

MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETING
January 17, 2023

A regular council meeting was duly called to order by Mayor Robert Roesler at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 17, 2023 with members present: Robert Roesler, Sarah Kramer, Matt Larson, Kurt Olson, and Brad Ringnell. Also present Leslie Heffele, City Administrator.

Council Member Sarah Kramer was sworn in by taking the Oath of Office.

Open Public Comments: None

Motion by Ringnell to approve the agenda with the addition of agenda item 4, Remove Lifespark employee signatures from Temperance Lake Ridge bank accounts, second by Larson. Carried.

Motion by Ringnell to approve the minutes of the December 9, 2022, Council Meeting, as written and sent to each council member for study, second by Olson. Carried.

Motion by Olson to approve the consent agenda including payment of bills, second by Ringnell. Carried.

2023 Designations:

Depository: Bank Midwest

News Paper of Record: Martin County Star

Insurance Agent: Mike Ringnell

Attorney: Costello, Carlson & Butzon, LLP

Motion by Olson, seconded by Larson to approve the 2023 designations as listed. Carried.

Motion by Larson, seconded by Ringnell, to approve a four percent (4%) COLA increase for all city employees, and a two percent (2%) merit increase to employees who have completed a positive employee review, retroactive to January 1, 2023. Carried.

Motion by Ringnell, seconded by Olson, to approve a quarterly \$2500 retainer fee payable to Costello, Carlson & Butzon, LLP for 2023. Carried

Motion by Ringnell, seconded by Larson to postpone Agenda item 4, Remove Lifespark employee signatures from Temperance Lake Ridge bank accounts, to the February 21, 2023 Council Meeting. Carried.

Report from the Mayor and Council Members:

Roesler: There will be a Police Commission meeting this month with a union representative from the Twin Cities to work on the details of an employment contract. Date of the meeting is still being decided.

The Personnel Committee met with the City Administrator to discuss the position's job description, duties, and performance evaluation format.

Kramer: Toured the remodeling progress of the building located at 29 Main Street N.

Larson: Requested discussion regarding the sale of the townhouses owned and operated by the Sherburn Economic Authority, questions of logistics and economic stewardship were raised. Further research is required.

Requested the leaf vac be stored inside, out of the elements.

Confirmed utility bill fee increases were put in place in the billing system.

Olson: Shared he was glad to see Darrel Ficken did a nice job skimming the ice off the top of the city roads today.

Ringnell: Nothing to report.

Motion to adjourn by Ringnell, second by Larson. Carried. Meeting declared adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

Tammy Diemert-Mayo
Deputy Clerk