

**City of Mountain Lake  
Regular City Council Meeting  
Mountain Lake City Hall – 930 Third Ave  
Monday, February 5, 2024  
5:45 p.m.**

Members Present: Andrew Ysker, Dean Janzen, Darla Kruser, Bryan Bargen

Members Absent: Mike Nelson

City Staff Present: Michael Mueller City Administrator; Maryellen Suhrhoff City Attorney,  
Doug Bristol Police Chief

Others Present: Doug Regehr, Joel Alvstad, Dean Sawatzky

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Councilmember Ysker at 5:45 p.m.

**Approval of Agenda & Consent Agenda**

Motion by Janzen, seconded by Bargen to add the rifle range on the agenda. Motion carried 4–0. Motion by Janzen, seconded by Bargen to approve the agenda and consent agenda as amended. Motion carried 4–0.

Bills: Checks # 27998-28041, 1018E-1028E

Payroll: Checks #67872-67887

Approve January 11 Utilities Commission Minutes

Approve January 16 City Council Minutes

Approve January Street Department Report

Accept Mark Warner Resignation, Ambulance, effective 1-8-2024

**Public**

No comment

**Rifle Range**

Dean Sawatzky from the Mountain Lake Sportsmen’s Club requested to install a backstop on the rifle range. The club would need to temporarily remove the fencing around the city’s wastewater ponds to access the location, and would put the fence back once the project was completed.

Motion by Janzen, seconded by Kruser to approve the request. Motion carried 4–0.

**Police- Public Hearing to Discuss Body Cameras**

No comments or questions from the public. No action was taken.

**Fire & Ambulance Hall**

The city administrator is still working to get specs and costs for EPS, Bulter Steel, and Lester Buildings for the Fire & Ambulance Hall. Lester Buildings sent a quote of \$1,634,000. Council would like to bring these estimates and options back to the building committee for further discussion.

**City Attorney**

An update was given to the council regarding civil processes on various properties, public nuisances, current processes, court procedures, agreements, and plans.

**City Administrator**

The City received the \$10,000 check today for the grant to update the community center bathrooms. The city administrator is checking into the costs, but a preliminary cost is between \$15,000 to \$20,000 to update the bathrooms. Motion by Janzen, seconded by Bargaen to approve the City to spend up to \$10,000 of their funds to update the community center bathrooms.  
Motion carried 4- 0.

**Roundtable**

An update was given to the council regarding board and commission meetings.

**City Attorney – Continued**

The meeting was closed due to threatened litigation, attorney-client privilege. The meeting reopened. No action was taken.

**Adjourn**

The meeting was adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Michael Mueller, Administrator/Clerk