

Regular Council Meeting – February 14, 2022

Members Present

Jason Casey

Gail Schmidt
Loren Skelton
Jody Wynnemer

Others Present

Eli Lutgens
Sara Jo Vulcan
Eric Hendrickson
Tony Martens
Trevor Twite
Deborah Chance
Jackie Schlaak
Mallory Groskreutz

Jodi Groskreutz
Brenda Routh
Adam Groskreutz
Wade Chance
Julianna LaMotte
Kelly Routh
Sarah Sundve
Scarlett Chance
Abram Chance

Members Absent- Chad Neitzel

The meeting was called to order by “Mayor for a Day” – Mallory Groskreutz at 6:30 p.m.

Roll Call – Mallory Groskreutz, absent Chad Neitzel

Pledge of Allegiance – led by Scarlet Chance – “Mayor for the Day” Honorable Mention

Approval of Agenda – Motion made by Jody Wynnemer and seconded by Loren Skelton to approve the agenda as presented. Carried (3 yes, 0 no)

Reading of the Essay – Mallory Groskreutz

Reading of the Essay – Scarlett Chance

Consent Agenda Items-

1. Minutes of January 24th, 2022 Meeting-Motion made by Jody Wynnemer and 2nd by Jason Casey to accept minutes. Carried (3 yes, 0 no)
2. Accounts Payable – Motion made by Loren Skelton and 2nd by Jason Casey to approve payables. Carried (3 yes, 0 no)
3. Financial Report – Motion to table until the next meeting by Jason Casey and 2nd by Loren Skelton. Carried (3 yes, 0 no)

Petitions & Requests - none

Ordinances & Resolutions - none

Reports

1. NR Ambulance Dept Report – Sarah Sundve. Motion to approve new EMT Aaron Olson by Loren Skelton, 2nd by Jody Wynnemer. Carried (3-0) Motion to accept the report was made by Loren Skelton and 2nd by Jason Casey Carried (3 yes, 0 no).
2. Fire Department Report – Mayor Schmidt brought up the purchase of building across the street. City Administrator will contact Perry Berg for more information on land and cost to move forward.
3. Police Depart – Tony Martens. Motion to approve training for Chief Martens in April by Loren Skelton, 2nd Jody Wynnemer. Carried. (3-0) Motion to approve Deputy Bruegger for training at MAWP in May at a cost of \$723.00 by Jody Wynnemer, 2nd Loren Skelton. Carried. (3-0) Discussion on looking into pay for part-time officers. Chief Martens will look into numbers on full-time/part-time officers in other towns. Motion to accept report by Jason Casey, 2nd Loren Skelton. Carried. (3-0)

Unfinished Business – Motion to pay single insurance coverage for all employees by Loren Skelton, 2nd Jason Casey. Carried (3 – 0)

Tabled until more information on VEBA (Further Account) until next meeting.

New Business

1. Water Meter – Julianna Lamotte. Discussion on her high water bill. Old meter was taken out and sent in to be tested where they found no problems. Eric will put the old meter back in and keep checking it for the next month to see if they can find out the issue.
2. Tony and Michelle did some checking into a new phone system for the City to replace the 1980's system. The City would save money by upgrading and have a much better system. Approve the switch to a 3 year contract to Midco by Jason Casey, 2nd Loren Skelton. Carried. (3 – 0) Motion to approve headsets up to \$2,000 to use Cares Act money by Loren Skelton, 2nd Jason Casey. Carried. (3-0)

Miscellaneous –

Adjournment – Motion for adjournment made by Loren Skelton, 2nd Jody Wynnemer. Carried (3 yes, 0 no) 8:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted
Michelle Johnson
City Clerk