

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**March 9<sup>th</sup> , 2023**

A regular council meeting of the City of Wheaton, MN was held in the Wheaton Community Library with the following members present: Veldhouse, Larson, Wohlenhaus and Findlay.

Absent: Rikimoto    Also present: Utility Billing Clerk Olson, Administrator Olson via telephone.

Mayor Veldhouse called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

**Approval of Agenda**

Upon motion from Larson, seconded by Findlay and unanimously carried, the board approved the agenda as presented.

**Baseball Committee**

The Wheaton Baseball Committee requested approval to solicitate businesses for donations and to fundraise for banners. Upon motion from Findlay, seconded by Wohlenhaus and carried, the council approved the request.

**Consent Agenda**

Upon motion from Larson, seconded by Findlay, and motion carried, the council approved the minutes of February 23<sup>rd</sup> , 2023 and the claims of March 9<sup>th</sup> , 2023 as presented.

**Committee Reports/Old Business/New Business**

Lampe presented the council with a quote to replace and a quote to rebuild the motor for the splash pool that is not currently operational. Upon motion from Wohlenhaus, seconded by Larson and carried, the council approved to rebuild the motor.

Upon motion from Larson, seconded by Findlay and carried, the council approved the Park Board to order the new playground equipment at City Park. The City received a grant from the Blandin Foundation for \$100,000.00. The cost of the project is roughly \$104,000.00 and the Park Board will raise funds to cover the overage. A grant agreement is being prepared between the City of Wheaton and the Blandin Foundation.

Larson said there is a need for senior transportation in town. Ready Ride through West Central Communities Action is looking for volunteer drivers.

Findlay said she would like to see generators at the sewer plant and water treatment plant. Olson will continue to look for grants and budget for them.

**Resolution 2023-07 Qualifying Part- Time Police Officers for PERA**

Upon motion from Larson, seconded by Findlay and carried unanimously, Resolution 2023-07 was approved.

**Property Purchase at 210 Broadway**

Upon motion by Larson, seconded by Findlay and carried unanimously, the council approved the sale of the property at 210 Broadway with the stipulation the structure(s) must be torn down within six months of closing and then the deed will be released.

**Bank of the West CD**

Upon motion from Larson, seconded by Findlay and approved, the council gives Olson permission to move the CD to either State Bank or Star Bank, whichever has the highest interest rate.

**Administrator Update**

Upon motion from Larson, seconded by Wohlenhaus and carried, the council tabled the Water Assistance program discussion until there is clarification on how to bill out the garbage separately.

Olson stated the wing on the City's plow truck is broken and parts are 6-8 weeks out. The City is hiring The Traverse County Highway Department to assist the City and plow the streets to get them widened out before the oncoming storm.

Upon Motion from Larson, seconded by Wohlenhaus and carried, the meeting was closed pursuant to M.S.A. §13D.05, Subd. 3(d). The subject to be discussed is security issues at City Hall, and disclosure of the information discussed would pose a danger to public safety or compromise security procedures or responses. Meeting was closed at 6:32 pm.

Upon motion from Larson, seconded by Veldhouse and carried, the meeting was opened at 6:56 pm. Results of the closed meeting was a committee was formed to investigate safety equipment.

**Adjourned**

6:57 pm CDT

ATTEST:

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Amy Olson, City Administrator

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Jacob Veldhouse, Mayor