

City of Wendell
Regular Council Meeting
Minutes October 20, 2022

Mayor Vipperman called the regular meeting of the Wendell City Council to order at 7:00 PM. Council members present **BJ Marshall, Shaun Spencer, and Juan Gonzales**. **City Attorney Tim Stover** was also present. **John Gnesa** notified the Clerk's office and Mayor/Council in advance that he would be unable to attend the meeting.

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Councilman Spencer made a motion to approve the October 6, 2022, Regular Council Meeting minutes as amended. **Councilman Gonzales** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall-Aye, Councilman Spencer Aye** and **Councilman Gonzales- Aye**; motion passed.

BILLS

Councilman Spencer made a motion to approve the bills with the exception of WoodRiver RC & D in the amount of \$24,214.74. **Councilman Gonzales** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall-Aye, Councilman Spencer Aye** and **Councilman Gonzales- Aye**; motion passed.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

(Public Works/Clerk-Treasurer/Fire/Police/Library/Ordinance)

NEW BUSINESS (discussion/action items)

Guadalupe Madrigal to discuss Neighbor's Roof

This privately owned building is split to hold more than one business. Guadalupe wanted to bring the condition of the roof connected to her portion of the building to the city's attention. She brought photos of the damaged portion of the roof from the vantage point of her roof. The city is not responsible for privately owned commercial buildings and has no legal recourse. The roof or damage is not visible from the street. The city is unable to assist Guadalupe in forcing the building owner to fix the problem. No motion needed.

Lilian Mendez Senior Project- Little Free Library

Lilian Mendez was present with Jordan Lancaster to present her senior project that would provide a community book box in the City Park with an emphasis on “take a book, leave a book.” After discussion, it was decided that the Little Free Library would be donated to the city and Public Works will assist in its installation in the park. **Councilman Spencer** made a motion to accept the donation of the Little Free Library to be installed in the City Park. **Councilman Gonzales** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall-Aye, Councilman Spencer Aye** and **Councilman Gonzales- Aye**; motion passed.

Consideration of Proposal for Legal Review by American Legal Codification

This will be considered for budget 2023-2024. No motion needed.

Consideration of Quote for Safety Window Tinting at City Hall

This will be considered for budget 2023-2024 and should include information for window replacement as well as safety tinting. No motion needed.

Consideration of Quote for 2 Phones (Public Works Director and Code Enforcement/Animal Control)

Tabled. No motion needed.

Consideration of Quote for New Sign Proposal

Mayor Vipperman presented a proposal for new signs with the new City logo. Tabled.

Consideration of Quote for Public Works Radios

Chief Bailey and Public Works Director Stephen Devereaux presented a quote from White Cloud for 5 new radios and service for Public Works and also to be used for the members of Public Works who are also volunteers for the Wendell Fire Department. White Cloud already has radio towers in place in Wendell. The radios would reduce the necessity of using personal cell phones to communicate during work hours for Public Works employees and improve

communication between them. After discussion, **Councilwoman Marshall** made a motion to approve the purchase of the radios and service from White Cloud in the amount of \$4047.50 and to be split 4 ways between Streets, Water, Sewer, and the Wendell Fire Department. **Councilman Spencer** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall-Aye, Councilman Spencer Aye** and **Councilman Gonzales- Aye**; motion passed.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS (discussion/action items)

Business License Ordinance Review- Compliance & Penalties

The penalty for noncompliance in obtaining a City of Wendell Business licenses is still under review. The council would like to change the wording of the penalty in the Ordinance. This will be reviewed at a future date. No motion needed.

Consideration of Gooding County Building Inspector Agreement

This was brought back for consideration after attorney review. City Attorney Tim Stover has worked with Gooding County to answer questions the council had. After discussion, **Councilwoman Marshall** made a motion to move forward and accept the Gooding County Building Inspector Agreement as presented. **Councilman Spencer** seconded the motion. Roll call vote taken; **Councilwoman Marshall-Aye, Councilman Spencer Aye** and **Councilman Gonzales- Aye**; motion passed.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

COUNCIL

Councilwoman Marshall requested more detailed quotes from IT providers. She stated that she and the clerk had attended the AIC Fall Meeting and had participated in an exercise building a city with Legos. It was designed to represent the different aspects and balance that could be necessary to meet a

City's vision and a developer working toward that vision. Then Jim McNall gave a Planning and Zoning presentation.

Councilman Spencer spoke on the successes and hard work of the High School Soccer team and the Track team.

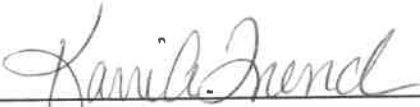
Councilman Gonzales complimented the Public Works department on their professionalism and teamwork.

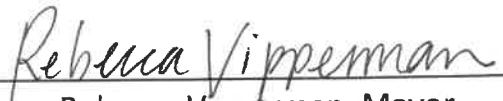
MAYOR

Mayor Vipperman stated that the Wendell Chamber of Commerce has dissolved and decisions on how to handle that are going to have to be discussed. She stated that she should have an update on the designs for the new park at the next meeting. She stated that she, Chief Bailey, and Public Works Director Steve Devereaux have been working with the Highway District on plans for future cooperative projects. She also stated that the city has a great team who works well together and are all doing a great job.

Adjourn

Councilman Gonzales made a motion to adjourn the meeting of the Wendell City Council at 8:39 PM. **Councilman Spencer** seconded the motion. Motion passed.


Karri French, City Clerk/Treasurer


Rebecca Vipperman, Mayor