

## Trimont City Council Minutes

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular meeting was duly held at the Trimont Community Building on the 24th day of October, 2022 at 5:30 o'clock P.M.

The following members were present: Council Member Brian Krumwiede, Council Member Jon Holtz, Council Member Sterling Adamson and Council Member Bruce Bortrager, Mayor JoAnn Russenberger

Mayor JoAnn Russenberger presided over the meeting.

Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Community Comment:

No Community Comment

Justin Lubben – working with a deadline of May 31, 2023 for having the sidewalk complete.

Fire Report: 2006 Tanker is down. Transmission is locked up. \$3700 - \$6000 for repair. Have posted for hiring Fire Fighter & EMT. Working with two applications for fire fighter now. One they are moving forward with. Classes start prior to council approval. Council is ok with them starting classes prior to council approval. Did get a call recently about someone interested in becoming an EMT.

Building Permits:

Curtis & Sarah Gwin – storage shed – Discussion about taking down old shed. **Motion made by Council Member Bruce Bortrager, seconded by Council Member Sterling Adamson, and motion carried, to approve building permit for storage shed.**

Bryan Poppe – moving shed & installing hog slat patio – Discussion on size of decking & shed. **Motion made by Council Member Sterling Adamson, seconded by Council Member Jon Holtz, and motion carried, to approve building permit for moving storage shed and building patio.**

Bjorn Olson State Representative – Need someone to be a spokesperson for Hwy 4 project. They were here about 20 years ago with overlay. They don't want to put in anything new, these roads were built in the 40's. It is a mill and overlay & not new construction. The city would like all new curb. DOT would like to see the city improve the infrastructure. Council member Adamson & Bjorn left to go see the area in question.

Police report:

Body Cam policy discussion. New body cams are on backorder. Table this discussion.

Resignation from Ross was discussed. His last day will be Nov 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023.

**Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Jon Holtz, and motion carried, to except resignation of Chief of Police Ross Wiggin with regrets.**

Thank you for your service.

Public Works Report:

Sweeper is getting repaired. Hope it's done by beginning of November. Fairmont is not letting any units out of their town that we could barrow. Used the jetter vac to clean out some of the catch basins. Sent out Bio Solid samples. Have been in contact with Cliff about getting that out on the field. Got soil samples done, we are good for 3 years with that now. Just waiting for a part to fix for the hydrants. Hydrant by Ritters needs to be

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fixed this year. We should not have any excavation on these fixes. All the hydrants are flushed. The meter at the nursing home is not working. Have new one on order will replace once it comes in.

Tom White – 330 Ash St E. – interested in purchasing the property. Discussion on lot size. Join the two properties at the county.

**Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Bruce Borntreger, and motion carried, to approve sale of property for \$1000 for the 330 Ash St E.**

Resolution 2022-21:

To receive \$7000 donation from Bev Pearson for Anderson park.

**Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntreger, seconded by Council Member Jon Holtz, and motion carried, to approve resolution 2022-21 donation for improvements at Anderson Park.**

**Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntreger, seconded by Council Member Jon Holtz, and motion carried, to approve spending donation on 1 ADA picnic table, 4 square picnic tables & cement pads. Left over funds will be used to help with the bathroom improvements to make handicap accessible.**

Ordinance 2022-01 introduction:

Reading of the new ordinance amendment:

Changing of sewer use charges to be billed by monthly usage.

Discussion on the Triumph Hall rental agreement & policy & rules. Added address & check information, got policies up to date. We have put a lock box on the thermometer. Double checking that it can only be open from our side over to the bar.

2023 Budget:

We will have more information at the work shop to look at the insurance & wages.

**Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntreger, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, and motion carried to approve the consent agenda.**

**Approve minutes from September 19, 2022 meeting as printed.**

**Approve Financial Statements for September 2022**

**Approval to pay the following bills.**

## September Bills

AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	\$37.83	
ALL SEASONS SVS OF TRIMONT	\$6,930.00	land clean up of 330 Ash St E
BANYON DATA SYSTEM	\$1,875.00	payroll -asset- fund support
BEVCOMM, INC	\$205.16	
BORNTREGER AUTO BODY & TOWING	\$44.50	tire repair - pumper
COSTELLO, CARLSON, BUTZON LLP	\$1,725.00	

DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP	\$105.57	
DOUG FULLER S CONSTRUCTIO	\$1,385.00	change out hydrant 7th Ave SE
DOUG FULLER S CONSTRUCTIO	\$600.00	30 Ash St W - valve repair
FLEET AND FARM SUPPLY 2	\$389.42	
FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	\$122.17	
HAWKINS WATER TREATMENT GROUP,	\$60.00	
HOMETOWN SANITATION	\$4,183.22	
INDOFF INC.	\$5.00	
KUEHL S ELECTRIC INC.	\$78.00	Anderson park sign
LACEY SCHMIDTKE	\$100.00	clean 8/22-9/19/22
LEAGUE OF MINN. CITIES IN	\$38,715.00	property/casualty coverage
MAIN STREET CHECKS	\$58.00	deposit slips
MARTIN COUNTY RECORDER	\$20.00	Record Notary certificate - Kelli
MIDWEST IT SYSTEMS	\$250.00	
MN FIRE SVS CERT. BOARD	\$200.00	recertification
MOORE AND ACE INC.	\$272.08	
PLUNKETTS PEST CONTROL	\$206.37	
QUILL CORPORATION	\$259.53	
RIVER BEND BUSINESS	\$3.08	
SHORT ELLIOTT HENDRICKSON INC.	\$104.50	
SITZMANN LAWN & LANDSCAPE	\$140.00	spraying for Sundaes in the Park
SOUTH CENTRAL ELECTRIC ASSN	\$6,595.02	
SOUTH CENTRAL ELECTRIC ASSN	\$467.84	Water heater Triumph Hall
TOWN CENTER INC	\$60.86	shampoo rental & supplies - Triumph Hall
UC LABORATORY	\$833.24	
WESTRUM LEAK DETECTION	\$1,100.00	
ZIEGLER, INC.	\$266.13	

Other Business:

Discussion on purchasing 1 or 2 meters that can shut off residents' water from the computer.

**Motion made by Council Member Sterling Adamson, seconded by Council Member Bruce Bortrager.  
Motion carried, to purchase 2 controllable meters.**

Thank Kelli for the updated look in City Hall.

Special Assessment letters have gone out. They have until Nov 21 to pay them or it will be assessed to their property taxes. A Thank you, letter was written for the citizens that donated clay dirt to finish filling the 330 Ash St E property clean up. Discussion on the cannabinoids and making a memorandum or an ordinance. Need to talk to the land renters and see about changing our rates. The museum is interested in having their building added to our pest control and having internet in the museum. Public Works will take on the pest control duties starting in 2023. Further discussion on the clothing allowance in a work session.

**Motion made by Council Member Sterling Adamson, seconded by Council Member Bruce Bortrager.  
Motion carried. To adjourn meeting**

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Signed, JoAnn Russenberger, Mayor

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Attest: Kelli Harder, City Clerk/ Treasurer