



City Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, November 15, 2021 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: Carol Szaroletta
Councilmember: Sarah Bruss
Councilmember: Rachel Lenzen
Councilmember: Nathan Kells

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 Kells, and Szaroletta were present. Also present were City Administrator - Jesse Dickson and City Clerk Michelle Morrison. Councilmember Bruss and Lenzen were absent.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ADOPT AGENDA

Mayor Lein asked that item e. 2022 prosecution contract be moved from the consent agenda to New Council Business. Motion by Councilmember Kells to adopt the agenda with changes as noted, second by Councilmember Szaroletta. Motion carried 3-0.

4. VISITOR'S PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, CORRESPONDENCE

Betsy Pysick informed the council that plans are moving forward for Christmas in the Park on December 11 at City Square Park. Santa and Mrs. Clause will be in attendance, and they would like permission to use the Fire Barn to set up for food. The council said they had no objections, and that Betsy should work directly with Brian Vos in making the arrangements.

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. **November 1, 2021 City Council Minutes**
- b. **November 15, 2021 Check Summary Register**
- c. **November 9, 2021 Payroll Summary**
- d. **Resolution 21-23 Accepting Donation**
- e. **2022 Police Contract**
- f. **2020 Street & Utilities Pay Request #11**
- g. **Market Lane Pay Request #1**
- h. **2022 LMCIT Liability Waiver Form**

Motion by Councilmember Szaroletta to adopt the consent agenda, second by Councilmember Kells. Motion carried 3-0.

6. OLD COUNCIL BUSINESS

7. NEW COUNCIL BUSINESS

a. Chief Nick Joos, Cologne Fire Department

1. Probationary Status Graduation for New Members

Chief Joos explained the training process that new recruits go through and read the core values of the Cologne Fire Department. The three new members, Adam LeMeiux, Gary Myers and Russ Storms were then sworn in, had their badges pinned on by a family member and received their helmets from Mayor Lein.

b. 2022 Prosecution Contract

Administrator Dickson advised that Carver County will be deciding on whether they will prosecute Dwayne Otto on behalf of the city by the end of the month. The city attorney believes the current language in the prosecution contract would require them to provide that service. Staff recommends waiting pm approving the prosecution contract until resolution is reached on the pending Otto case.

8. BOARD REPORTS

- a. **October Sheriff's Report**
- b. **Outstanding Invoices**

Administrator Dickson informed the council that there are outstanding invoices over 80 days old due from Jensen Concrete for costs related to the amending of the interim use permit for 218 Lake St W and that condition 18 of the resolution states that the applicant must reimburse the City for all costs incurred. Council directed Administrator Dickson to take measures to collect the outstanding balance and keep the Council updated on any need to revoke the interim use permit.

9. ANNOUNCEMENTS


10. ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

11. ADJOURN


Motion by Councilmember Szaroletta to adjourn at 7:28 PM, second by Councilmember Kells. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted:

Attest:



Michelle M Morrison
City Clerk



Matt Lein
Mayor