

The minutes of the Fairmont City Council special meeting held on Wednesday, January 31, 2018 at the City Hall Council Chambers.

Mayor Deborah Foster called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Mayor Deborah Foster, Council Members Ruth Cyphers, Tom Hawkins, Wayne Hasek and Bruce Peters were present. Council Member Jim Zarling was absent. Also in attendance: City Administrator Mike Humpal, Public Works Director/City Engineer Troy Nemmers, Finance Director Paul Hoye, City Attorney Elizabeth W. Bloomquist, City Clerk Patricia J. Monsen and Chief of Police Mike Hunter.

It was moved by Council Member Hawkins to approve the agenda with one minor correction to proposed Ordinance 2018-02. Council Member Cyphers seconded the motion and the motion carried.

It was moved by Council Member Hasek, seconded by Council Member Cyphers and carried to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of January 8, 2018.

During Open Discussion, Heather Klassen introduced herself. Ms. Klassen is running for Minnesota House of Representatives in District 23A.

Mayor Foster proclaimed February 7 – 14, 2018 as Congenital Heart Defect Awareness Week in the City of Fairmont. Rachel and Hailee Greely were present and ten year old Hailee, who was born with a congenital heart defect, spoke.

Mayor Foster proclaimed January 21-27, 2018 as City of Fairmont School Choice Week.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Troy Nemmers and Street and Parks Superintendent Nick Lardy gave a snow removal presentation and answered questions from the council.

Mayor Foster opened the public hearing on proposed **Ordinance 2018-01**, an ordinance amending **Ordinance 2016-01**, relating to the softened water service rates. No public comment was received. Council Member Hawkins made a motion to close the public hearing. Council Member Peters seconded the motion and the motion carried. Council Member Peters made a motion to approve **Ordinance 2018-01**. Council Member Hawkins seconded the motion. On roll call: Council Members Cyphers, Hasek, Hawkins and Peters all voted aye. No one voted nay. Mayor Foster declared said motion passed.

Mayor Foster opened the public hearing on proposed **Resolution 2018-04**, adopting the 2017 amended assessments for Dale and Roxane Wedel. No public comment was received. Council Member Cyphers made a motion to close the public hearing. Council Member Peters seconded the motion and the motion carried. Council Member Peters made a motion to approve **Resolution 2018-04**. Council Member Hawkins seconded the motion. On roll call: Council Members Peters, Cypher, Hasek and Hawkins all voted aye. No one voted nay. Mayor Foster declared said motion passed.

Mayor Foster opened the public hearing on proposed **Resolution 2018-05**, adopting the 2017 amended assessments for Krueger Realty, Inc. No public comment was received. Council Member Hawkins made a motion to close the public hearing. Council Member Hasek seconded

the motion and the motion carried. Council Member Peters made a motion to approve **Resolution 2018-05**. Council Member Cyphers seconded the motion. On roll call: Council Members Cypher, Hasek, Hawkins and Peters all voted aye. No one voted nay. Mayor Foster declared said motion passed.

Hoye presented the December 31, 2017 Investment Report.

Council Member Hawkins made a motion to approve **Resolution 2018-06**, approving the Application and Agreement for the Special Assessment Deferral for Dale and Roxane Wedel. Council Member Cyphers seconded the motion. On roll call: Council Members Cyphers, Hasek, Hawkins and Peters all voted aye. No one voted nay. Mayor Foster declared said motion passed.

Council Member Peters made a motion to approve **Resolution 2018-07**, declaring that Dustin Schwebke meets all the Police and Fire Plan membership requirements. Council Member Hawkins seconded the motion. On roll call: Council Members Hasek, Hawkins, Peters and Cyphers all voted aye. No one voted nay. Mayor Foster declared said motion passed.

Council Member Peters made a motion to schedule a public hearing on proposed **Ordinances 2018-02, 2018-03, 2018-04, 2018-05, 2018-06, 2018-07, 2018-08, 2018-09 and 2018-10** for February 12, 2018 at 5:30 in the City Hall Council Chambers. Council Member Hawkins seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Council Member Hasek made a motion to pay the bills for the month of January 2018 in the amount of \$1,240,783.98. Council Member Hawkins seconded the motion and the motion carried.

Council Members Peters and Hawkins are Liaison for the Fairmont Economic Development Authority. Council Member Peters gave an update on the 2018-2021 Strategic Plan.

Council Member Cyphers stated that her and Council Member Hawkins attended the 2018 Leadership Conference and thanked the City for allowing them to attend.

Council Member Cyphers stated that she is on the Airport Advisory Board and they are working on the new hanger project. Cyphers also wanted to thank Dennis Turner for his eight plus years serving on the Airport Advisory Board.

Council Member Cyphers is also on the trail committee and invited anyone who is interested to come join the committee.

Council Member Hawkins also thanked the City for allowing him to attend the Leadership Conference.

Mayor Foster stated that in 2018, the City will be holding four community listening meetings, one in each ward. The first is planned for March 17, 2018 and will be held in Ward 4 at the Knights of Columbus from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. There will be a presentation by Megan Boeck regarding City Code violations. More information will be coming regarding these meetings.

A motion was made by Council Member Peters, seconded by Council Member Cyphers and carried to adjourn the meeting at 6:56 p.m.

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Deborah J. Foster  
Mayor

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Patricia J. Monsen, City Clerk