CITY OF WESTWOOD

Council Meeting Minutes

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Westwood City Council was held on Monday, February 19, 2024, at the home of Mayor Brant Knudsen

Mayor Brant Knudsen called the meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.

Roll Call LuAnn Johnson (present), Monte Knudsen (present by phone), Gary Lane (present), Eric Peterson (absent)

Agenda Approval A motion was made by Councilman Lane and seconded by Councilwoman Johnson to approve the agenda. The agenda was approved.

Minutes of Previous Council Meeting The minutes of January 22, 2023, were presented. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Knudsen and was seconded by Councilwoman Johnson. 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. FY25 Budget** The Council continued its review of the FY25 budget. Councilman Knudsen made a motion to hold the hearing on the Proposed Tax Levy on Monday, April 1, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. at 3005 Hickory Lane. Councilman Lane seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- **b. Westwood Playground Purchase** Jerry Yoder has purchased the old playground for \$100. He will be removing it shortly. A new playground will be installed this spring.

New Business

- **a. Public Notice of Open Council Seat** This is the official notice of an open Council seat. The individual appointed would serve until the next election in 2025, after which he/she could run for a full four-year term. Anyone interested in being considered should send notice of interest to westwoodiowa44@gmail.com.
- **b.** City Beautification Projects for Spring The Council discussed spring clean up day. Date will be set at a later time. Areas around the City will be mulched. Christmas decorations will be checked over to see what needs to be replaced or repaired before next December.
- Mayor / Council Member Comments The Mayor meets with the other Henry County mayors, council members and supervisors periodically to discuss items of common interest. He reviewed some of the things that were discussed at the most recent meeting. Of special concern was the issue of renewable energy. It was agreed that more time was needed to assess this issue.

City Utilities Comments The summary was reviewed.

Adjournment A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Lane and was seconded by Councilwoman Johnson. The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

Next Meeting: March 18, 2024, at 6:30	0 p.m. Home of Mayor Brant Knudsen at 3005 Hickory Lane.
Respectfully submitted,	
Brant Knudsen, Mayor	Nancy Erickson, Clerk