

City Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 3, 2025 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:

Jeri Bowers

Councilmember:

Selmer Olson

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 Bowers, Bruss, Olson and Szaroletta were present. Also present was City Administrator Michelle Morrison.

- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
- 3. ADOPT AGENDA

Motion by Councilmember Bruss to adopt the agenda, second by Councilmember Bowers. Motion carried unanimously.

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. October 20th, 2025 City Council Minutes
- b. Accounts Payable from October 21st, 2025
- c. November 4th, 2025 Payroll Summary

After discussion, Councilmember Szaroletta made a motion to adopt the consent agenda, second by Councilmember Bruss. Motion carried unanimously.

6. NEW COUNCIL BUSINESS

a. New Fund Discussion and Capital Improvement Contributions

Administrator Morrison reviewed her memo to the Council concerning the auditor's recommendation to create two new funds specifically for Fire Department Capital Improvements and City Capital Improvements. Discussion was had about how to allocate the current budgeted allocation for the capital improvement plan not that it will be allocated to two different funds. The direction given was to move forward with an 80/20 split with 80% going to the City and 20% going to Fire. No action needed to be taken as a resolution will be presented at a future meeting for official adoption.

7. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- a. Administrator Update
- b. Council / Mayor Reports
- 8. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA
- 9. ADJOURN

Motion by Councilmember Olson to adjourn at 7:30 PM, second by Councilmember Bowers. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Attest:

Wildright Wildright

Mayor

Matt Lein

City Administrator/City Clerk