

CITY OF WESTWOOD

Council Meeting Minutes

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Westwood City Council was held on Monday, August 19, 2019, at the home of Mayor Brant Knudsen

Mayor Brant Knudsen called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

Roll Call Tim Beavers (present), Toby Jacks (present), Gary Lane (present), Carl McRoy (present) and Haven Noble (present).

Welcome

Public Comments

- The Mayor recognized Linda Coats who was representing the committee that planned the luminaries and Christmas celebration in 2018. She was inquiring whether the Council would support this same effort in 2019. It was the consensus of the Council that the committee should move forward with discussions regarding this event.
- The Mayor recognized Rose Buford who is interested in purchasing 3007 Hickory Lane. She is requesting a variance to Ordinance 155.12 regarding the construction of fences in the City. If she purchased this property she would like to construct a floral fence around the backyard. This would consist of a fence no higher than 54 inches that would be concealed by a hydrangea hedge. After considerable discussion it was that consensus of the Council that this would not adhere to City Ordinances.

Agenda Approval A motion to approve the agenda was made by Councilman Beavers and seconded by Councilman Jacks. The agenda was approved.

Minutes for the Council Meeting held July 15, 2019 were presented. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Jacks 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 Councilman Noble. The motion was approved.

Report of Standing Committees

- **Budget & Finance** No meeting was held.
- **Grounds & Roads** No meeting was held.
- **Building & Ordinance** No meeting was held.

Unfinished Business

- The Westwood City Picnic** will be held on September 8, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.
- Street Maintenance** Bates Asphalt and Paving Company has completed its work patching City streets.
- Water Leaks** All water leaks have been repaired except for a leak at 3015 Hickory Lane. That will probably not be done until after Old Threshers.

New Business

- Tree Trimming and Tree Removal** Bill Maddy has done some work on tree removal in the park There is more to be completed. The Mayor has contacted C&W from Salem for an estimate on tree trimming and removal so that the City has two options for doing this work.
- Weed Control** Some residents have indicated concern regarding the general appearance in Westwood. The Council will consider having inmates help with weed removal and honeysuckle control. The Mayor will treat the pond for algae.

Mayor / Council Member Comments

- As part of the discussion regarding fencing, the Mayor noted that there needs to be a change in the Ordinances regarding fencing swimming pools in order to make it more specific as to the kind of fencing that is acceptable.
- The ladder on the playground equipment needs to be repaired. There was some discussion regarding the purchase of new equipment or contacting schools that have closed to see if old equipment could be purchased
- The Mayor said that he does not have any water meters to use for replacements. He will continue to check prices.

City Utilities Comments The summary was reviewed.

Adjournment

There being no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Beavers and was seconded by Councilman Jacks. The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Next Meeting: September 16, at 6:30 p.m. Home of Mayor Brant Knudsen at 3005 Hickory Lane.

Respectfully submitted by: _____
Nancy Erickson, Clerk, City of Westwood