

REG SPOONER CITY COUNCIL MINS
Jan 3, 2023 5PM, in Council Chambers

- 1) CALL MEETING TO ORDER; Chairperson Gabriel called mtg to order at 5pm
- 2) ROLL CALL; 6 members present, 2 absent.
- 3) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE;
- 4) PUBLIC COMMENTARY;
None
- 5) Mayor's Comments;
Mayor will try to make it to meeting dependent on weather/roads.
- 6) Introduce New RR Park Board Member Dave Mills;
Not present.
- 7) Approval of Agenda;
Motion (Ortmann/Parker) to Approve Agenda. PASSED.
- 8) CONSENT AGENDA:
**All items listed with an asterisk (*) are considered routine and will be enacted by 1 motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless Council member so requests, in which event item will be removed from General Order of Business and considered at this point to agenda.
 - a) *Accept Mins from Dec 6, 2022 Council Mtg;
 - b) *Finance & Personnel Committees Recommendation to Approve monthly payables checks: 48346 – 48467, 20221121, 20221202, 20221205, 22113001 – 22113005, 22121301 – 22121304, 202212141 - 202212143;
 - c) *Finance & Personnel Committees Recommendation to Approve Amendment to Section 2-42 Municipal Ordinance;
 - d) *Finance & Personnel Committees Recommendation to Approve \$2/hour 2023 Wage Adjustment for law enforcement assistant and captain position in Jan 2023 and new chief starting on Apr 1, 2023;
 - e) *Finance & Personnel Committees Recommendation to Approve to hire Robert Darwin for captain's position contingent on background check, drug screen and full Council approval, with special consideration of receiving 2 weeks of vacation;
 - f) *Finance & Personnel Committees Recommendation to Approve W/O of \$2,644.62;
 - g) *Plan Commission Recommendation to Approve concept for Extraterritorial CSM for Paula Campbell SE-NE, Section 36, T39N, R13W, Town of Evergreen W7320 & W7334 Hwy 70 and creating three lots;
 - h) *Plan Commission Recommendation to Approve site plan for south side warehouse expansion for Cortec;
Motion (Dunn/Donovan) to Approve Consent Agenda, items a – h. PASSED.
Ortmann wanted additional information for g & h items. Marx summarized. (g) CSM not complete, but will create 3 lots. Currently there are 2 existing homes. Division would meet the City's standards. (h) Cortec addition on south side of warehouse, construction in 2023. Future addition on north side.
- 9) DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:
 - a) Municipal Operations Committee Recommendation to Express no Objection to SHS Request to Place Microphone on Yellow River Flowage Pond on East Side of River Street and to Coordinate with DNR;
Per DNR, no permits are required as long as microphone is clearly marked for safety reasons and anchoring is marked or buried. Should be removed as soon as possible after ice is out. Select Choir Representatives spoke regarding their proposal and funds raised to date, which they note on their Facebook page. Anticipate setting microphone from Feb 11th – Mar 11th. May move to the west side of pond to be out of way of snowmobilers or potential Jack Frost pond hockey. Representative will check with Chamber.
Motion (Dunn/Ortmann) to Approve SHS Request to Place Microphone on Yellow River Flowage Pond. PASSED.
 - b) Consider Financial Support Request by Rails on Trails for New Equipment;
Ben Popp and Jason Kohl with Rails on Trails discussed the trails and need to purchase new grooming sled. Previous grooming sled was 21 years old. Various activities use the trail from mountain biking to cross country skiing. Grooming and maintaining trail is all volunteers. Approximate cost is \$17,000 and have raised over \$10,000. In addition of possible donation, would like to be considered for long term plan. Would like to know if the City could be more involved in maintaining trails. What can group do to have more communications with the City? A lot of kids are using trail. Group figures there are 250 hours of maintenance, all volunteer hours. Spend approximately \$1,000 on gas for snowmobile, chainsaw etc....
Motion (Dunn/ Donovan) to donate \$5,000 to Rails on Trails for new trail groomer through fund balance. Roll call vote: 6 yes votes, 2 absent. PASSED.
- 9) STAFF REPORTS/COMMENTS/REQUESTS:
 - a) Financial Report Nov 2022;
Motion (Donovan/Parker) to accept Nov 2022 Financial Report. PASSED.
 - b) Chief's Report;
Chief and Captain not present due to police business. Report is updated with cases and contacts since Dec Safety meeting.
 - c) BID Report;
No meeting. Will be planning banners for new light poles. Gagnon/Ortmann commented they like banners all same.
 - d) Railroad Park Update;
No update.
 - e) Library Liaison Report;
As expected, after Personnel/Finance joint meeting that discussed potential building purchase, board is disappointed, nothing negative. Summarized year-end totals for library and food program participants.
- 10) ADJOURNMENT;
Motion (Ortmann/Donovan) to adjourn mtg. PASSED. Mtg adjourned at 5:24 p.m.

ATTESTED BY:

Daryl Gabriel, Council President
Krista J. Lyons-Hartwig, City Clerk/Treasurer