## City of Wilmont Regular Council Meeting February 12, 2025

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by Mayor, Josh Balster at 6:00 pm in the Wilmont Community Center, 316 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Council Present: Isaac Joens, Alicia Entinger & Josh Balster.

Guests and Staff: Deputy Morke, Amber Bertrand & Steve Joens

Absent: Tom Slater

**Agenda:** Alicia Entinger moved to accept the agenda with additions and was seconded by Isaac Joens. All in favor. Motion Carried

**Minutes:** Isaac Joens made a motion to approve the minutes from January 15, 2025 and was seconded by Alicia Entinger. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Time Sheets**: Time sheets look good and no questions arose. Alicia Entinger made a motion to approve time sheets, seconded by Isaac Joens. All in favor, Motion carried.

**Treasurers Report**: Amber Bertrand presented the treasurers report – nothing out of the ordinary. Isaac Joens made a motion to accept the financial report and to pay the remaining bills and also to pay the operating bills that are received after the council meeting including the fire department bills. Motion seconded by Alicia Entinger. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Nobles County Sheriff Report:** Deputy Morke was present — Council didn't have anything to discuss but Steve did mention that there was a car that hasn't moved even with the snowstorm but we are unsure of who it belongs to. Deputy Morke left to take a look and did come back to the meeting to inform us of who owns it and was told by owner that it will get moved. Alicia Entinger made a motion to approve the Sheriff Report and was seconded by Issac Joens. All in favor, motion carried.

**Maintenance Report**: Steve Joens gave the report – Did some tree trimming. There is a class in Pipestone coming up in May for 2 days for water/wastewater which will give him credit towards the hours he needs to keep licenses. Council was fine with him signing up for that. Alicia Entinger made motion to approve the maintenance report and was seconded by Isaac Joens. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Fire Department Report**: Nothing much to report. Amber did check with Wade at Insurance about if the Fire Department should have a list of equipment which he said would be a good idea so Amber will talk with Logan about getting that done. Josh and Jordan have been going around to townships to see if they will donate towards a new truck. Isaac Joens made motion to approve the Fire Department Report and was seconded by Alicia Entinger. All in favor. Motion carried.

Clerk Report: Amber gave the Clerk report – Local Board of Appeal & Equalization meeting is set for Monday, April 28<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm and reminded Council that there needs to be at least 3 of them there and at least one needs to have had the training. Amber will keep on Agenda as a reminder. Alicia Entinger made motion to approve the Clerks Report and was seconded by Isaac Joens. All in favor. Motion carried.

Last month the Council tabled the appointing of a new Council member so they could see who may be interested in filling the vacant seat for the next 2 years. Amber did check with Tom Slater to see if he had anyone in mind which he said he didn't and was fine with whoever the other Council members chose. On a motion by Issac Joens and seconded by Alicia Entinger is was duly passed to appoint Carolyn Penning for the remaining 2 year term. All in favor, motion carried. Amber will reach out to Carolyn to let her know.

On a motion by Isaac Joens and seconded by Alicia Entinger it was duly passed to approve Resolution 2025-08 Declaring Excess Property for the Wilmont Fire Department. All in favor, motioned carried

Alicia Entinger was approached about possibly having an ice rink within the City – either at the park or ballfield area. Council didn't think it was a bad idea but Isaac did mention that you would need to buy the ice rink boards and a liner otherwise the

rink could become rough and the water would stay in the designated area better. Alicia said she will bring to the Booster Club to see if they would be interested in purchasing the right equipment to get one up and running. The Council would be fine with the water usage. If it goes any further with the Booster Club it will be discussed more at a future Council meeting.

Old Business: Steve will talked with Brian to see if he wants to buy the windows or see if we can get the windows back.

There being no further business, Alicia Entinger made a motion to adjourn.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 12, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Amber Bertrand, City Clerk

Note: These minutes are proposed and are subject to change.