

## SPECIAL MEETING THE TOWN OF WINNETT HELD August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023

**THOSE PRESENT**- Mayor – Absent  
Leo Tarplee – Acting Mayor  
Brad Olson, Levi Johnson, and Tom Tiarks- Council  
Savannah Moore – Clerk & Treasurer

- I. **Call Meeting to Order:** Leo Tarplee called the meeting to order at 5:00 PM.
  - a. Pledge of Allegiance
  - b. Review and Adopt Agenda – No revisions.
- II. **New Business**
  - a. Public Comment
    - No Public Comment
  - b. Preliminary Budget for Fiscal Year 2023-2024
    - The council received the revenue and expenditure preliminary budget reports for FY 23-24 as well as the revenues compared with expenditures report.
    - Savannah's only concern regarding this year's budget is the water and sewer revenue being too low as discussed in past meetings.
    - Discussion was had regarding the budget and specifically the water and sewer funds having less income than expenses.
    - The council suggested Savannah talked to Bobbie from Montana Rural Water Systems to get an updated rate analysis and her advice on a rate increase as soon as possible.
    - No further discussion – the budget will be finalized at the regular September meeting.
  - c. Budget Amendment for Fiscal Year 2022-2023
    - The water and sewer funds were both overspent for the previous fiscal year – the sewer fund cause was increased cost in general maintenance, the water fund had to repair an emergency line break that was not budgeted for, as well as increased cost in general maintenance.
  - d. Resolution #2023-04
    - Levi made a motion to pass Resolution #2023-04 and amend the 2022-23 budget, Tom second and the vote passed unanimously.
  - e. Pool Project Stipend
    - The council discussed a fair stipend to pay Barb Solf in her efforts for the pool project, including writing all of the grants and managing the project.
    - Brad made a motion to pay Barb a \$1,500 stipend, Tom second and the vote passed unanimously. (will be paid in the September claims)
  - f. Clerk Report
    - Savannah will be gone during the regularly scheduled council meeting in November (the 8<sup>th</sup>), would like to hold the meeting November 15<sup>th</sup> (the third Wednesday instead of the second of the month) – there is no objection to this.

- There have been no applications for the Public Works position at this time - discussion is had on a temporary employee or increasing Heidi Hanson's responsibilities in addition to changing her job description to temporarily match these responsibilities.
- No decision is made at this time.
- Two councilmen will be gone at their regularly scheduled September meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup>, will plan to hold the meeting September 20<sup>th</sup>.

**III. Items for Next Agenda**

- a. Temporary Public Works Personnel

**IV. Adjourn Meeting 5:20 PM.**

- a. Levi made a motion to adjourn at 5:20 PM, Brad second and the vote passed unanimously.

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David Harris  
Mayor

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Savannah Moore  
Town Clerk & Treasurer

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