

Mayor Fred Froehlich called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. on September 11, 2023 in the Council Chambers.

Members and guests sited the words to the Pledge of Allegiance.

In addition to Mayor Froehlich; Councilmembers: Phil Radel and Kevin Ostermann were present. Councilmember Mary Wels and Matt Anthony were absent. Others in attendance included Vanessa Drill, Bill Blashack and Karen Fluegge(*The New Ulm Journal*).

*The agenda was approved on a motion which was made F. Froehlich, which was seconded by K. Ostermann, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

*The minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 14, 2023 were approved on a motion which was made by K. Ostermann, which was seconded by P. Radel, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

*The bills totaling \$178,927.30 were approved on a motion which was made by P. Radel, which was seconded by K. Ostermann and which carried with all voting in favor.*

Resident Bill Blashack was present to request relief for portion of the sewer billing from the Catholic Church as he was been watering the grass after the church cut down trees. Council stated the water used went through the meter and the church should look into getting an outside meter so when they water outside sewer charges won't occur.

Clerk noted that the mayor and herself have attended a round table discussion with Nicollet County regarding cannabis. Future meetings will be set up, more information will be provided.

Council discussed the CSAH 42 trail and the next steps, council felt that there are too many unknowns and that there wasn't a full council to make a decision. It was decided they need more information but would like to move forward with the MNDOT coordination to determine if MNDOT will allow access to cross Highway 111.

*Working with Nicollet County on MN DOT Coordination regarding a crossing at CSAH 42 trail in the amount of \$5,000 was approved on a motion by K. Ostermann, which was seconded by F. Froehlich, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

Mayor Froehlich gave a report on his attendance with the Nicollet rural city fire association joint powers board.

Councilmember Ostermann stated that Radel and himself had a conference call with SW Partnership regarding coming up with a plan for development and grants. Future meetings will be set up.

A brief discussion on trucks parking along Elm Street and causing blind spots for the bike/walking trail that comes off of the park.

*No parking signs to be placed along Elm Street on the east side of Greenspace park/west side of Elm Street for safety precautions was approved on a motion by K. Ostermann, which was seconded by P. Radel, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

*Pay Request No. 2 – 2023 Infrastructure Imp – W.W. Blacktopping, Inc in the amount of \$52,206.15 was approved on a motion by F. Froehlich, which was seconded by K. Ostermann, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

*LG220 Applications for the American Legion, Bingo Events, January 13, 2024, February 3, 2024, February 10, 2024, March 9, 2024, June 23, 2024 was approved on a motion made by P. Radel, which was seconded by K. Ostermann, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

*Resolution 09-11-23-Establishing City Regulations Related to Counting of Write-in Votes was approved on a motion by K. Ostermann, which was seconded by P. Radel, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

Reminders of the upcoming, meetings were noted:

- 1) October 9, 2023, 6:00 pm, Regular Meeting, Monday

*The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m., which was approved on a motion made by K. Ostermann, which was seconded by P. Radel, and which carried with all voting in favor.*

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Vanessa Drill, City Clerk/Treasurer