

City of Columbia Council Meeting – August 7, 2024

CALL MEETING TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL – Cara Dennert, Corey Mitchell, Jeremy Dosch, Emily Eichler, Scott Meints, Trevor Meints via phone

Community: Glen Larson

Corey Mitchell called the meeting to order. He called for a motion to approve the agenda. Emily Eichler made a motion to approve the amended agenda. Scott Meints seconded the motion. All in favor – motion carried. Corey Mitchell called for any conflict of interest on agenda items. There were no conflicts. Minutes were handed out from the July 10th meeting. Emily Eichler made a motion to approve the minutes. Jeremy Dosch seconded the motion. All were in favor – motion carried.

Warrant Vouchers: JVT – fire prevention – 215.38; Jeremy Dosch– July wages -419.99 –; Cara Dennert – July wages– 1235.25; GDI – publication – 39.74; Dacotah Bank – shop supplies -185.19; Runnings – shop supplies – 106.37; Double D Lot Services – July mowing – 7298.00; Newman Signs – street signs – 1214.00; Deere & Company – maintenance vehicle trade difference – 5500.31; Parkview Nursery – irrigation parts & labor – 279.84; Brown County Treasurer – mosquito spraying – 523.20; Menards – 15.98; Code Enforcement – nuisances report – 533.10; Swede’s Body Shop – painting/powder coating picnic tables - 2260.00; Web Water – fire prevention - 52.26; Northwestern Energy – electricity - 1411.17 Scott Meints made a motion to approve the vouchers as corrected. Trevor Meints seconded the motion. All were in favor - motion carried.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS /CORRESPONDENCE:

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – The council has been given final drafts of the wastewater and drainage plans. We will send the proposals into the state to see what money would be available to us. Columbia Fest update – Emily said it went well. They had some compliments and some suggestions for following years.

Nuisances- The council received a report from Code Enforcement Specialists. There is a residence, a trailer and one hole to be filled that have been given written notice about ordinance violations.

Streets – Some gravel was put on a few streets today.

Parks - Mary Rousch contacted the city about donating a bench in memory of Earl & Marion Daly. The council discussed where the bench could be placed – possibly on the east side of the playground. There was also discussion about putting the lending library up again. Possible placements are going to be considered so that sprinklers won’t be an issue.

Lagoon/Sewer - It will be sprayed soon.

Rubble Site – The site needs to be piled better before a burn.

NEW BUSINESS - The council was given the up to date disbursement journal, receipt journal, and the revenue and budget expenditure report. They will start looking over the numbers to put together the 2025 budget. They were also given a copy of last year’s city budget.

FINANCIAL REPORT –Cara presented bank balances. Jeremy Dosch made a motion to accept the financial reports as given. Scott Meints seconded the motion. All were in favor – motion carried.

July 31, 2024 balances: SF - \$ 67,059.49; SF Money Market –\$ 151,314.17;

GF - \$ 161,377.17; GF Money Market - \$50,771.93; CD Money Market - \$ 32,400.22;

FIT - \$15,268.23; Cash on hand - \$0

Next City Council Meeting – September 4, 2024 7:00 p.m.

Submitted by Cara Dennert, Finance Officer

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