

MINUTES

Waldorf City Council Meeting
Monday February 10, 2025 @ 7:00 p.m.

At the Community Center

PRESENT: Mayor Rob Wilkening, Council Members Missy Sorbo, Carrie Ferch, Jamie Beckstrand and Cody Schnepf.

OTHERS PRESENT: Ron Fischer, Ben Revermann from Star Eagle, Charlie Barnes, JoAnn Kelling, and Luke Cordes.

1. Call Meeting to Order by Mayor Rob Wilkening and say the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Open Forum: Community Comments and Announcements:
 - Waldorf Day's Committee Meeting is on 2/17 at 6:30 pm.
 - Luke Cordes asked to be added to the agenda to discuss some sanitary issues.
3. Closed for Public Hearing on Zero Lot Line Allowances.
- 4 Open Meeting:
 - Zero lot lines for Twin Homes was discussed and uncontested. The proposed amendment will be sent to the lawyer for review.

5. Accept the Agenda for the Meeting for Monday February 10, 2025.

*Motion made to accept the agenda for Monday February 10, 2025, made by Missy, 2nd by Carrie. Carried.

6. Accept Consent Agenda for February 10, 2025.

- a. City Council Meeting Minutes for January 13, 2025.
- b. Fire Department Bank report for January 2025.
- c. City Bank report for January 2025.
- d. Transfer report for January 2025.
- e. Closed Council Meeting Minutes for January 13, 2025.

*Motion made to accept the Consent Agenda for February 10, 2025, made by Jamie, 2nd by Carrie. Approved.

7. Ron – Maintenance questions-concerns.

- a. Creamery update. Have the next steps been taken? The ordinances have been given to Jay Dulas, he will enforce the ordinances once they are published on the website.
- b. Ron took apart the old water meters and took the brass to B&R Auto and Truck Salvage to be recycled and received \$678.32.
- c. Update on the trees that need to be removed. Frechette will still remove the other trees that need to come down and Gordy is lined up to grind the stumps, however Frechette is not comfortable removing the tree in Kathy Hodgkins' yard. Two estimates were obtained for the removal of the tree in Kathy's yard, which was damaged in the sewer/street project. Ron stated Frechette came and took the trees at the City park down, the tree at Rich Davis and at the school still need to be removed. Once all of the trees are removed, Gordy's Total Tree will grind out the stumps. Ron's recommendation was to use Suemnick for Kathy's tree.
 - Gordy's Total Tree provided an estimate of \$1,200-\$1,500.
 - Suemnick's Final Cut Tree Service also provided an estimate of \$1,000 to remove the tree, \$200 to grind the stump, \$200 to clean up the grindings and \$200 to bring in black dirt.

*Motion to approve hiring Suemnick to remove Kathy Hodgkins' Tree was made by Missy 2nd by Jamie. Approved. Ron will call to schedule.

8. Water/Sewer Report

a. As of 01/31/25 there were (5) “No Pay (121, 16, 54, 102, 43), and (6) “Partial” (46, 21, 15, 84, 22, 48) payments. A total of \$1,534.73 was not collected, 102 and 43 received shut off notices.

b. Bollig Update:

- Working on comprehensive plan, upcoming meeting in March.

c. Contractor Work Completed Form Certificate were mailed to residents/business along with a letter of explanation. Tally: - residents – 36 non-compliant – 32 done

- business - 6 non-compliant - 6 done

d. Luke Cordes presented on his sewer issue. Jetter Clean came and took a video of Cordes’ sewer pipes and stated that they are seeing a collapsed pipe where it connects to the city’s pipeline. Luke is wondering if the city will help since these pipes are new from the sewer project. Council requested that they video from Jetter Clean be sent to the Council member for review. However, the Mayor did note that sewer lines are on the residents property and are the residents responsibility according to the city ordinances.

*Motion made to approve the Water/Sewer Report was made by Missy, 2nd by Cody. Approved.

9. Fire Department

a. Reminder that the Fire Department’s Pancake Breakfast will be on March 16, 2025.

10. Community Center

a. Looking at possibly painting the bathrooms or kitchen.

11. Park & Rec

a. Charlie presenting on the progress of the VMP. Charlie provided a report to all council members and to those in attendance. He states that the park is scheduled to be completed August 2026. He stated that the gazebo has been ordered and is due to be completed in spring, he is looking for volunteers to put the gazebo together once it arrives. Charlie is also working with the American Legion on putting together a walk of honor. Benches and lighting still need to be purchased. A potential future project for the park is adding a monument for 1st Responders.

b. Update on Playground equipment repair. Lumber has been purchased and will be repaired once the weather warms up.

c. A concern about available parking was brought up by a resident once the Waldorf Wood Ducks start to play games. The resident does not want his yard to be parked in since his back yard is close to the current parking lot which is small and can only accommodated a few cars.

12. Streets

a.

13. Mayor’s Minute Report

a. The Mayor had a meeting with Rep. Peggy Bennet who is very much supportive of our Phase 2 Project. We also talked about changes in Child Care changes with regards to Day Care Licensing Requirements. Rob has reached out to Julie Tesch for help find someone interested.

b. The City is offering a Youth Job Training Program through MVAC and is currently accepting applications.

c. My Back-Up Buddy program. Looking for back up for the city maintenance and city clerk positions.

d. Recently added to the website was the agenda for tonight meeting along with city minutes.

14. Old Business:

a. The next council workshop is February 25, 2025 @ 6:30pm.

15. New Business

a. Who does the City of Waldorf want to use as their official Bank.

*Motion made to use MinnWest for official Bank was made by Carrie, 2nd by Missy. Approved.

b. The city requires two signatures on all checks that are sent, authorized signatures include the City Clerk/Treasurer, Mayor, and all council members. Signatures were updated for all bank accounts at the January meeting.

c. Waldorf Days, discussion on whether this is a city committee or a volunteer opportunity. It was suggested to make it a volunteer opportunity.

d. Mayor is interested in attending League of MN Cities "City on the Hill" conference on Thursday, March 6, 2025 in St. Paul.

*Motion made to approve the Mayor going to City Day on the Hill was made by Missy, 2nd by Carrie. Approved.

e. Zero Lot Lines

*Motion made to approve the Zero Lot Line Amendment with the approval of the lawyer was made by Jamie and 2nd by Missy. Approved.

16. City Wish List

a. Christmas Light Situation

b. Waldorf Community Park

17. PROJECT LIST for 2025

1) LIGHTING PROJECT (Carrie and Rob) report. The mayor wants to contact Minneapolis to see how their solar streetlights are working. Missy stated that the 1st Lutheran church would like more lighting on the street for parking, stated that it is very dark after evening worship.

2) EXHAUST FAN IN FIRE DEPT AREA. Spoke to Marcus, still waiting for quotes.

3) UPGRADING STREET SIGNS, has a cost been determined? Will look at in the spring.

*Motion made to adjourn the meeting was made by Carrie, 2nd by Jamie. Carried.

Time: 8:11 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Sherri Sandry, City Clerk/Treasurer.