

**City of Mountain Lake
Regular City Council Meeting
Mountain Lake City Hall – 930 Third Ave
Monday, June 3, 2024
5:45 p.m.**

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

Members Absent: None

City Staff Present: Michael Mueller City Administrator; Maryellen Suhrhoff City Attorney;
Doug Bristol Police Chief; Louis Norell Assistant Police Chief

Others Present: Doug Regehr, Tim Coners

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nelson at 5:45 p.m.

Approval of Agenda & Consent Agenda

Motion by Janzen, seconded by Bargen to approve the agenda and consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

Bills: Checks #28347 – 28395, 1083E – 1086E

Payroll: Checks #68100 – 68116

Approve May 9 Utilities Commission Minutes

Approve May 20 City Council Minutes

Public

No comment

Fire Department

Motion by Kruser, seconded by Bargen to approve the increase in Fire Department Wages.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

Fire Department Wages Shown Below, Effective 1/1/2024

\$20 per meeting/practice

\$20 per responding to call

\$40 per call that covers the first two hours, after two hours \$20 an hour

Police Department

Motion by Janzen, seconded by Kruser to hire Jordan Ellis, Police Officer, Step 10, pending him passing his background, psychological, and medical. Motion carried 5 – 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.

The meeting was closed due to pending litigation.

City Administrator

- Discussion/Action – Resolution #8-24 Unpaid Utility Charges
- Discussion/Action – Resolution #9-24 Tax Forfeited Property
- Discussion/Action – Assessment Policy
- Discussion/Action – Street Project Priorities

Motion by Barga, seconded by Janzen to approve Resolution #8-24 Unpaid Utility Charges. Motion carried 5 – 0.

Motion by Kruser, seconded by Ysker to approve Resolution #9-24 Tax Forfeited Property. Motion carried 5 – 0.

The last approved assessment policy by the City Council was in 2001. Comparable cities assessment policies were reviewed. The City Administrator will bring back to the City Council an updated assessment policy.

Discussion continued from the previous meetings on city street projects. The item was tabled for future discussion until the assessment policy is updated.

Roundtable

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

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:48 p.m.

ATTEST:

Michael Mueller, Administrator/Clerk