
CITY OF NEW GERMANY, COUNCIL MINUTES – AUGUST 2, 2022

- A. CALL TO ORDER: The Regular City Council meeting was held on August 2, 2022 in the city council room of the New Germany City Hall. Mayor Van Lith called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m., those presents were: Mayor Van Lith, Councilpersons Shirley Jaeger, Ty Turnquist, Thomas Mielke and Kevin Grove (came later in meeting). Others present were: Asst. Fire Chief- Ryan Goede, City Clerk – Twyla Menth. Audience members present were:
- B. CITIZEN COMMENT: There were no additional comments from the audience.
- C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: **Jaeger moved and Turnquist seconded approving the agenda with the addition of Resolution 2022-13. The motion carried. 4/0**
- D. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL MINUTES: **Jaeger moved and Turnquist seconded approval of the July 19, 2022, minutes. The motion carried. 4/0**
- E. ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED:
1. Resolution 2022-13 A Resolution Approving the LG555 Government Approval or Acknowledgement for Use of Gambling Funds, to be used for Parks \$ 1595.00. **Turnquist moved and Jaeger seconded approving Resolution 2022-13. The motion carried. 4/0**
- F. SHERIFF'S REPORT: No report.
- G. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT:
1. Discussion on FD budget.
2. Discussion on wage increases for the FD; get wages from other surrounding cities as a comparable.
3. Purchase grass rig pump for \$900 from Waconia.
4. Discussion if weather sirens are up to date.
5. Discussion on future truck purchases, forecasted to increase over 30%, discuss with Ehlers. Asst Chief Goede also informed Council the plan to consolidate trucks for future needs. Asst Chief Goede reported the FD tanker may be delayed longer than expected.
- H. TREASURE REPORT: The Treasury report noted that the CTAS fund balance was \$2,182,940.37 which includes the Investment fund balance. **Jaeger moved and Mielke seconded approval of the Treasure report. The motion carried. 4/0**
- I. APPROVAL OF CLAIMS: **Grove moved and Mielke seconded approving the claims in the amount of \$ 22,657.59. The motion carried. 5/0 (Grove present).**
- J. WATER SEWER REPORT: Final reads on homes that have been sold, few sump pump inspections left.
- K. BUILDING PERMIT UPDATE: No update.
- L. COMPLAINT LOG: No complaints.
- M. PW REPORT: Working on cleaning PW out and hauling scrap metal in.
- N. PARKS REPORT: Leagues are done, made some money.
- O. MAYORS REPORT: Mayor Van Lith read the letter from LMC in regards to honoring Julia Coleman for 2022.

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- P. CLERKS REPORT: Getting ready for Primary Elections on August 9, completed Public Accuracy testing at the County.
Resident selling property having an easement issue; city attorney is reviewing.
Trying to find resolution on Council wages; no luck so far. Council thought the last increase was 2004-2008.
Questioned Council if Schroeder Meats is annexed into the City, would Council have any issues if the Township approved; no issues from Council.
- Q. OLD BUSINESS:
1. Basement, office is completed with LED lights, upstairs of hall is left.
2. Council went through the 2023 Budget and made a few updates.
- R. NEW BUSINESS: No additional new business.
- S. ADJOURNMENT: Grove moved and Jaeger seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:01 PM. The motion carried. 5/0

Respectfully Submitted, _____ Twyla Menth, City Clerk