

## TRIMONT COUNCIL MINUTES

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular meeting was duly held at the Trimont Community Building, and also remotely via Zoom, on the 20<sup>th</sup> day of July, 2020 at 5:30 o'clock P.M.

The following members were present: Mayor Troy Schmidtke, Council Member Bruce Borntreger, and Council Member Brian Krumwiede.

The following members were absent: Council Member Thomas Hage.

Mayor Troy Schmidtke presided over the meeting.

No comments were made during the community comment period.

Police Chief Ross Wiggin presented the department report. The new squad is in service and the old squad will be listed for bids after the graphics have been removed. Mediation is getting set up through the League, and is tentatively planned for the first few days of September.

Public works department business was reviewed with Bradey Schmidt. Phone and communication lines were cut to the water and wastewater plants. Temporary lines are in place right now. Also discussed was the need for help during Schmidt's vacation, repairs needed on the sweeper which is currently not operational, a portion of storm sewer on Birch Street East has settled and is currently being repaired, and the Triumph Hall basement work is done following damage due to a blown sump pump hose. Insurance will cover damage at the hall. A joint powers meeting was held recently. Discussion included repairs needed on the jetter truck and the possibility of renting or buying a newer one, and about setting up a mutual aid arrangement between the cities to share water and wastewater workers during emergencies.

The time being 6:00 P.M., the Rural Service District Hearing was called to order. No comments were made by those present. **Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntreger, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede and carried to adopt the following Ordinance**

### **Ordinance 2020-01**

**An Ordinance amending Section 9.03 and 9.04 of the Trimont City Code relating to annual adjustments of the Rural Urban Service District**

**Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntreger, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede and carried to adopt the following Resolution**

### **Resolution 2020-19**

**Resolution approving contribution**

**Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Bruce Borntreger and carried to not waive monetary limits on tort liability.**

**Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntreger, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede and carried to approve a permit to house chickens for Eldon Olson.**

**Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntrager, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede and carried to approve use of the Triumph Hall at no charge, other than the cleaning fee, for a Methodist Church fundraiser in August.**

Discussion took place regarding applying for funds from the Coronavirus Relief Fund. The City Clerk was directed to do so.

**Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntrager, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede and carried to adopt the consent agenda as follows:**

**Approval of minutes from the June 9, June 15, and June 23, 2020 meetings as printed.**

**Approval of the City's May and June, 2020 financial statements as presented.**

**Approval of zoning permit applications from: Don Franz, Andrew Craig, Justin Lubben, Elaine Johnson, Jerome Glidden, Brian & Tina Krumwiede, Lois Schmidtke, Layne Ebeling, Jon Holtz.**

**Approval to pay the following bills:**

Arnold Motor Supply	\$ 231.36	B & D Repair	\$ 74.25
Blue Cross Blue Shield	\$ 2689.67	Bolton & Menk	\$ 1484.00
Bound Tree Medical	\$ 174.58	Brenda Nielsen	\$ 93.27
Brian Krumwiede	\$ 325.00	Cardmember Services	\$ 720.17
Costello, Carlson, Butzon	\$ 3800.00	Delta Dental	\$ 74.70
Expert T Billing	\$ 150.00	Farmers State Bank	\$ 513.70
Feder Mechanical	\$ 645.68	Fisher Scientific	\$ 309.39
Fleet & Farm	\$ 38.04	Frontier Communication	\$ 731.72
Galls	\$ 905.38	Generator Systems Svcs.	\$ 264.49
Gloria Schmitz	\$ 80.00	Gopher State One Call	\$ 54.00
H & L Mesabi	\$ 1638.02	Hawkins Inc.	\$ 15.00
Hometown Sanitation	\$ 4277.07	Humana Insurance	\$ 84.56
Karen Koeder	\$ 100.00	Kuehl's Electric	\$ 945.59
Martin County Attorney	\$ 480.00	Martin County Star	\$ 46.20
Midwest Fire	\$ 189.45	Midwest IT	\$ 205.00
Minnesota Energy	\$ 227.56	MN Child Support Svcs.	\$ 275.49
MN Fire Svcs. Certification	\$ 290.00	Moore & Ace	\$ 1279.92
Ninety-Four Services	\$ 1800.00	Postmaster	\$ 117.95
Quill	\$ 397.30	Racom	\$ 6759.53
Ronald Marsh	\$ 872.84	Ron Shade	\$ 416.72
SEH	\$ 3681.30	South Central Electric	\$ 9110.64
Town Center Super Valu	\$ 4.99	Triumph State Bank	\$ 513.70
Triumph State Bank	\$ 46.34	UC Laboratory	\$ 1136.30
USABLE Life	\$ 5.60	Verizon	\$ 340.20
Volunteer Benefit Assn.	\$ 207.00	WW Goetsch	\$ 1540.00
Wex Bank	\$ 414.09		

**Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Bruce Borntrager and carried to approve an addition to scope of work on the zoning permit application from Brian and Tina Krumwiede. A wall will be added to one side of the deck.**

Employee reviews were held for Mike Paulson and Melissa Sirovy at the June 23, 2020 Special Council Meeting. Mayor Schmidtke reviewed conclusions from the closed portion of the meeting. Paulson's closed review included discussion regarding his leave time and plans for the future, as well as what needs to be done to address the work load and responsibilities for all public works employees. Sirovy's closed review included discussion regarding employee responsibilities and the city's organizational structure.

Discussion took place regarding the vacant city council seat due to a resignation. Council Member Bruce Bortrager nominated JoAnn Russenberger to fill the vacant council seat.

**Motion made by Council Member Bruce Bortrager, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede and carried to appoint JoAnn Russenberger to fill the open seat until the next regular municipal election.**

In other business, Council Member Bortrager reviewed the scope of work to repair the floor in the city shop. A new approach was added to improve drainage and to eliminate the lip that is there. It will take a month for the concrete to cure. The work pending at the library was briefly reviewed. The county is requesting permission to post signs on the city bus garage to regulate use of the rural recycling site. Council approved of the signs and would also like to see the county add a fence around the site to contain loose items. It will be requested. The Google calendar is up and running to help everyone track meetings and absences. The map of possible locations for waste ponds was reviewed. SEH will be contacted to provide a map of how the ponds would fit into site 7, extending into 8 if needed, and if it appears to be a good fit the landowner(s) would be contacted.

**Motion made by Council Member Bruce Bortrager, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede and carried to adjourn.**

Signed, Troy Schmidtke, Mayor

Attest: Melissa Sirovy, City Clerk