

TRIMONT COUNCIL MINUTES

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Special meeting was duly held at the Trimont Community Building on the 28th day of June, 2019 at 5:30 o'clock P.M. This was the Regular June meeting that was rescheduled due to lack of a quorum.

The following members were present: Council Member Sterling Adamson, Council Member Thomas Hage, Council Member Bruce Bornttrager, and Council Member Troy Schmidtke.

Mayor Pro-Tem Thomas Hage presided over the meeting.

During the community comment period, Deb Jellema provided information to the council regarding county drainage tile. Commissioner Koons stated at the May council meeting that the county only administers the tile. That is not correct, and the county is responsible for maintenance of the tile system. Martin County is televising tile in the area to look for problems. Jellema also asked about data the city is receiving from the flow meters in the sewer mains. Bev Johnson asked the council to explain why she is receiving a utility bill now for the efficiency apartment she rents behind the café.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hage announced that Mayor Eckmann has resigned his position with the City because he is moving. **Motion made by Council Member Bruce Bornttrager, seconded by Council Member Troy Schmidtke and carried to adopt the following Resolution**

Resolution 2019-07 Resolution accepting resignation and declaring council vacancy

Discussion took place regarding how to proceed to fill the vacancy. It was decided to have those interested in the mayor position fill out an application for review at the July council meeting.

Motion made by Council Member Sterling Adamson, seconded by Council Member Troy Schmidtke and carried to approve up to \$1,000 for potties and wash stations at Anderson Park during Fun Fest. Motion made by Council Member Bruce Bornttrager, seconded by Council Member Troy Schmidtke and carried to approve liquor to be served on Friday, July 13th at Anderson Park for Fun Fest by Tami's on the Ave Gerhardt's Catering, pending receipt of a certificate of insurance.

Motion made by Council Member Bruce Bornttrager, seconded by Council Member Sterling Adamson and carried to approve renewal of Town Center Liquor's off-sale liquor license, and a combination on and off-sale liquor license for Two Broke Girls Bar.

Police Chief Ross Wiggin reviewed the department report. Cost estimates to purchase a Ford or Dodge pickup for a squad car were provided for discussion. The cost is \$33,631 and \$33,355 respectively. After 5 years, it could then be transferred to the public works department if desired. Delivery would be in 2020. Models will be test driven to bring back a recommendation.

Council reviewed the public works department report. Problems with the new water filter have been discussed with the engineer and they will work on corrections. **Motion made by Council Member Sterling Adamson, seconded by Council Member Bruce Bornttrager and carried to approve pay request no. 1 to Beemer Companies for \$72,830.66.** Council was advised that the wastewater department has changed to a less expensive testing lab.

SEH Engineering has offered to provide free analysis of city needs to put a plan together that sets priorities and provides possible solutions. Council agreed to accept the proposal. Jon Holtz was present to go over plans for water and sewer connections to his property. The project has been discussed with Bolton & Menk and they will put together a simple plan for the service connections. Holtz is obtaining cost estimates to bring back to the July meeting for further discussion.

A parks committee update was provided. Discussion included review of the EAB outreach meeting, possible grants available for ADA compliance projects at the parks, and decisions that need to be made regarding the restroom at the shelter house. The committee met earlier to review proposals received for the EAB project. They recommend acceptance of the proposal from Carr's Tree Service. **Motion made by Council Member Sterling Adamson, seconded by Council Member Bruce Borntrager and carried to accept Carr's proposal.**

Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntrager, seconded by Council Member Sterling Adamson and carried to adopt the following Resolution

**Resolution 2019-06
Resolution approving contribution**

Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntrager, seconded by Council Member Troy Schmidtke and carried to approve the consent agenda as follows:

Approval of minutes from the May 20, 2019 meeting as printed.

Approval of zoning permit applications from: Elaine Johnson.

Approval to pay the following bills:

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| American Welding | \$ 239.99 |
| Automatic Systems | \$ 125.00 |
| Beemer Companies | \$10377.80 |
| Blue Cross Blue Shield | \$ 576.71 |
| Borntrager Auto | \$ 389.85 |
| Breanna G Nielsen | \$ 80.00 |
| Cardmember Services | \$ 164.46 |
| Casey's | \$ 60.32 |
| CliftonLarsonAllen | \$ 1000.00 |
| Delta Dental | \$ 74.70 |
| Expert T Billing | \$ 390.00 |
| Farmers State Bank | \$ 513.70 |
| Frontier Communications | \$ 713.34 |
| Gloria Schmitz | \$ 50.00 |
| Gopher State One Call | \$ 45.90 |
| Hometown Sanitation | \$ 4172.15 |
| Kuehl's Electric | \$ 9800.00 |
| League of MN Cities Insurance | \$15399.00 |
| Martin County Sheriff | \$ 270.00 |
| Martin County Star | \$ 1167.40 |
| Midwest IT | \$ 3238.08 |

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| MN Child Support System | \$ 175.80 |
| MN Energy | \$ 332.21 |
| MN Valley Testing Labs | \$ 1057.00 |
| Moore and Ace | \$ 154.54 |
| Photo Press | \$ 43.58 |
| Poppe's Store | \$ 10.00 |
| Postmaster | \$ 119.00 |
| Quill | \$ 45.57 |
| Schwickert's | \$ 787.75 |
| Snyder Tree | \$ 2500.00 |
| South Central Electric | \$ 3649.58 |
| Town Center Super Valu | \$ 85.40 |
| Triumph State Bank | \$ 513.70 |
| US Postal Service | \$ 120.00 |
| Verizon | \$ 567.28 |
| Wex Bank | \$ 561.29 |

Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntrager, seconded by Council Member Troy Schmidtke and carried to close the Trimont Health Care Center checking account at Farmers State Bank.

Cell phones used by the police and public works departments are not working properly. Verizon advised the models in use aren't made for heavy duty usage. The cost to upgrade is more than the \$100 limit covered in the past. **Motion made by Council Member Sterling Adamson, seconded by Council Member Troy Schmidtke and carried to pay the full cost for the iPhone model that Verizon recommended.**

A homeowner who received a Small Cities Development grant has moved and is asking if the city will allow repayment to be made over time rather than as a lump sum. **Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntrager, seconded by Council Member Troy Schmidtke and carried to require payment in full at this time.**

Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntrager, seconded by Council Member Sterling Adamson and carried to adjourn.

Signed, Thomas Hage, Mayor Pro-Tem

Attest: Melissa Sirovy, City Clerk