



City Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, August 5, 2024 7:00 PM

Cologne Community Center, 1211 Village Parkway

Vision Statement

The City of Cologne is a vibrant small town that respects its heritage, embraces its future and offers a high quality of life for all who live, work and visit our community.

Mayor: Matt Lein

Councilmember: Sarah Bruss

Councilmember: Nathan Kells

Councilmember: Maria Samuelson

Councilmember: Carol Szaroletta

NOTE: AGENDA ITEMS ARE APPROXIMATE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE ACCORDING TO LENGTH OF DISCUSSION. TO ENSURE THAT YOU ARE PRESENT FOR ITEMS OF INTEREST, PLEASE ARRIVE AT 7:00 PM.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mayor Lein called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. Councilmembers Bruss, Samuelson and Szaroletta were present. Also present was City Administrator Michelle Morrison. Councilmember Kells was absent.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Bruss to adopt the agenda, second by Councilmember Samuelson. Motion carried 4-0.

4. VISITOR'S PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, CORRESPONDENCE

5. ADOPT CONSENT AGENDA

Items listed below are considered routine and non-controversial by the Council. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless requested by a Councilmember, Staff or Citizen. If removed, the item will be discussed at the end of the regular agenda.

- a. **July 15, 2024 City Council Minutes**
- b. **Accounts Payable from July 16, 2024**
- c. **July 30th, 2024 Payroll Summary**
- d. **Res No 24-26 Accepting Donation(s)**

After discussion, Councilmember Bruss made a motion to approve the consent agenda, second by Councilmember Szaroletta. Motion carried 4-0.

6. NEW COUNCIL BUSINESS

a. Aaron Nielsen Lacrosse Net Discussion

Cologne resident Aaron Nielsen introduced his son Maddex who talked to the Council about the growth of sport and the interest among the youth of Cologne in playing the sport. He shared the field dimensions required, and that Village Park would make a great spot to play. Nets are available for around \$200. After discussion Councilmember Bruss made a motion authorizing city staff to purchase two Lacrosse nets for Village Park, second by Councilmember Szaroletta. Motion carried 4-0.

b. Approve an Ordinance Amending the City Code Related to Chickens

Administrator Morrison shared with council that no changes were made to the draft that was reviewed at the last council meeting. The ordinance becomes effective once published. Motion by Councilmember Bruss to approve an Ordinance Amending the City Code Related to Chickens, second by Councilmember Samuelson. Motion carried 4-0.

c. Resolution 24-27 Ordering Correction of Nuisance or Razing a Hazardous Building

Administrator Morrison informed Council that on July 26th she met City Building Inspector Mike Rosenau, Fire Chief Vos, and Representatives from Carver County to deliver notice to the residents at 111 John Ave that the City had ordered an inspection of the property to protect the health and safety of the public. After signing the consent, the inspection was completed. As a result of the inspection, Metro West determined that the property was dangerous for Human occupancy. Attorney Morschen reviewed the proposed Resolution and timelines proposed along with next steps. After discussion, Councilmember Szaroletta made a motion to approve Resolution 24-27 Ordering Correction of Nuisance or Razing a Hazardous Building, second by Councilmember Bruss. Motion carried 4-0

7. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- a. **Administrator Update**
- b. **Council / Mayor Reports**

i. Mayor Lein

8. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

9. ADJOURN

Motion by Councilmember Szaroletta to adjourn at 7:30 PM, second by Councilmember Bruss. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Attest:


Michelle Morrison

City Administrator


Matt Lein

Mayor

