

**APPROVED MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
CITY OF WYOMING, MINNESOTA
OCTOBER 1, 2024
7:00PM**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Lisa Iverson called the Regular Meeting of the Wyoming City Council for October 1, 2024 to order at 7:00 PM

CALL OF ROLL:

On a Call of the Roll the following members of the Wyoming City Council were present: Councilmembers Lisa Iverson, Linda Nanko Yeager, Dennis Schilling, Brett Ohnstad, and Claire Luger

ABSENT: None

Also Present: Tom Loonan, Eckberg Lammers, Robb Linwood, City Administrator, Grant MacFarlane, Assistant City Administrator, Mark Erichson-WSB, Neil Bauer - Public Safety Director, Fred Weck, Zoning Administrator/Building Official, Steve Reeves, Public Works Superintendent; and Chris Hogan – Baker Tilly

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

OPEN FORUM:

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. Consider approving the minutes of the “Work Session Meeting” of the Wyoming, Minnesota City Council for September 17, 2024

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE “WORK SESSION MEETING” OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL FOR SEPTEMBER 17, 2024, AS SUBMITTED.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

2. Consider approving the minutes of the “Regular Meeting” of the Wyoming, Minnesota City Council for September 17, 2024

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE “REGULAR MEETING” OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL FOR SEPTEMBER 17, 2024, AS SUBMITTED.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

SCHEDULED BID LETTINGS:

CONSENT AGENDA:

Items under the "Consent Agenda" will be adopted with one motion; however, council members may request individual items to be pulled from the consent agenda for discussion and action if they choose.

3. To consider authorizing the payment of recommended bills, payroll, and journal entries for the period from September 18, 2024 to October 1, 2024
4. To consider **Resolution 24-10-93** a resolution declaring certain property and surplus property for disposal and authorizing the Public Works Department to dispose of the property through on-line auction
5. To consider adopting **Resolution 24-10-94** a resolution appointing Election Judges for the General Election of 2024.
6. To consider a Request for Proposals (RFP) for lawn mowing services for 2025-2027

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, TO APPROVE #3, #4, #5, and #6 OF THE WYOMING CITY COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS:

7. Report of the Public Safety Director, Neil Bauer for September 25, 2024
8. Report of City Building Official, Fred Weck, IV for September 25, 2024
9. Report of City Attorney Tom Loonan for September 27, 2024
10. Report of City Engineer Mark Erichson, WSB for September 27, 2024
11. Report of Public Works Superintendent, Steve Reeves for September 26, 2024

COMMUNICATIONS:

12. Comfort Lake Forest Lake Watershed District (CLFLWD) – Watershed Champion Award 2024

City Administrator Linwood – Explained that the City had received the 2024 Watershed Champion Award from the Comfort Lake Forest Lake Watershed District because of the City's enhanced street sweeping program, being a supporter of the Highway 61 Sunrise River Wetland Project, and their letters of support for the Heath Avenue North Iron Enhanced Sand Filter.

Mayor Iverson – Stated that the homeowners from Heims Lake had also won an award from the CLFLWD which was also exciting.

Public Works Superintendent Reeves – Stated that the Public Works Department was very proud of this award because they take all topics related to water very seriously. He noted that they have an operator on their crew that has taken ownership of the enhanced street sweeping program who has been doing a wonderful job.

OLD BUSINESS: NONE

NEW BUSINESS

13. To consider **Resolution 24-10-95** a Resolution Providing for the Competitive Negotiated Sale of \$1,765,000 General Obligation Improvement Bonds, Series 2024A

City Administrator Linwood – Explained that today was the sale date for the City's General Obligation Improvement Bonds and introduced Chris Hogan from Baker Tilly.

Chris Hogan, Baker Tilly – Briefly reviewed the 5 bids that were received, the bonding process, and noted that the winning bid rate was 3.222% from Brownstone Investment Group, LLC. She stated that based on the pricing, she would recommend the Council approve the bond sale to Brownstone Investment Group, LLC.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MAYOR IVERSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 24-10-95 A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR THE COMPETITIVE NEGOTIATED SALE OF \$1,975,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION IMPROVEMENT BONDS, SERIES 2024A

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

14. To consider a Proclamation Declaring October 1 – October 31, 2024 as "Manufacturer's Month" in the City of Wyoming

Assistant City Administrator MacFarlane – Stated that this proclamation was something the City has done on an annual basis due to the importance of the manufacturing industry to the State, County, and the City. He stated that the City will hold an event in honor of Manufacturer's Month on October 9, 2024 from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at Splitrocks.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, TO APPROVE A PROCLAMATION DECLARING OCTOBER 1 – OCTOBER 31, 2024 AS "MANUFACTURER'S MONTH" IN THE CITY OF WYOMING

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Council Member Ohnstad – Attended the City Could Work Session meeting.

Council Member Nanko Yeager – Attended the City Council Work Session meeting. She expressed appreciation to County Commissioner Montzka for coming to speak with the residents.

