

# City of Nelson Council Meeting Minutes

March 3, 2025 @ 7:00pm Nelson City Hall

### 1. Call to Order

Mayor Sylvia Green called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

#### Attendance

The following persons were present: Mayor Sylvia Green, Councilman Nathan Hamby, Councilman William Taylor, Councilwoman Kristeen MacNeill, City Clerk Kelsey Riehl and City Attorney Jeff Rusbridge.

#### 2. Invocation

Mayor Green led the invocation.

# 3. Pledge of Allegiance

Mr. Nathan Hamby led the Pledge of Allegiance.

# 4. Agenda Approval

Mr. Nathan Hamby made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Mr. William Taylor, All in favor, Vote unanimous...

### 5. Public Hearing / Public Appearance-

None

## 6. Approval of Minutes

- a. February 10, 2025 Mr. Nathan Hamby made a motion to approve the 2/10/25 minutes, Seconded by Mrs. Kristeen MacNeill, All in favor, Vote unanimous...
- b. February 25, 2025 (work session) Mr. William Taylor made a motion to approve the 2/25/25 work session minutes, Seconded by Mrs. Kristeen MacNeill, All in favor, Vote unanimous...

#### 7. Department Reports

- a. Police Report Cherokee Co Sheriffs Dept., Sgt. Hayes stated there were several incidents to report but none were significant. The incidents were: Suspicious person at the park, domestic dispute, loose dogs and a suspicious car.
- b. Mayor's Report Mayor Green stated the City has received numerous donations for the City Easter Event in April. She asked the Council for input on the park plans

regarding fencing around the Community Garden, raised garden plots, color options for the courts, pavilion size, handicapped accessibility for the bridge, and if the courts should be concrete or asphalt. Mayor Green stated she will reach out to the park planner for answers to Council's questions on these items.

c. Finance Report – Mrs. Kelsey Riehl went over the current bank balances.

#### 8. Unfinished Business

- a. Tree Ordinance Revisions Mr. Jeff Rusbridge stated this is the first reading of the ordinance revisions. The item will be on the April Agenda for the public hearing and the  $2^{nd}$  reading.
- b. Drainage Project Easement moved to executive session

#### 9. New Business

- a. Pickens Co. Emergency Operations Plan –Mrs. Kelsey Riehl stated the city was contacted by Mr. Robby Westbrook, the new director of PCEMA. He stated it was time to renew the Emergency Operations Plan with Pickens Co. Attorney, Jeff Rusbridge reviewed the plan and sees no issues with it. Mr. William Taylor made a motion to approve the Pickens Co Emergency Operations Plan, Seconded by Mrs. Kristeen MacNeill, All in favor, Vote unanimous...
- b. MOU Cherokee County Tax Assessors Office regarding HB581- Mrs. Kelsey Riehl state Cherokee Co Tax Assessor is requesting a MOU with the city to allow the Assessor's Office to use the prior year's millage rate for assessment purposes. The agreement needs to be approved due to changes made by HB581. Mrs. Kristeen MacNeill made a motion to approve the MOU with Cherokee Co, Seconded by Mr. William Taylor, All in favor, Vote unanimous...
- c. Telecom Ordinance & ROW Permits Mrs. Kelsey Riehl stated GMA sent an Ordinance regarding telecom and ROW permitting. The city currently doesn't have an Ordinance or Permitting for telecom. The Council and Mayor discussed the item. This is the first reading; the item will be added to the April agenda for a 2<sup>nd</sup> reading and vote.

# 10. Executive Session –Property

Mr. Nathan Hamby made a motion to adjourn to Executive Session, Seconded by Mr. William Taylor, All in favor, Vote unanimous...

Mr. Nathan Hamby made a motion to end Executive Session, Seconded by Mr. William Taylor, All in favor, Vote unanimous...

#### 11. Adjourn

Mr. Nathan Hamby made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Seconded by Mr. William Taylor, All in favor, Vote unanimous...

Mayor Sylvia Green adjourned the meeting at 8:15 pm.
Minutes submitted by Kelsey Riehl
Minutes approved by