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October 28, 2024, 7:00 pm Council meeting Zoom meeting for the public 958 684 9882 <u>Minutes</u>

ROLL CALL

Chris Johnson Cally Gallegos Bo Nerlin (zoom)

Bruce Bair Gill Saunders Jessica Hart Jeff Peed Tim Pobirk Cherri Olson Jim Crook Chana Clawson

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA Tim Pobirk made a motion to approve the agenda. Jeff Peed seconded the motion. Motion carried.

3. CONSENT AGENDA

Minutes Jeff wanted the meaning of CTF (conservation trust fund). Jeff made a motion to approve 9/23/24 and 10/7/24 work session minutes. Tim Pobirk seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Disbursements

- **4. ANNOUNCEMENTS** Mayor Johnson announced that November 11th is Veteran's Day. There was discussion on whether attorney Bo Nerlin was available for Monday meetings. He commented that he is available for the 1st Monday but not the 3rd Monday of the month.
- **5. OLD BUSINESS*** NF Senior Connections donation. Wanda Gofforth asked if the town would donate annually to the NF Senior Connections. Jeff Peed made a motion to donate \$500 this year and next. Jessica Hart seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- 6. NEW BUSINESS NF Community Dinners-Jeff Peed made a motion to donate \$500 for the dinners. Jim Crook seconded the motion. Motion carried. Eric Balaire-Gave the council a handout with information on his business The French Revolution Café. He asked for a variance so he could hook his food trailer up to a garden hose on Steve Mock's property. He has containers to catch his "sewer" of which he will haul away & dump in an RV dumping station. Jeff Peed made a motion to grant him the variance to hook up to water with a garden hose for one year. Jessica Hart seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Hiring an interim clerk – Cally Gallegos, town clerk/administrator sent her letter of resignation to the attorney Bo Nerlin on October 11, 2024, her last day would

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be October 31, 2024. Mayor Johnson stated that the number one goal was to keep the town running & by statue the town must have a town clerk. He met with the deputy clerk, Chana Clawson, and she indicated that she was not ready to step into that role. So, there will be an interim clerk position at least through the end of the year. Mayor Johnson contacted Cindy Jones and she provided her resume to the council. Gill Saunders asked Cindy if she will continue with her consulting/accounting/bookkeeping and payroll services that she has been providing since 1997. She confirmed and said it will not interfere with the town clerk's job. Jim Crook asked what the salary would be. Mayor Johnson replied that he and Bo and Cindy had talked, and she would be paid the clerk's salary, with negotiations for a permanent salary at a later date. Cindy will start on Oct 29th and train with Cally for 3 days. Bo will write a contract for Cally to consult. Jim Crook made a motion to hire Cindy as an interim clerk at the clerk's salary. (This would be effective immediately). Motion was seconded by Jessica Hart. Motion carried. Bo stated that Cindy should be sworn in at the next meeting.

7. NON-AGENDA ITEMS The council discussed when to have the next meeting, since the 2nd Monday of November is Veterans Day. Tim Pobirk made a motion to have the next meeting on November 4th, 2024, and Jim Crook seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Cherri Olson stated that it is really dark on the sidewalk in front of the town hall.

Jeff Peed stated he would like the town to have a camera that records at the front desk. Mayor Johnson asked Bruce to check into the cost. Cally stated that we would just need to purchase a Ring subscription to go with the cameras we already have and maybe purchase a couple additional cameras.

8. PUBLIC NON - AGENDA ITEMS

- a. Attorneys report- none
- b. Public Works- Bruce Bair reported that he reduced the flows into town. He took councilman Cherri Olson to see the water system. He has been having meetings regarding the grants. November 5th is the deadline for the loan application. He told Mayor Johnson that he is willing to be the point person. Next year we are required to have tank inspections. They are required every 5 years and cost \$3-\$4,000 to clean & inspect both tanks.
- c. Administrator/Deputy Clerk Cally thanked the people who have supported her over the last 10 years and especially Chana, for taking off as much of a load as she could. She is looking forward to taking a little time off before her next adventure.

Deputy Clerk Chana Clawson clarified the billing procedure. Water bills are due

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- the 20th of the month, late the 21st and shut offs are 10 days after that.
- d. Board Members The only report was from Jeff Peed regarding the library. The manager resigned effective immediately.
- e. Mayor's Report Mayor Johnson thanked Cally & wished her luck at her next adventure.
- 9. POSSIBLE AGENDA ITEMS FOR THE NEXT MEETING 10.ADJOURNMENT 8:50

POSSIBLE ACTION ON ALL AGENDA ITEMS UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED