

CITY OF WESTWOOD
Council Meeting Minutes
The regularly scheduled meeting of the Westwood City Council was held on Monday,
December 21, 2022, at the home of Mayor Brant Knudsen

Mayor Brant Knudsen called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

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

Welcome

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

Minutes for the Council Meeting held November 21, 2022 were presented. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Peterson 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 Rogers 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. **Budget Planning** The Council debated the tax rate for the budget for FY 24. It was concluded that the maximum rate would be set at 7.8. There will be a hearing on the maximum rate for the budget at the January Council meeting.
- b. **Westwood Entrance Decorations** Gary Lane and Eric Peterson did the decorating at the entrance to the City. Access Energy provided the truck to decorate the tall tree. Mayor Knudsen will send a letter of appreciation to the Board of Access Energy and when the decorations are taken down the Council will provide a plate of cookies for the Access employees.

New Business

- c. **Wemiga Waste Contract** Wemiga Waste has purchased a new smaller truck that will be used in the City. In January the Council will meet with Lynn Whaley to discuss a new contract.
- d. **Westwood Website Renewal** It was the consensus of the Council that the Westwood website should be renewed.

Mayor / Council Member Comments

- a. Councilman Rogers noted how much the reflectors help that Randy Ruggles has put along the roads.
- b. Mayor Knudsen inquired as to whether payment had been made to Barton Construction for work in the park. As no payment had been made that was approved by the Council.

City Utilities Comments The summary was reviewed. A letter will be sent to anyone who is 90 days or more behind on payments.

Adjournment A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Lane and was seconded by Councilman Peterson. The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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

Respectfully submitted

Brant Knudsen, Mayor

Nancy Erickson, Clerk