

**City of Mountain Lake
Regular City Council Meeting
Mountain Lake City Hall – 930 Third Ave
Monday, May 1, 2023
6:30 p.m.**

Members Present: Andrew Ysker, Dean Janzen, Darla Kruser, Mike Nelson

Members Absent: Bryan Bargaen

City Staff Present: Michael Mueller City Administrator; Maryellen Suhrhoff City Attorney;
Ben McHenry Police Officer

Others Present: Joel Alvstad, Doug Regehr

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nelson at 6:30 p.m.

Approval of Agenda & Consent Agenda

Motion by Janzen, seconded by Ysker to add purchasing a weed harvester and the sunflower to the agenda. Motion carried 3 – 0. Motion by Ysker, seconded by Janzen to approve the agenda and consent agenda as amended. Motion carried 3 – 0.

Bills: Checks #27134 – 27183, 888E – 892E

Payroll: Checks #37322 - 67337

Approve April 13 Utilities Commission Minutes

Approve April 17 City Council Minutes

Approve April Street Department Report – *Daron Friesen, Street Superintendent*

Approve Resolution #12-23 \$10,000 Fire Relief Donation

Public

No comments

Lake Commission

The Lake Commission has recommended to City Council to purchase a weed harvester for \$78,500 from Aquatic Weed Harvester Company. This weed harvester is up and running in good working order, owned by a governmental agency, and only ran for 56 hours. A trailer is included, however, freight to deliver and a conveyor is not included in the purchase price. Motion by Janzen, seconded by Ysker to approve the purchase of the new weed harvester for \$78,500. Motion carried 4 – 0.

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

Discussion/Action – Ordinance #2-23 City Park Hours (1st Reading)

Discussion/Action – Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Position

Discussion/Action – Sunflower

Michael Mueller, City Administrator read the first reading on the proposed ordinance change regarding city park hours, parks would be open from 5:00 A.M to 11:00 P.M., and shall be considered closed after 11:00 P.M.. No person should be in any park between the hours of 11:00 P.M. and 5:00 A.M unless they have written permission from the City Administrator.

There was an internal job posting for the Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, and there was only one applicant, Alyssa Nesmoe. Nesmoe is qualified to take the position, and the City Administrator recommended to Council to offer the position to Nesmoe. Motion by Janzen, seconded by Ysker to offer the position of Deputy Clerk/Treasurer position to Alyssa Nesmoe once Dawn Fast retires. Motion carried 4 – 0.

Cottonwood County approved the repainting of the sunflower on County State-Aid Highway No.27. Councilman Janzen asked who would be liable if there was an accident caused by the paint from the sunflower. Maryellen Suhrhoff City Attorney confirmed the County had the final approval of the sunflower, City Council only made a request, thus any potential liability would be against the County.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 7:02 p.m.

ATTEST:

Michael Mueller, Administrator/Clerk