

CITY OF WESTWOOD

Council Meeting Minutes

The regularly scheduled meeting of the Westwood City Council was held on Monday, August 15, 2022, at the home of Mayor Brant Knudsen

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

Roll Call Elijah Gnann (present), Monte Knudsen (absent), Gary Lane (present), Eric Peterson (present), Darrel Rogers (present)

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

Minutes for the Council Meeting held July 18, 2022 were presented. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Lane and was seconded by Councilman Gnann. 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 Gnann and seconded by Councilman Peterson. 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

a. City Park Trees/Grading Update

- Park Trees – Bill Maddy will remove approximately 11 dead trees from the park
- Grading – Ryan Barton (JBC contracting) will apply dirt to the road side in the park area for approximately \$2,500.
- Roads – Norris Asphalt will address the cracks in the new roads. Dry weather has increased the likelihood roads will crack. Norris will address the cracks before cold weather.

b. Westwood Picnic The date for the picnic has been confirmed as September 25.

New Business

- c. Resolution 7-2022 Street Financial Report (SFR)** Councilman Gnann moved to approve Resolution 7-2022 SFR and Councilman Peterson seconded it. The motion was approved by Roll Call Vote: Elijah Gnann (aye), Monte Knudsen (), Gary Lane (aye), Eric Peterson (aye), Darrel Rogers (aye).
- d. Water Update on Sycamore Dr.** Mayor Brant Knudsen reported that the water in Rich Martin's yard is being monitored and Kinney Construction is aware of the water entering Martin's sump pump. There is no obvious water leak showing up and Kinney is not sure where to dig for a leak. It was discussed to possibly install a shut-off valve in the 6" water line on the east side of the homes on Sycamore Drive to better control future water leak problems. The cost to dig the valve into the 6" line would be approximately \$1,200. It was discussed to go ahead with this valve installation.
- e. Betty Lowe – Honeysuckle Removal Grant** Betty Lowe was present to discuss the honeysuckle issue in Westwood. A grant will be applied for that would pay for removal of the honeysuckle. On August 25, at 4:00 p.m. Lesa Louck will have an informational meeting at the entryway to Westwood, explaining the grant that Westwood is applying for. Forrester, Caleb Ebeling, also attended the meeting and discussed his involvement in removing the honeysuckle. He has knowledge of equipment that will remove the majority of the honeysuckle in the Westwood property and he provides a three year follow up to insure the honeysuckle does not come back.
- f. Lowe Family – Scott and Amy Memorial** Betty Lowe presented a memorial request by the children of Scott and Amy Lowe to restore the trail and possibly complete the trail and provide a memorial bench at the entrance of the trail near the intersection of Sycamore Drive and Westwood Drive. Caleb Eberling will determine the possibility of completing the trail on the west side of Westwood property. He will also clear fallen trees and improve the existing trail.

Mayor / Council Member Comments

City Utilities Comments The summary was reviewed

Adjournment: There being no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Peterson and was seconded by Councilman Gnann. The meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

Next Meeting: September 19, at 6:30 p.m. Home of Mayor Brant Knudsen at 3005 Hickory Lane.

Respectfully submitted

Brant Knudsen, Mayor

Gary Lane, Councilman