

MINUTES
Regular Meeting
April 24th, 2025

A regular council meeting of the City of Wheaton, MN was held in the Wheaton Community Library with the following members present: Lundquist, Churchill, Hansen and Rikimoto

Absent: Wohlenhaus Also present: Administrator Olson, Utility Billing Clerk Olson, Public Works Sean Witte and Robert Hoernemann

Mayor Lundquist called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

Approval of Agenda

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

Consent Agenda

Upon motion from Rikimoto, seconded by Churchill, and motion carried, the council approved the minutes of regular meeting on April 10th, 2025 and special meeting of April 10th, 2025. Upon motion from Rikimoto, seconded by Hansen and carried unanimously, the council approved the claims of April 24th 2025 as presented.

Jon Pauna/Moore Engineering- LRIP Project

Jon Pauna updated the council with some requirements from the State on the project.

Upon motion from Rikimoto, seconded by Churchill, motion carried to approve the Resolution 2025-11 restricting parking on front street from Broadway to 1st Ave n.

Upon motion from Rikimoto, seconded by Hansen, motion carried unanimously to approve the parking plan for patient parking at Sanford Medical Center to change the parking to angled parking.

Upon motion from Churchill, seconded by Rikimoto, motion carried unanimously to approve the Joint Powers Agreement between the State Aid Agency Sponsor (Traverse County) and the non-State Aid Agency (City of Wheaton)

Clean Up Day

Upon motion from Rikimoto, seconded by Hansen, motion carried unanimously to approve the Clean Up Day form and set the date for June 10th, 2025.

Traverse County Ag Assn- Donation Request

Upon motion from Rikimoto, seconded by Churchill, motion carried unanimously to approve donating \$2,000.00 to the Traverse County Ag Assn for the 2025 County Fair.

Resolution 2025-08

Upon motion from Rikimoto, seconded by Hansen, motion carried to approve the Resolution authorizing the transfer of funds into existing money market account taking the monthly rental income from the gopher theater in the general fund to the gopher theater fund.

Property/Nuisance Complaint from Joan Homan

Wheaton Resident Joan Homan asked the council to remove the 20-mph speed limit sign that was installed in the City's right of way at 19 16th street south on November 12, 2024. Homan stated she

wanted the sign removed because her grandchildren play in the yard, she will have to mow around it and she does not want it there. A total of eight speed zone signs were installed in November on 15th & 16th street south between Broadway and 3rd Ave S to slow down traffic to and from the high school and add safety to children at daycares and the swimming pool. Additionally, another seven signs were installed in the surrounding blocks of the elementary school with the same purpose in mind.

After discussion, motion from Churchill, seconded by Hansen, motion carried unanimously to leave the sign where it is at and not remove it at this time.

New Business

Olson presented the council with a recommendation from the Park Board to purchase new playground equipment for the swimming pool. The city has funds budgeted to cover most of the cost and Olson applied for grant funds from Sanford Medical Center and they are giving \$2,500.00 towards the project costs. Upon motion from Rikimoto, seconded by Churchill, motion carried unanimously to purchase the playground equipment as presented.

Upon motion from Rikimoto, seconded by Hansen, motion carried to accept Carol Nelson as a new Park Board Member as recommended by the Park & Rec Board.

Upon motion from Hansen, seconded by Churchill, motion carried unanimously to accept Diane K. Lande as a new Library Board Member as recommended by the Library Board.

Legal Update with Matthew Franzese

Upon motion from Hansen, seconded by Rikimoto, motion carried to approve Resolution 2025-09 modifying a special assessment for the property at 902 3rd Ave N.

Upon motion from Rikimoto, seconded by Churchill, motion carried unanimously to approve Resolution 2025-10 recognizing Pineview Tenant Association.

Administrator & Public Works Update

Upon motion from Rikimoto, seconded by Churchill, motion carried unanimously to hire Whaley Excavating to rip rap the sewer ponds after receiving a written quote of the costs.

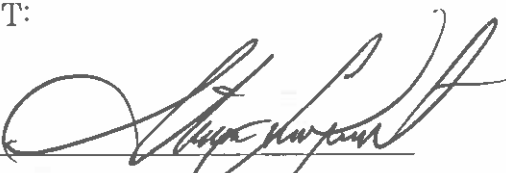
Upon motion from Rikimoto, seconded by Hansen, motion carried unanimously to change the meeting date from May 26th to May 27th at 4:30 pm.

Olson updated the council on the rescue rig that was on public auction that the highest bid was for \$3,002.00 with a reserve set at \$5,000.00. Olson stated the council has the option to offer the unit to the highest bidder of \$3,002.00, place it up for auction again, or not auction it at all. After much discussion, a motion was made by Rikimoto to run the vehicle for another two weeks with a reserve again of \$5,000.00. No second of the motion was made, motion died. Upon motion from Hansen, seconded by Churchill, aye from Lundquist, nay from Rikimoto, motion passed to offer the vehicle to the highest bidder for \$3,002.00.

Upon motion from Rikimoto, seconded by Churchill, motion to Adjourn at 6:07 pm CDT

ATTEST:

Amy Olson, City Administrator



Steven Lundquist, Mayor