

**MINUTES
CITY OF LEXINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 16, 2023– 7:00 P.M.
9180 LEXINGTON AVENUE**

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. CALL TO ORDER: – Mayor Grote

- A. Roll Call - Council Members: DeVries, Harris, Winge and Benson

Mayor Grote called to order the regular City Council meeting for March 16, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember's present: Benson, Devries, Harris, and Winge. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Chris Galiov, Finance Director; Kurt Glaser, City Attorney; Erik Edwards, Fire Chief; Mike Mohler, Assistant Fire Chief; Travis Schmid, Public Works.

3. CITIZENS FORUM

No citizens were present to discuss items not on the agenda

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS

Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve the agenda with the removal of closed session item to discuss personnel issues. Councilmember Winge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0

5. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Centennial Lakes Police Department Media Reports 2-22 through 3-7, 2023
B. City Report – February 2023
C. North Metro TV – February 2023 Update
D. Minnesota Pollution Control Agency – Completion of Corrective Actions

No discussion on Letters and Communications.

2. CONSENT ITEMS:

- A. Recommendation to Approve Council Minutes:
Council Meeting – March 2, 2023
- B. Recommendation to Approve Claims and Bills:
Check #'s 50036 through 50087
Check #'s 14676 through 14691
- C. Financial Reports
- Cash Balances
 - Fund Summary – Budget to Actual

Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Councilmember Winge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

3. ACTION ITEMS:

- A. Recommendation to Approve Purchase of Public Works Replacement Tractor/Lawn Mower – John Deere 1585 Terrain Cut and Accessories in the Amount of \$52,480.58

Councilmember Harris made a motion to Approve Purchase of Public Works Replacement Tractor/Lawn Mower – John Deere 1585 Terrain Cut and Accessories in the Amount of \$52,480.58. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

- B. Recommendation to Approve Lexington Fire Department’s Request to Hire/Promote Lieutenant Mike Mohler to Assistant Fire Chief at \$6,200.00 Annual Salary

Fire Chief Edwards introduced Mike Mohler and provided a brief background on his fire experience.

Councilmember Winge made a motion to Approve Lexington Fire Department’s Request to Hire/Promote Lieutenant Mike Mohler to Assistant Fire Chief at \$6,200.00 Annual Salary. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

- C. Recommendation to Approve Temporary Business License

Councilmember Harris made a motion to Approve Temporary Business License for Renaissance Fireworks. Councilmember Winge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

- D. Recommendation to Approve Solicitor/Peddler License – Renewal by Anderson – pending successful background checks

Councilmember Harris made a motion to Approve Solicitor/Peddler License – Renewal by Anderson – pending successful background checks. Councilmember Winge seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

4. MAYOR AND COUNCIL INPUT

Councilmember Devries discussed the potholes on Griggs Ave. / South Highway Drive intersection. Discussion ensued.

Petracek stated he will be on vacation from March 23rd-March 28th

5. CLOSED SESSION

- This portion of the meeting is closed pursuant to Minnesota Statute Section 13D.05, subdivision 3(b), and is permitted by the attorney-client privilege to discuss the pending litigation versus the City of Blaine regarding the interconnected water and sewer systems.

Attorney Glaser provided an explanation for the need to go into closed session.

Councilmember Devries made a motion to go into closed session at 7:17 pm pursuant to Minnesota Statute Section 13D.05, subdivision 3(b), and is permitted by the attorney-client privilege to discuss the pending litigation versus the City of Blaine regarding the interconnected water and sewer systems. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

Councilmember Devries made a motion to reconvene into open session at 7:39 pm. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

6. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Winge made motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:39 p.m. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

NO WORKSHOP ITEMS