



# New Richland City Council Regular Meeting Minutes

**August 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

## **Members Present**

Janda Ferguson  
Ryan Gehrke  
Jason Casey  
Jody Wynnemer

## **Staff Present**

Anthony Martens-City Administrator  
Bob Johannsen- Care Center Administrator  
Shell Johnson-People Service  
Eric Hendrickson-Maintenance &  
Utility Supervisor

## **Others Present**

Pam Goehring      Larry Goehring  
Robert Swenson      Ben Revermann  
Dan Lewer      e-Brenda Routh  
Amber Lewer      e-Dylan Arnold

## **Members Absent**

None

**The meeting was called to order** by Mayor Janda Ferguson at 6:30 p.m.

**Roll Call** - All members present

## **Pledge of Allegiance**

## **Approval of Agenda**

- Motion made by Ryan Gehrke and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to approve the agenda.  
Carried (3 yes, 0 no)

## **Consent Agenda**

- Motion made by Jody Wynnemer and seconded by Ryan Gehrke to approve the consent agenda  
Carried (3 yes, 0 no)

## **Public Comments**

- None

## **Requests and Presentations**

1. The Steeple Event Center – Ethan & Angel Hagen
  - a. Presentation regarding the purchase of the 1<sup>st</sup> Congregational Church and the hope to turn it into an event center. Staff directed to work with them and to get them in touch with the EDA and Planning and Zoning to help direct their operations and decision making.

## **Public Hearings**

- None

## **Ordinances and Resolutions** (see attached)

1. Motion made by Ryan Gehrke and seconded by Jason Casey to adopt resolution 24-17: A Resolution Adopting an Updated City Fee Schedule.  
Carried (3 yes, 0 no)

## **Reports**

1. Care Center Report – Bob Johannsen, Care Center Administrator
  - Care Center report was presented by Bob Johannsen
  - Motion was made by Ryan Gehrke and seconded by Jason Casey to approve the Care Center Report. Carried (3 yes, 0 no)
2. People Service Report – Shell Johnson
  - People Service report was presented by Shell Johnson
  - Motion made by Jason Casey and seconded by Ryan Gehrke to approve the People Service report. Carried (3 yes, 0 no)



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## ***Reports continued.***

3. Maintenance Report – Eric Hendrickson, Maintenance & Utility Supervisor
  - Maintenance & Utility Report was presented by Eric Hendrickson
  - Motion made by Ryan Gehrke and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to approve the Maintenance Department report. Carried (3 yes, 0 no)

## **Unfinished Business**

- None

## **New Business**

1. July 2024 Check Register
  - Motion made by Ryan Gehrke and seconded by Jason Casey to approve the July 2024 Check Register. Carried (3 yes, 0 no)
2. July 2024 Financials
  - Motion made by Ryan Gehrke and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to approve the July 2024 Financials. Carried (3 yes, 0 no)
3. Updated City Council Pay Policy
  - Council discussed the possibility of updating the pay policy for 2025. Motion made by Jody Wynnemer and seconded by Jason Casey to table discussion and adoption of this policy at this time. Carried (3 yes, 0 no)
4. City Council Appointment
  - Motion made by Ryan Gehrke and seconded by Jody Wynnemer to Appoint Brandy Jacobson to fill the council opening. Carried (2 yes, 1 no – Casey)
5. City Council Chairs
  - Motion made by Jody Wynnemer and seconded by Ryan Gehrke to purchase chairs for the council chambers at \$373.92. Carried (3 yes, 0 no)

## **Miscellaneous**

- None

## **Administrators Report**

- Administrator Martens provided a report in writing to the council on tasks completed since last meeting.
- Motion made by Jody Wynnemer and seconded by Jason Casey to approve the City Administrators report. Carried (3 yes, 0 no)

## **Mayor/Council Comments**

- None

**Adjournment** – Motion for adjournment made by Jody Wynnemer and seconded by Ryan Gehrke. Carried (3 yes, 0 no) 7:13 p.m.

Submitted by,

Anthony Martens  
City Administrator