

## Trimont City Council Minutes

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular meeting was duly held at the Trimont Community Building on the 21st day of March, 2022 at 5:30 o'clock P.M.

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

Mayor JoAnn Russenberger presided over the meeting.

Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor JoAnn Russenberger took oath of office

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

### **Resolution 2022-09 appointing City Clerk/Treasurer for the city of Trimont.**

**Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Jon Holtz, and motion carried to approve the following resolution.**

### **Resolution 2022-10 Appointing authorized signers for City of Trimont**

Community comment period:

E Viesselman commented on water quality getting worse the last 2-3 years. Reminder that the southeast corner of town has the flooding concern, wondering where that is at & not to forget about the project. Also spoke about where the walking trail project is and doesn't want it to fall by the weigh side because it is important.

Bill Helget from Bolton & Menk:

Advertisement for bids for construction to E-Advert & Martin County star. Bid open is set for 10am on April 29, 2022. The Cooperative agreement is needed for approval.

Mayor Russenberger: Discussion of cost concerns, gas prices, war & inflation. How much will this cost the city of Trimont to complete the trail.

Bill talked with Lisa from MNDOT, she thinks that we could get additional state funds to help supplement the cost. The city can still halt the project as long as the city doesn't accept a bid. Will wait and see what the bids come in at. The county will be looking at the bids on April 29 with their approval at the meeting on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, contingent of committee approval from the city.

Council Member Bruce Borntreger: concerns with the trail to cost nothing & now over \$100,000. In addition to the other end of the trail that Trimont is responsible for 10%.

Bill will double check on the community outreach.

**Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntreger, seconded by Council Member Jon Holtz, and motion carried to approve the following resolution.**

### **Resolution 2022-13 Entering into a MNDOT agreement No. 1049358**

231 Main St E. sale:

Council Member Bruce Borntreger: believes property to Ebelings the whole lot was to be residential. Council would love to have another business in town but needs to be in a commercial zone area.

421 Main St. East sale:

sell to Moore Automation

**Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntreger, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede. Motion Carried. Approve the sale of 421 Main St E. to Moore Automation (Kevin Moore) for the price of \$250 with transfer fee of \$73.68 for a total of \$323.68**

Police Report:

Chief Wiggin gave his police report to the council. He asked to attend the Sunday training of the SWAT annual conferences, so he could attend the hostage negotiations segment. **Motion made by Council Member Jon Holtz to approve the attendance of SWAT training for Chief Wiggin, seconded by Council Member Bruce Borntreger. Motion Carried.** Chief Wiggin also clarified the wording on ATV to UTV permit. The DNR states as a class 1 or class 2. They both still require a city permit. He is also dealing with spring clean ups & cats.

Public Works Report:

Brady Schmidt discussed the 10 new meter installs. The \$80,000 ARP funds could be used to replace meters. The council has already approved meters to be purchased. **Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntreger to purchase 230 residential meters, seconded by Council Member Jon Holtz. Motion carried.** Brady also discussed PH meter went out & DO meter is always replacing membranes. New meter will do both. **Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntreger to purchase new PH meter for \$3583, seconded by Council Member Jon Holtz, Motion Carried.** Public Works has radio reads at the power plant & have been measuring streets for patch work from water main breaks. They don't plan on hiring a seasonal help.

Fire Department Report:

The new chaise is expected July 16<sup>th</sup>. Ryan will work with Kelli to work on invoicing the townships for the 1<sup>st</sup> portion invoices.

Funfest Discussion:

Band Friday night at the Rusty Spur. Stephen Melson is looking in to obtaining a one-day liquor license for Saturday in the park. Will bring insurance & file for catering license with city.

Pond Land Discussion:

Council Member Jon Holtz spoke with Matejka's, they might be willing to trade land for the ponds. Council will pursue land discussion with Karen if the land would be suitable for the future ponds.

