Administrators Report

- Administrator Martens provided a report in writing to the council on tasks completed since last meeting.
- Motion was made by Loren Skelton and seconded by Janda Ferguson to approve the administrators report. Carried (4 yes, 0 no)

Mayor/Council Comments

- Council member Casey asked the Administrator Martens look into the possibility and legal issues with the city operating a THC Dispensary and inquired about welcome sign funds

Adjournment – Motion for adjournment made by Loren Skelton and seconded by Janda Ferguson.
Carried (4 yes, 0 no) 7:56 p.m.

Submitted by,

Anthony Martens
City Administrator