

November 4, 2024

The City Council of the City of New Munich met in regular session at 6:30 p.m., in the City Hall. Kurt Thelen, Ron Doll, Jordan Schmiesing, Sandy Zierden and Courtney Fiedler were present.

On a motion by Sandy Zierden, 2nd by Courtney Fiedler and carried the minutes from October 7, 2024 were approved.

Others present at meeting: Steph Boecker. Steven Worms-looking to see what happened to the Lions sign from the north end of town when the road work was done. Would like it put back up. Tom & Sasha Newman were wondering about the small cities program. They should be getting a letter in the mail.

Fire Chief Al –1 medical for the month. Hours for the fireman are ready for the year to pay. 1 bill from I am responding for \$305.00. Looking for renew contract for 3 years as well. On the PERA the fire department would like to go from 1600.00 to 1800.00 a year for retirement and that would still put them overfunded and that is where they would need to be.

Waste/Water Operator Jon-Need to get the pipes inside the well house painted. Tested for fluoride 2 times a week and need a new tester. The old one no longer works and Justin has been having to run the samples to Avon to use theirs. Jon gave some numbers as to what a new tester would cost. Sandy Zierden made a motion to purchase a new fluoride tester for the city, Jordan Schmiesing 2nd. Motion carried. Jon will get one ordered from USA BlueBook. Annual inspections were completed of the lift stations. North pump station once again was filled with rags. The city asks the residents of New Munich to please do not flush rags down your toilets. Even though wipes says disposable wipes they are not flushable. Please DO NOT flush these down your toilet. They need to go into your garbage. This is costing the city and the tax payers lots of extra money to keep having someone come and clean these rags out of the pumps. The propellers are going to end up needing to be replaced.

Building Permits – Worms Lumber-Remove existing open face shed on north side. Also remove building behind it. Replace with building 80x64 and add 54x18 open face shed. Replace cement as needed. Also discussed the use of corn bins in city limits for gazebo's. They do not meet the ordinance as the ordinance is currently written.

Garbage Contract-Jeff Bertram with West Central Sanitation was present at the meeting to talk about the garbage contract that will be expiring as of March 31, 2025. Talked a lot about the issues that have been brought up from the residents in town. Jeff will be back at the January 6th meeting.

Resolution 11-24-A – Certifying Unpaid Utility Bills – Sandy Zierden made a motion to approve resolution to certify the unpaid utility bills and submit them to the county to be added to the 2025 taxes, 2nd by Courtney Fiedler. Motion carried.

Resolution 11-24-B – Accepting Donation to the City – Courtney Fiedler made a motion to approve the resolution to accept the donation from Freeport state bank of the bank lot, 2nd by Jordan Schmiesing. Motion carried.

Was brought up that residents are still watering into September and that is not one of the months that sewer is averaged for water usage. Council discussed adding September now into the average as well. Courtney Fiedler made a motion to add September into the summer water watering average, 2nd by Sandy Zierden. Motion carried.

Munich Acres Purchase Agreement-Someone is interested in purchasing a lot in Munich Acres contingent on the selling of their house. The realtor was able to take care of this.

2024 Annual City Noxious Weed Control Report is due to the county. Mayor Kurt Thelen filled out the report. Ron Doll made a motion to pass the report, 2nd by Jordan Schmiesing. Motion carried.

Rental Inspections-Still has 3 inspections left to do. Mayor Kurt would like to go with to do the inspections.

Park and Trail Enhancement Funding Grant had been submitted. Now to wait to see what we will find out.

On a motion by Courtney Fiedler, 2nd by Sandy Zierden and carried the following bills were approved.

AARON HASBROOK	851.50
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ALBANY MUTUAL TELEPHONE	121.59
ALLEN FIELDER	1730.00
ANN PIOTROWSKI	1250.00
BADGER METER	19.76
BRYAN BRICKWEG	360.00
DAN SCHWIETERS	492.00
DUSTIN LEUKAM	228.00
EFTPS	1644.80
EMERGENCY SERVICES MARKETING	305.00
GERALD REVERMAN	65.00
GERALD REVERMANN	40.00
GOPHER STATE ONE CALL	2.70
H2O SMARTEC LLC	2550.00
HAWKINS	2046.31
JERON VANDREHLE	444.00
JOVANOVICH, DEGE & ATHMANN	417.15
KAREN TIMP	540.00
KURT RITTER	540.00
MATT HEINEN	336.00
MIKE SAND	360.00
MINNESOTA REVENUE	67.58
NICHOLE LECLAIRE	360.00
PERA	175.00
POSTERMASTER	172.00
RAHN'S OIL & PROPANE INC	22.66
RMB	171.38

STACY FUNK	225.00
STAR PUBLICATION	77.61
TOM NEWMAN	456.00
WW GEOTSCH	1075.00
XCEL ENERGY	1204.47

On a motion by Sandy Zierden, 2nd by Jordan Schmiesing motion carried the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 pm.

City Clerk
Ann Piotrowski