

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Library Media Center
412 2nd Street NW, Ortonville, MN
Monday, September 18, 2023
5:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL: Mayor Hausauer called the meeting to order at 5:00 P. M. Roll call was taken with the following present: J. Dorry, Sykora, Berger, Powell and Karels. Absent: T. Dorry. Staff present: Charleen Grossman, Deb Ellingson, Sam Berger, Jesse Roscoe and Scott Huizenga. Media: None. Other: Michelle Bauer, Kari Dorry, Barb Carl, Barret Wicklund, Shane Ayres and Al Ross.

AGENDA AMENDMENTS: Pull: 10.a. and 10.b.

A motion was made by Berger and seconded by Powell and passed unanimously to approve the agenda amendments as presented.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND CORRESPONDENCE:

4.a. Barrett Wicklund-Grant Roberts Ambulance Service

Barrett Wicklund of the Grant Roberts Ambulance Service addressed the council with a formal request to modify their contract. They are requesting an increase from \$57,000 annually to \$81,000 annually. He explained that this would be the first increase since 2016. After some discussion, it was decided to increase the budget by \$24,000 to cover the modifications of the Ortonville Ambulance Service agreement.

4.b. Michelle Bauer and Kari Dorry-Childcare Meeting

Michelle and Kari had attended a Rural Child Care public meeting to hear of families struggling to find childcare in Ortonville. There is a program that is currently underway in Ortonville through the EDA and First Children's finance. They asked the council to help them to encourage people to do daycare and brainstorm any ideas to encourage this great need.

4.c. OAHS FY2024 Budget-Shane Ayres & Al Ross

Berger moved and Powell seconded that the following Resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION 23-92
RESOLUTION APPROVING ORTONVILLE AREA HEALTH SERVICES FY2024
BUDGET

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Ortonville to approve the Ortonville Area Health Services Budget for Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2024 as presented by Shane Ayres, CFO for Ortonville Area Health Services.

Upon roll call vote the following voted Aye: J. Dorry, Sykora, Hausauer, Berger, Powell and Karels. Nay: None.

Resolution 23-92 passed this 18th day of September 2023.

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

Gene Hausauer
Mayor

Charleen Grossman
City Clerk-Administrator

CONSENT AGENDA:

Mayor Hausauer asked if there were any additions, corrections, or deletions to be made to the Consent Agenda:

A motion was made by Karels and seconded by J. Dorry and passed unanimously to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

6.a.*Approve Minutes Regular Council Meeting 9/5/23

A motion was made by Karels and seconded by J. Dorry and passed to approve the council minutes of the 9/5/23 meeting.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

7.a.

ACCEPTANCE OF BOARD AND COMMITTEE MINUTES AND, WHERE NECESSARY, COUNCIL ACTION ON THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS:

8.a.*Golf Board Meeting Minutes 9/12/23

8.a.1. Recommendation of a step increase for a part-time employee per golf course superintendent.

Hausauer moved and Karels seconded that the following Resolution be adopted:

**RESOLUTION 23-93
RESOLUTION APPROVING A WAGE INCREASE FOR A PART-TIME
EMPLOYEE, JONATHAN KILMER TO LEVEL 9 FOR MECHANICAL
SKILLS AT THE GOLF COURSE**

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Ortonville to approve a wage increase for a part-time employee, Jonathan Kilmer to Level 9 because of his mechanical skills at the golf course per golf course superintendent's recommendation and the golf board.

Upon roll call vote the following voted Aye: J. Dorry, Sykora, Hausauer, Berger, Powell and Karels. Nay: None.

Resolution 23-93 passed this 18th day of September 2023.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Gene Hausauer
Mayor

Charleen Grossman
City Clerk-Administrator

8.b.*Park Board Meeting Minutes 9/13/23

8.c.*EDA Meeting Minutes 9/12/23

8.c.1.*Recommendation of changes to Border City Enterprise Zone Tax Credit Policy

STAFF REPORTS:

NEW BUSINESS:

10.a.*Resolution Approving Proposed 2023 Tax Levy Collectible in 2024-\$1,177,457-Meeting December 4, 2023.

Berger moved and J. Dorry seconded that the following Resolution be adopted:

**RESOLUTION 23-94
A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSED 2023 TAX LEVY,
COLLECTIBLE IN 2024**

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Ortonville, County of Big Stone, Minnesota, that the following sums of money are proposed to be levied for the current year, collectible in 2024, upon the taxable property in the City of Ortonville, for the following purposes:

General Fund:	\$803,813
Library:	\$ 92,999
2019 Street Project:	\$118,406
2022 Street Project:	\$ 68,479
Public Safety Building:	<u>\$ 93,760</u>
Total Levy:	\$1,177,457

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED by the Ortonville City Council that a meeting will be held on Monday, December 4, 2023, at 6:00 P.M. in the Library Media Center located at 412 2nd Street NW at which time the budget and levy will be discussed, and public input allowed.

The City Clerk-Administrator is hereby instructed to transmit a certified copy of this Resolution to the County Auditor of Big Stone County, Minnesota.

Upon roll call vote the following voted Aye: J. Dorry, Sykora, Hausauer, Berger, Powell and Karels. Nay: None.

Resolution 23-94 passed this 18th day of September 2023.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Gene Hausauer
Mayor

Charleen Grossman
City Clerk-Administrator

10.b.*Resolution Approving Proposed 2024 Budget-\$2,672,065.00

Karels moved and Berger seconded that the following Resolution be adopted:

RESOLUTION 23-95
RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PROPOSED 2024 BUDGET

WHEREAS, the Property Tax Law requires local governments to adopt and certify to the County Auditor a Proposed Budget by September 30th; and

WHEREAS, the 2024 Proposed City budget, consisting of \$2,672,065.00 in revenues and \$2,672,065.00 in expenditures, is adopted under the provisions of the Property Tax Law; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Ortonville that the City Council does hereby approve the Proposed 2024 Budget as filed in the office of the City Clerk-Administrator.

Upon roll call vote the following voted Aye: J. Dorry, Sykora, Hausauer, Berger, Powell and Karels. Nay: None.

Resolution 23-95 passed this 18th day of September 2023.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Gene Hausauer
Mayor

Charleen Grossman
City Clerk-Administrator

10.c.*Notice of Retirement-Fire Dept.-Jason Mork

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

11.

CONSIDERATION OF BILLS:

12.a. Approve Expenditures-9/18/23

J. Dorry moved and Berger seconded that the following Resolution be adopted:

**RESOLUTION 23-96
RESOLUTION APPROVING EXPENDITURES OF 9/18/23**

BE IT AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED that the expenditures as listed in the Council report and on file at the City Clerk's Office in the amount of \$110,167.21 to be paid.

Upon roll call vote the following voted Aye: J. Dorry, Sykora, Berger, Powell and Karels.
Nay: None: Abstain: Hausauer.

Resolution 23-96 passed this 18th day of September 2023.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Gene Hausauer
Mayor

Charleen Grossman
City Clerk Administrator

NEW ACTIONS:

13.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

14.

ADJOURNMENT:

15. Meeting adjourned at 5:55 P.M.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Gene Hausauer
Mayor

Charleen Grossman
City Clerk Administrator