

**CITY OF WESTWOOD**  
**Council Meeting Minutes**  
**The regularly scheduled meeting of the Westwood City Council was held on Monday,**  
**March 18, 2024, at the home of Mayor Brant Knudsen**

**Mayor Brant Knudsen** called the meeting to order at 6:50 p.m.

**Roll Call** LuAnn Johnson (present), Monte Knudsen (present), Gary Lane (present), Zach Moehle (present), Eric Peterson (present)

**Agenda Approval** A motion was made by Councilman Moehle and seconded by Councilman Knudsen to approve the agenda. The agenda was approved.

**Public Comments** John Roederer introduced Steve Detrick, a candidate for County Supervisor. Mr. Detrick noted that he is a land owner and long time resident of Henry County. His grandfather helped to start Old Threshers, his father was a local businessman. Mr. Detrick is currently retired and wants to give back to the community. He would like to see several things: 1) More pragmatic decisions based on data, 2) Have more transparency, 3) Have more integrity in county offices, 4) Have better communication overall. When asked about his position on wind turbines, he said that he sees issues with them. Would say “no”.

**Minutes of Previous Council Meeting** The minutes of the meeting on March 18, and of the Hearing on the Tax Levy, on April 1, were presented. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilwoman Johnson and was seconded by Councilman Lane. The minutes were approved.

**Authorization of Claims and Financial Report**

A motion to authorize the claims and accept the financial report was made by Councilman Lane and seconded by Councilwoman Johnson. The motion passed.

**Unfinished Business**

- a. **Playground Installed and Next Steps** The new playground is in place. The next step is to place mulch or sand on the ground underneath. There was discussion regarding placing a border around the play area to help contain the ground cover. Councilman Knudsen will investigate availability and cost of railroad ties for this purpose. Council will also check on cost and amount of mulch needed.
- b. **Mt. Pleasant Utility and Water Update** The Mayor has spoken to the new CFO at Mt. Pleasant Utilities regarding the April water payment that makes up the total contracted for. He has not yet heard back on this.

**New Business**

- a. **Spring Clean Up** Spring clean up will begin on April 27, with mulch being delivered on April 20. Mulch also needs to be placed on the ground under the playground. If that is not finished on April 27, it will be done on May 4.
- b. **Approve Treatment of the Pond** It was the consensus of the Council to have Mr. Feehan, from Land, Water and Vegetation Control, treat the pond this spring.

**Resolution 1-2024 Westwood City Budget FY 25** Councilman Knudsen made a motion to adopt the FY25 budget. This was seconded by Councilman Moehle. **Resolution 1-2024 Westwood City Budget FY 25** was approved by roll call vote: LuAnn Johnson (aye), Monte Knudsen (aye), Gary Lane (aye), Zach Moehle (aye), Eric Peterson (aye)

**Mayor / Council Member Comments**

- a. Mayor Knudsen said that he and Glenda Campbell picked up all of the reflectors that had been placed along the streets to aid in snow plowing. They have been put in the shed and Randy Ruggles has been notified where they are.

**City Utilities Comments** The summary was reviewed.

**Adjournment** A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Moehle and was seconded by Councilwoman Johnson. The meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

**Next Meetings:** Next regular Council Meeting on May 20, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. Home of Mayor Brant Knudsen at 3005 Hickory Lane

**Respectfully submitted,**

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**Brant Knudsen, Mayor**

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**Nancy Erickson, Clerk**