

**MINUTES
CITY OF LEXINGTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 7, 2024 – 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 7, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. Councilmember's present: Benson, Devries, and Harris. Excused Absence: Winge. Also Present: Bill Petracek, City Administrator; Chris Galiov, Finance Director; Quad Press Reporter.

3. CITIZENS FORUM

No citizens were present to discuss items not on the agenda.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA WITH CHANGES AND CORRECTIONS

Councilmember Benson made a motion to approve the agenda as typewritten. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

5. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS:

- A. Airport (Councilmember Devries) – *Councilmember Devries stated the next meeting is April 4th*
- B. Cable Commission (Councilmember Winge) *Quarterly meetings – No report*
- C. City Administrator (Bill Petracek)

Petracek stated that Matt Bitutguek has accepted a full-time position with the City of Coon Rapids Public Works Department. Petracek stated that we will be having a discussion about the summer and part-time employee at budget time about making it a full-time position. Petracek stated it is extremely difficult to recruit these two positions.

Petracek also added that the police operations committee is at an impasse with the Police Captain's union and it will be going to mediation. Discussion ensued.

6. LETTERS AND COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. Centennial Lakes Police Department Media Reports 2-7 through 2-20-2024
- B. Council Workshop Synopsis – February 15, 2024
- C. Planning & Zoning meeting minutes – February 13, 2024

No discussion on Letters and Communications

7. CONSENT ITEMS:

- A. Recommendation to Approve Council Minutes:
Council Meeting – February 15, 2024
- B. Recommendation to Approve Claims and Bills:
Check #'s 51302 through 51354
Check #'s 15113 through 15123

Councilmember Devries made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Councilmember Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

8. ACTION ITEMS:

- A. NONE

9. MAYOR AND COUNCIL INPUT

Councilmember Benson thanked Lexington for coming out to vote for the Presidential Nomination Election. He also congratulated Centennial Hockey on a great season. Discussion ensued.

Councilmember Harris asked about the landscaping on the fire hydrants. Petracek stated public works is going to be following up on it this spring.

Mayor Grote asked about the graffiti in Memorial Park. Petracek stated that the graffiti has been taken care of, but you can still see it very faintly.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Benson made motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:06 p.m. Councilmember Devries seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.