Council Member Luger – Attended the City Council Work Session meeting.

Council Member Schilling – Attended the City Council Work Session meeting.

Mayor Iverson – Attended the Planning Commission meeting and the CLFLWD Award program. She noted that on October 5, 2024 she would be serving at an event serving the Troops that will be going over to Kuwait.

Public Safety Director Bauer – Stated that Coffee with the Cops would be held on October 2, 2024 at McDonald's between 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.

County Commissioner Montzka – Reminded residents that the General Election was coming up and noted that people can still register on-line up until October 15, 2024. He stated that early voting was also available at the courthouse.

Mayor Iverson – Encouraged County Commissioner Montzka to continue working on getting funding for the City's residents.

Mayor Iverson recessed the City Council meeting at 7:17 p.m. and reconvened at 7:23 p.m.

- 15.** To consider entering a closed session under MN State Statute 13D.03 to discuss labor negotiation strategies for a contract with the bargaining unit of Law Enforcement Labor Services

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER TO ENTER INTO A CLOSED SESSION UNDER MN STATE STATUTUE 13D.03 TO DISCUSS LABOR NEGOTIATION STRATEGIES FOR A CONTRACT WITH THE BARGAINING UNITS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT LABOR SERVICES (LELS) GROUP 507 AT 7:23PM

Voting Aye: Nanko Yeager, Luger, Iverson, Ohnstad and Schilling

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION UNDER MN STATE STATUTUE 13D.03 TO DISCUSS LABOR NEGOTIATION STRATEGIES FOR A CONTRACT WITH THE BARGAINING UNITS OF LAW ENFORCEMENT LABOR SERVICES (LELS) 507 AT 7:43PM

Voting Aye: Nanko Yeager, Luger, Iverson, Ohnstad and Schilling

Voting Nay: None

Abstain: None

Absent: None

City Administrator Linwood gave a summation of the closed session

The closed meeting was relative to the matters for bargaining purposes and contract negotiations between the City of Wyoming and bargaining unit of Law Enforcement Labor Services. The meeting was closed under MN State Statute 13D.03. The closed meeting was attended by Mayor Lisa Iverson and City Council Members Dennis Schilling, Linda Nanko Yeager, Claire Luger and Brett Ohnstad. Also, in attendance was Assistant City Administrator, Grant MacFarlane, Public Safety Director, Neil Bauer, City Administrator, Robb Linwood, and Labor Attorney, Soren Mattick. The council reviewed the proposed contract from the bargaining units. The city council provided advice and direction to legal and city staff but made no formal votes or motions.

- 16.** To consider a contract between the city of Wyoming and Local Law Enforcement Services 507 (SERGEANTS) for the years of 2024-2026

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MAYOR IVERSON, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER TO APPROVE A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE CITY OF WYOMING AND LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES 507 (SERGEANTS) FOR THE YEARS OF 2024-2026

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Voting Aye: Schilling, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson

Voting Nay: Nanko Yeager

Abstain: None
Absent: None

17. To consider entering a Closed Session under MN State Statute 13D.05, Subd 3(a) for the Annual Performance Evaluation of City Administrator Linwood

City Attorney Loonan He stated that at this time the Council will be entering a closed session under MN State Statute 13D.05, Subd 3(a) to discuss the annual the review of City Administrator Robb Linwood. He noted that City Administrator Linwood has consented to the closed session for this purpose.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER OHNSTAD, TO APPROVE GOING INTO A CLOSED SESSION UNDER MN STATE STATUTE 13D.05, SUBD. 3(A) FOR AN ANNUAL PERFORMANCE EVALUATION OF CITY ADMINISTRATOR ROBB LINWOOD AT 7:50 P.M.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson
Voting Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCILMEMBER LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING TO EXIT THE CLOSED SESSION AND GO BACK INTO AN OPEN MEETING AT 8:02 P.M.

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson
Voting Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

City Attorney Loonan – Stated that the Council was in a Closed Session under MN State Statute 13D.05, Subd. 3(a) regarding City Administrator Linwood’s annual performance review. The Closed Session was attended by Mayor Iverson, Councilmembers Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Ohnstad and Luger as well as City Administrator Linwood and himself. He explained that no formal motions were offered or passed at the Closed Session.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY MAYOR LUGER, SECONDED BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHILLING TO ADJOURN THE OCTOBER 1, 2024 “REGULAR MEETING” OF THE WYOMING, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AT 8:03PM

Voting Aye: Schilling, Nanko Yeager, Luger, Ohnstad, Iverson
Voting Nay: None
Abstain: None
Absent: None

A portion of this public meeting may be closed to discuss “Labor Negotiation Strategies”; “Misconduct allegations or charges”; “Attorney-client privilege”; or “Performance evaluations” as per MN State Statute 13D.01-.05.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING:
OCTOBER 15, 2024
7:00PM