



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Monday, February 12, 2024 at 7:00 PM

City Hall

MINUTES

1. Call to Order

Mayor Linnell called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

2. Flag Salute

3. Roll Call

PRESENT

Mayor Troy Linnell

Council Member Timothy Fairley

Council Member Lynda Osborn

Council Member William Thomas

Council Member David White

4. Presentation

A. Introduction of New Police Officers and Recognition

City Clerk Dana Parker conducted the Oath of Office for Officers Dawson, Szathmary, and Rosario.

B. 4th Quarter 2023 Finance Report

City Administrator Jessica Griess presented the 4th quarter finance report.

5. Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Council Member Fairley, Seconded by Council Member Osborn.

Voting Yea: Council Member Fairley, Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas, Council Member White

6. Consent Agenda

A. Minutes

Motion made by Council Member Thomas, Seconded by Council Member Fairley.

Voting Yea: Council Member Fairley, Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas, Council Member White

B. Audit of Reports

1. Claims #113461 - #113503 = \$242,904.34

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2. Payroll #61583 - #61586 = \$ 94,318.42

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7. Reports

Council Member David White - None

Council Member Timothy Fairley - None

Council Member Lynda Osborn - We closed down the non profit and have turned over 15,800.00 for the Police Department to help others in need. The chief responded that it will be used for emergency services and the the City of Algona Police Department appreciates their donation.

Council Member William Thomas - Thank you Linda for all the work that your non-profit has done for the city.

Public Works Director Russ Avery - Russ went over his Goal and Objectives for the Public Works Department for 2024. They included Safety, Invest in people, improve internal and external communication, building and planning and Capital improvement projects. We had a leak on 4th this weekend which Dean and I fixed. There was a citizen's fence that fell onto city property and the crew went over and helped the homeowner put it back on their property.

Chief of Police James Schrimpsheer - Kudos to our Public Works crew. Someone dumped two five gallon buckets of sheet metal screws at the new stop sign at 8th and Algona Blvd. The crew used a magnet to get them it picked up. We will be putting up cameras. It is a safety issue.

City Administrator Jessica Griess - I sent you out my first administrative report at the first of the month. I will continue to send them out at the beginning of each month. Please let me know if you need a copy and they are available if citizens want a copy. Friday will be the adult social. Everyone is invited. I have submitted the site plan for the new web site and they are still working on the development.

Mayor Troy Linnell - None

8. Audience Participation

The City Council encourages public participation during meetings of the City Council and welcomes your comments. This time is set-aside for you to speak to the City Council on any issue. The Council ordinarily takes non-agenda matters under advisement before taking action. You are also invited to comment on action items as they are considered during the meeting. Individual speakers will be limited to three (3) minutes each in addressing the City

Council. When addressing the Council, please speak clearly and audibly and state your name and address for the record.

Rick Connell - 340 Milwaukee. I want to commend Public Works, Lee, RJ and Carlous on their fantastic customer service. Is there any way to lower the speed limit on some of the side roads? There are a lot of families and children out and cars have been speeding. Can we not reduce the speed to 15 to 20 mph like it is on Washington and Ward Street? Chief Schrimpscher responded that those streets were grandfathered in as the police department use to be a school zone. He recommended that we start utilizing the speed survey signs in neighborhoods. He will set up a deployment calendar that will be done on a weekly basis. He will report back to the council at the first council meeting in April.

9. Discussion

- A. 2024 Comprehensive Plan - Introduction Chapter, Capital Facilities and Utilities, Natural Environment, and Algona Parks and Rec Elements

Caitlin Hepworth provided a brief summary of the elements of the Comprehensive Plan in front of the Council for review.

10. New Business

11. Old Business

12. Ordinances & Resolution

- A. Resolution 1271-24, EJ Municipal Land Use Planning Agreement

Motion made by Council Member Fairley, Seconded by Council Member Thomas.
Voting Yea: Council Member Fairley, Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas, Council Member White

- B. Resolution 1272-24, Transportation Improvement Board Grant Agreement

Motion made by Council Member Fairley, Seconded by Council Member Thomas.
Voting Yea: Council Member Fairley, Council Member Osborn, Council Member Thomas, Council Member White

13. Next Workshop

Futurewise - Wetland Preserve Update

Code Enforcement Update

14. Adjournment

Mayor Linnell adjourned the meeting at 8: P.M.

ATTEST:

Dana Parker – City Clerk

Troy Linnell – Mayor