

Trimont City Council Minutes

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular meeting was duly held at the Trimont Community Building on the 20th day of June, 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 presided over the meeting.

Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Community Comment:

J Lubben: Fence variance – neighbor signed a variance. We would just need it to be put on City of Trimont letter head. Come back to the subject

Building Permits:

Lyle Slaughter- replace the driveway- same size but he removed a tree in the middle of the driveway & filling that in with cement **Motion made by Council Member Bruce Bortrager, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, and motion carried, to approve building permit for cement driveway.**

Martin Kramer- fence along back patio – 4 sections up against back patio. **Motion made by Council Member Jon Holtz, seconded by Council Member Sterling Adamson, and motion carried, to approve building permit for fence.**

Tom Kramer- fence along west property line – Had one there took out over a year ago. Replacement of that fence. **Motion made by Council Member Sterling Adamson, seconded by Council Member Bruce Bortrager, and motion carried, to approve building permit for fence.**

Jeremy & Sara Glidden- deck & cement pad in back yard **Motion made by Council Member Bruce Bortrager, seconded by Council Member Jon Holtz, and motion carried, to approve building permit.**

North Iowa- new shop – sawmill & custom wood working. Had more questions. **Motion made by Council Member Bruce Bortrager, seconded by Council Member Sterling Adamson, and motion carried, to table building permit.**

Variance:

Discussion on the variance for Lubben.

Motion made by Council Member Sterling Adamson, no second, and motion carried died,

Chicken Permit – Semanko

Motion made by Council Member Bruce Bortrager, seconded by Council Member Sterling Adamson, and motion carried, to approve chicken permit.

Public Works Report:

Brady Schmidt discussed the seal coat & blacktop bids. Patching from water main breaks fix curbs before the streets. **Motion made by Council Member Bruce Bortrager, seconded by Council Member Sterling Adamson, and motion carried, to approve the MR Paving & Pearson Brothers bids.**

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Watching a spot down on Beech St E. with a I&I problem. Put camera in lines. Will do future research on what is the best option to fix. Will work with the home owners once the determination of the best way to fix it. Discussion of the water base paint not working. It was discovered that the flow meters have not been calibrated since 2013, per our permit it has to be done twice a year. We have gotten them certified now. Been working on the new meter installation. Put a sticker on the utility billings next month for the new meters needing to be installed. Discussion on Bradey taking City truck home. Clerk found on benefit income that if they put less than 10,000 miles a year it would cost them \$1.50 a trip, \$3.00 day. If more than 10,000 mile it is the federal rate of mileage. The employees have to claim as income. This will affect both employees even if they live in town. This was not done the last 2 years. Was at 11 miles to the gallon not the truck is at 26 miles to the gallon. Discuss this at raise time. Brady will zoom meetings. Jason will park on city property and will not take the truck home.

Police report:

Fun Fest update will have the band on Friday at the park not at the bar. Trevor will help on Friday for Fun Fest. Austin will also be round that Fun Fest week. With weather getting warmer more things happening.

Hwy 4 project: Glen reported that the Highway 4 project will start in 2024. New road will run from where they stopped in 2019 West of Sherburn then come back east 2 miles, run up Hwy 4 to Hwy 60. Pavement width will increase by 4 feet on both sides between Ormsby & Sherburn for bike accommodations. No bump outs at main street. Will have bump outs at the school crossing. Look into grants for some help with upgrades. Sidewalks will be 6 foot wide. MNDOT will host an Open House in July or August.

Diesel Truck Pull:

The EMT's & firemen donated their time so the city was not charged. No BS Performance made a bigger donation to the Fire Relief for the calendar. We should set a fee in the future for use of ambulance. For this year just let it be.

Fire Report: Roof

Discussion on the bids for roof repair. Schwickert's alternate option # 4 is the best fit for what the city needs to fix first. **Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntreger, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, and motion carried, to approve Schwickert's bid.**

Ash St E Burn house:

Post a bid for cleanup.

Fun Fest:

Clerk got them a 2-day liquor License – Friday night the band is in the park.

Garden Club:

There is a reformed Garden Club in Trimont. They will be maintaining 4 planters in the memorial park. **Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntreger, seconded by Council Member Jon Holtz, and motion carried, to approve \$225 donation to the garden club.**

PTO:

Discussion on if there will be a change to the policy for Sick/Vacation time changing over to PTO.

Trail Maintenance:

Put some new gravel on the existing trail by the town center. **Motion made by Council Member Sterling Adamson, seconded by Council Member Bruce Borntreger, and motion carried, to approve Jon Holtz to upgrade the trail for \$400.**

Grass clippings:

Discussion on making an ordinance on grass clippings. Things will remain the same for now.

Building Permit Application:

Discussed the building permit application & if we want to change ours. Comparing to some other towns around.

Shade driveway:

There was no building permit for the drive way poured. Send letter to them & contractors that they need a permit first. Define if pavers need a building permit. Further discussion on this later.

Consent Agenda:

Motion made by Council Member Bruce Borntreger, seconded by Council Member Sterling Adamson and motion carried to approve the consent agenda

Approve minutes from April 18, & May 16, 2022 meeting as printed.

Approval to pay the following bills.

AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	\$37.14	
BANYON DATA SYSTEM	\$1,430.00	yearly support
BEVCOMM, INC	\$116.59	
BOBS BIFFYS	\$235.00	2021 ball field
BOLTON & MENK, INC.	\$5,435.00	
DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP	\$5,680.79	hydrant & coupling
EXPERT BILLING, LLC	\$450.00	
HACH COMPANY	\$349.44	replacement cap
MAXWELL EUGENE LONGLEY	\$2,200.00	
MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL	\$530.93	shop supplies
SHORT ELLIOTT HENDRICKSON INC.	\$24,758.97	Eng. Report
VAN IWAARDEN ASSOCIATES	\$2,400.00	GASB Reporting
SOUTH CENTRAL ELECTRIC ASSN	\$4,985.02	
VERIZON WIRELESS	\$185.55	
ALEX AIR APPARATUS, INC.	\$17,607.00	new gear
BADGER METER	\$14.25	
BEVCOMM, INC	\$87.85	
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	\$32.99	BP Cuff
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	\$449.81	
CUSTOM ELECTRIC LLC	\$70.00	Flag pole
FASTENAL COMPANY	\$7.97	PPE
FLOW	\$848.00	certification flow meters

FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS	\$203.16	
GOPHER STATE ONE CALL, IN	\$17.55	
KUEHL S ELECTRIC INC.	\$84.98	air con - fuse - Fire Hall
LACEY SCHMIDTKE	\$120.00	City Hall Cleaning
MAC QUEEN EQUIPMENT, INC.	\$592.06	mandrel strip broom
MAXWELL EUGENE LONGLEY	\$2,200.00	
MIDWEST IT SYSTEMS	\$371.25	
MOORE AND ACE INC.	\$477.82	
PIONEER RESEARCH	\$327.17	EN Solve
POSTMASTER	\$130.00	PO Box rent
RIVER BEND BUSINESS	\$33.89	
UC LABORATORY	\$956.29	
WEX BANK	\$1,046.65	

Other business:

Should have a penalty if a building permit id not

The city has accrued almost \$15,000 in late fees & penalties this year. From previous employee not paying bills on time and or not submitting reports in a timely manner.

Crystal Valley having an open house & want to use tables & chairs. We don't loan them out.

Motion made by Council Member Jon Holtz, seconded by Council Member Bruce Borntrager. Motion carried. To adjourn meeting

Signed, JoAnn Russenberger, Mayor

Attest: Kelli Harder, City Clerk/ Treasurer