



## City Council Meeting Minutes

Monday, May 1, 2023 7:00 PM

Cologne Community Center, 1211 Village Parkway

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### 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

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

### **2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **3. ADOPT AGENDA**

Mayor Lein asked to amend the agenda to add Roger Storms under New Business. Motion by Councilmember Szaroletta made a motion to adopt the agenda as amended, second by Councilmember Bruss. Motion carried 3-0.

### **4. VISITOR'S PRESENTATIONS, PETITIONS, CORRESPONDENCE**

Carver County Commissioner John Fahey was present to provide an update to the City Council on happenings in Carver County including receiving a \$10 million USDOT grant

to expand Highway 212 from Cologne to Norwood Young America, a 17.4% population increase in 2022 making Carver County the fastest growing County in the state with current population of 112,000 and an expected growth to 160,000 by 2040.

#### 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. April 17, 2023 City Council Minutes
- b. April 17, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes
- c. May 1, 2023 Check and EFT Summary
- d. April 25, 2023 Payroll Summary
- e. Suburban Waste Haulers Annual License Application
- f. Glad Days Temporary Liquor License Application
- g. Lions Club Temporary Liquor License Application
- h. St Bernard's Gambling Permit Application
- i. Resolution 23-09 Approving Seasonal Worker
- j. Cologne Newsletter SHIP Grant Application & Agreement

Motion by Councilmember Szaroletta to approve the consent agenda, second by Councilmember Bruss. Motion carried 3-0.

#### 6. NEW COUNCIL BUSINESS

Roger Storms provided an update on his efforts to add a community garden behind the public works building on Louis St. He had received an estimate from Henning Excavating to provide a water line to the location and is looking into fund raising from local groups to cover the labor costs, Administrator Dickson will investigate securing SHIP Grant funds from the County for the material cost in the bid. Future improvements in the area could include taking down the antenna located on the parcel, maintaining the fencing, and locating beehives in the fenced area. The Council gave their consent to allow Mr. Storms to bring in compost and begin tilling the area.

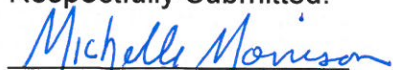
#### 7. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Administrator Dickson advised the council that an open house is scheduled for May 17 at STARS Learning Academy.

#### 8. ADJOURN


Motion by Councilmember Szaroletta to adjourn at 7:45 PM, second by Councilmember Bruss. Motion carried 3-0.

Respectfully Submitted:

  
Michelle Morrison

City Clerk

Attest:

  
Matt Lein

Mayor