

Watson City Council Meeting Minutes

October 11, 2022

Present: Council Members: Carter Lokken, Nathan Jordahl, Cheryl Bjornstad, Todd Vogel. City Clerk: Alan Marohl. Special guest Bernice Robinson with UMRDC.

Acting Mayor Vogel called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Add Lines for parking under maintenance report.

Motion to approve agenda with additions by Vogel, 2nd Bjornstad m/s/p unanimously.

Motion to approve September 13, 2022 Council Meeting Minutes by Vogel, 2nd Bjornstad m/s/p unanimously.

Modular Home Public Hearing – Council reviewed the final draft of the ordinance and made no further changes. No public comments were made and the hearing was closed.

Motion to send ordinance 2022-01 to council for adoption by Vogel, 2nd Lokken. m/s/p unanimously.

Financial Report:

- Cash Balances

Motion to approve monthly claims by Vogel, 2nd Jordahl m/s/p unanimously.

- Utilities – Delinquent accounts were sent disconnection notices.

Old Business:

- Small Cities Grant presentation – Bernice Robinson presented to council a short video about the Fair Housing Act. Bernice also updated council on the newspaper advertisement for the FHA and the progress on the City of Watson’s current projects.
- Yellowstone Trial sign update – Alan informed council that the sign was not allowed to be placed on a highway under MNDOT rules. It could however be placed at a park or baseball field. The other option was to purchase a different sign with an approved design. Alan is still in contact with MNDOT and no final decision was made.

New Business:

- Resolution 10-11-22 Modular Home – No further discussion was had on the ordinance.

Motion to adopt ordinance 2022-01 and resolution 10-11-22 by Vogel, 2nd Lokken. M/s/p unanimously.

Maintenance Report:

- Johnson Jet-Line Invoice – The invoice for jetting and televising the sewer lines was presented for council to look over.

- Parking lines for main street – Alan was instructed to get a quote from All Star Striping for parking lines and a handicap road painting.

City Clerk Report:

- Valley Burning – Alan reported that the DNR will not burn the valley for the City of Watson. The DNR said the city can do it themselves with permission from the Sherrif or have a fire department help. Council did not think it was necessary to burn the valley.
- Resident Chicken Permit – Council had no issue with the chicken permit but did ask the resident to acquire a building permit once the shed has been placed on their property.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

City Clerk, Alan Marohl