

CITY OF WESTWOOD
Council Meeting Minutes
The regularly scheduled meeting of the Westwood City Council was held on Monday,
February 20, 2023, at the home of Mayor Brant Knudsen

Mayor Brant Knudsen called the meeting to order at 6:28 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 Lane and seconded by Councilman Gnann to approve the agenda. The agenda was approved.

Minutes of Previous Council Meeting The minutes of January 16, 2023 were presented. A motion to approve the minutes was made by Councilman Rogers 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 Lane and seconded by Councilman Gnann. 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. **FY24 Budget Review** The Council did a line by line review of the budget for FY24. Following the review Councilman Rogers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2-2023 Notice of Public Hearing on the FY24 City Budget. The motion was seconded and passed by roll call vote: Elijah Gnann (aye), Monte Knudsen (), Gary Lane (Aye), Eric Peterson (Aye), Darrel Rogers (Aye). The hearing will be held at 6:30 p.m. at 3005 Hickory Lane on March 20, 2023.

New Business

- b. **Review Quote for Lawn Care** The Mayor received an estimate for lawn care from Flint River Lawn Care. Discussion will be postponed until a quote is received from TopNotch.
- c. **City Beautification Projects for 2023** The most pressing issues re: beautification are to put more gravel under the shed and plant new bushes in that area to replace those that were removed. It would be good to put steps up to the deck on the shed and have a handrail. Some of this could be done during Spring Cleanup.
- Additionally, **1)** There are rotten boards on the playground equipment that need to be replaced. If anyone sees a notice of a playground that is for sale, it should be investigated and discussed. **2)** The Council will review the need for a bench near the entrance. **3)** Putting boardwalks over the wet spots on the trail was discussed. **4)** The Mayor raised the question of putting new numbers on the mailboxes to make them look more uniform.
- The Mayor suggested that Scouts or high school students might be willing to help with some of the above. He asked the Council to make lists for the next meeting and items can then be prioritized.

Mayor / Council Member Comments

City Utilities Comments The summary was reviewed.

Adjournment A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Gnann and was seconded by Councilman Peterson. The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Next Meeting: March 20, at 6:30 p.m. Home of Mayor Brant Knudsen at 3005 Hickory Lane.

Respectfully submitted

Brant Knudsen, Mayor

Nancy Erickson, Clerk