Tree Bids:

Snyder Tree Service bid \$550. Carr's Tree Service bid \$225, city decided to have Public Works take down tree for the trail.

**Motion made by Council Member Bruce Bortrager, seconded by Council Member Jon Holtz, and motion carried, to approve the following resolution.**

**Resolution 2022-11 Designating Polling Place**

Discussion on combining Elm Creek polling with the city of Trimont. Elm Creek will be a mail in ballot for the May election. Discussion tabled.

**Motion made by Council Member Bruce Bortrager, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, and motion carried to approve the following resolution.**

**Resolution 2022-12 Accepting contributions to the Trimont Fire Department**

Consent Agenda:

**Motion made by Council Member Bruce Bortrager, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede and motion carried to approve the consent agenda as follows with exclusion to Brett Meyeraan permit.**

**Approve minutes from the February 22, 22 & March 1, 22 meeting as printed.**

**Approval to pay the following bills.**

American Welding	\$	35.75	Local IQ	\$	119.00
B & D	\$	249.37	Max Longley	\$	2,200.00
Badger Meter	\$	3.80	Metering & Tech Solutions	\$	730.57
Beemer	\$	15,107.85	Midwest IT Systems	\$	410.00
Bevcomm	\$	203.38	MINN Dept of Health	\$	838.00
Blue Cross Blue Shield, Blue Plus	\$	15.59	Minnesota Energy	\$	4,553.66
Bolton & Menk	\$	1,517.00	MJM Medical	\$	1,800.00
Bortrager Auto	\$	1,716.42	MN Chief's Association	\$	109.00
Bound Tree	\$	50.90	MN State Fire Dept Ass	\$	175.00
Bradey Schmidt	\$	404.52	Moore and Ace	\$	549.62
Burkhardt & Burkhardt	\$	375.00	Nic Miller	\$	65.00
Cardmember Service	\$	692.69	Post office	\$	163.80
City of Sherburn	\$	25.00	Photo Press	\$	79.43
Cliff Anderson	\$	780.00	Plunketts	\$	192.87
D&S Trophies	\$	166.00	River Bend	\$	31.33
Delta Dental	\$	74.70	SASCS	\$	350.00
Exit 87 Truck Wash	\$	25.00	SASCS	\$	4,860.00
Farmers State Bank	\$	513.70	SASCS	\$	500.00
Feder Mechanical	\$	3,547.91	SEH	\$	12,220.82
Frontier Communications	\$	53.68	South Central Electric	\$	5,095.29
Gopher State One Call	\$	4.05	Streicher's	\$	241.98
Hach	\$	619.58	Tactical Solutions	\$	36.00
Hawkins	\$	15.00	Triumph State Bank	\$	513.70
Higley Ford	\$	152.58	UC Labs	\$	722.66
Hometown Sanitation	\$	4,333.08	Verizon	\$	254.93
Indoff Inc.	\$	22.99	Wex Bank	\$	780.80
Kuehl's electric	\$	1,609.92			

City Clerk discussed the printer & new options with River Bend. Also, the Office hours are 8-4:30 M-F.

**Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Bruce Bortrager, Motion carried, to approve City Clerk to attend the LMC Annual conference June 22-24 for the cost of \$199 and the cost for hotel for \$669.06**

Also discussed, Clerk 101 training from LMC, clerk is working through that training. Printing council packets front to back to save paper, getting in the budget next year for tablets or laptops for council to receive meeting information. Also, to have the Part time help to go to 3 days a week 4 hours each day.

Other Business:

Discussion took place in review of the county recycling center by the bus shed. Council Member Jon Holtz has reached out to the county about cleaning it up and the possibility of a fence or something to contain the trash so it's not blowing all over town.

Declared a vacancy on the council, forms are available in the clerk's office.

**Motion made by Council Member Bruce Bortrager, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede. Motion carried. To adjourn meeting**

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Signed, JoAnn Russenberger, Mayor

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Attest: Kelli Harder, City Clerk/ Treasurer