

January 9, 2023

The Larchwood City Council met for their Regular Meeting on Monday, January 9, 2023 at 5:30 pm in the Larchwood Community Center. Council members in attendance were: Mike Metzger, Candie Medema, Holly Horstman, Shane Reinke and Tanner Tracy. Mayor Snyder was absent. Others in attendance were: Amy Hildring, Traci Wibeto, Steve Simons, Carla Manning, Austin DeSmet and Sandi DeSmet.

Mayor Pro-tem Metzger called the meeting to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The City received thank you's from the Larchwood Library for the Larchwood Bucks and The Larchwood Community Group for Christmas Lane on Main.

Amy Hildring and Traci Wibeto with the Larchwood Community Group asked the Council for their support to put in an outlet by the Larch tree in front of the Community Center to light up for next year. They would like to know if the City will take over rent for the tent in the park and inflatables on Family Day and purchase extra barricades for the various events. Mike asked them to get a budget together and the Council will look at it at the Budget Workshop.

The Consent Agenda was approved on motion by Reinke, second by Medema. Items on the Consent Agenda were: December 12, 2022 Minutes and Water Heater rebate – 1410 Holder Street.

Tony DeSmet gave his Maintenance Report over the phone: after a week vacation, the rest of the month was spent plowing the streets and sidewalks, repairing equipment and fixing a water leak that figured out to be costing the City 10,000 gallons of water per day. Had issue with some residents putting their snow on the road. Tony will make a list of the problems and give it to the Council for their review.

Resolution 2023-14 Tax Abatement for Dan & Jessica David-1407 Willard Lane was approved on motion by Medema, second by Horstman. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Resolution 2023-15 Naming Security Savings Bank as the Official Depository for the City of Larchwood was approved on motion by Tracy, second by Reinke. Roll call vote: Medema-aye, Tracy-aye, Reinke-aye, Horstman-abstain.

An estimate was received from Dakota Duct Cleaning to clean all ducts in Gym, Library and City hall. American Recovery Funds will be used to fund this. Motion by Medema, second by Tracy to approve the estimate. Roll call vote: all ayes.

Motion by Horstman, second by Tracy to set the date for the Maximum Property Tax Levy Public Hearing for February 13, 2023 at 5:30 pm in the Larchwood Community Center.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 on motion by Tracy, second by Medema. Budget Workshop will be held on January 25, 2023 at 5:30 pm in the Larchwood Community Center.

Sandi DeSmet, City Clerk