

Trimont City Council Minutes

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular meeting was duly held at the Trimont Community Building on the 17th day of March 2025 at 5:30 o'clock P.M.

The following members were present: Council Member Bradford Flohrs, Council Member Ronald Shade, Council Member Justin Lubben, Council Member Brian Krumwiede, Mayor Kevin Kuehl

Mayor Kevin Kuehl presided over the meeting.

Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Community Comments:

None

Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade, and motion to approve Agenda. 5-0

Motion made by Council Member Ronald Shade, seconded by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, and motion to approve Minutes February 18th Regular meeting, March 4th Special Meeting, as printed. 5-0

Water/ Sewer Committee Update:

We had our voices heard with Representative Finstad and participated in a Teamview meeting with Senator Webber this past week. Our district representative Marj Fogelson is introducing a bonding bill asking for 16.2 million dollars to go towards our pond project.

Public Works Report:

Discussion on the trash pump bids. The one from DSG is turnkey and ready to go. The bid from Beemer's would require additional hoses. Discussion on Ryan to take his class D water test on June 25. Jason passed his class C water test. This makes him 100% licensed to run our water plant. Need the Wacker pump at the waste plant to be rebuilt. Discussion on the service line on Birch St. A new service line was put in and connected to our system. Would like to have Rosberg's cap the old line at the street. Discussion also took place regarding electrical work in the fire hall for the new heaters. We had to have Jetter Clean here to clean out some build up between the detention tank and the filter. At sometime we will need to replace the 45-degree pipes. **Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben and motion to approve purchase of 6" trash pump from DSG for \$8223.00. 5-0 Motion made by Council Member Justin Lubben, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade and motion to approve Rayan Geistfeld to test for class D water test on June 25. 5-0 Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade and motion to approve Rosberg's to cap Birch St E old sewer connection at the street for \$800. 5-0 Mayor Kuehl abstaining. Discussion on electrical bids for heaters at the fire hall. Motion made by Council Member Ronald Shade, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, and motion died for lack of unanimous vote 2-2 N: Justin Lubben, Bradford Flohrs Council tabled**

Police Report:

DARE program is going well. Discussion on I Crime Fighter. It costs \$700 a year and proves the service of pictures taken during an investigation can be sent directly to the county attorney secure. Waiting for the new tazer to arrive. Looking into having the Sheriff's department for dedicated coverage when Chief is not on duty for PTO.

Clerk Report:

The farmers market will start the first week of June and be on Wednesday this year. Included with the report is the letter from the attorney about public buildings and email from the insurance company. Council members are not employees of the city and not covered by work comp insurance and need a city staff member with them if they want to go into areas of buildings that are not open to the public. Clerk will send out the work form to fill out if you have any maintenance that needs to be done. Discussion on the Berkley Bond at Edward Jones. **Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shadee, and motion to approve cashing out Berkley Bond with Edward Jones, transfer to a CD at local bank with highest interest rate. 5-0** One item that came up in the audit is a couple paychecks that were not cashed from 2021. Clerk will begin the process of getting a claim into the Commissioner of Commerce. The 4M account will now be reconciled as a bank account instead of doing journal entries to reconcile it better. Clerk was notified on Friday that our website contract needs to be renewed by April 1st. Discussion on our options of different companies. The new one offers ADA compliance, being able to use our own pictures and a free notification system. **Motion made by Council Member Ronald Shade, to stay with current web company. Motion Withdrawn.** Further discussion. **Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben, and motion to approve switching to new website company. 5-0** Council Member Shade asking if we can only bill out what Medicare will pay to not have a big write off at the end of the year.

Fire and Ambulance Report:

The pumper truck is back in service.

Park Bench:

Discussion on the two bids for a park bench for the donations received for the new park equipment. **Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade, and motion to approve Hansen Welding bid for \$1000. 5-0**

Resolution 2025-03:

Listing the approved automated clearing house payments. **Motion made by Council Member Ronald Shade, seconded by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, and motion to approve resolution 2025-03 authorizing ACH payments as listed. 5-0**

Chicken Permits:

Discussion on applications. Two applications came in 41 Apple St W and 131 Beech St E. **Motion made by Council Member Ronald Shade, seconded by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, and motion to approve both chicken permits. 4-0 Abstaining Council Member Justin Lubben**

Apple St Clean up:

Discussion on the 331 Apple St W clean up bid and what would like to be listed in the ad for work done.

City Wide Cleanup:

Options were discussed about what type of cleanup the city is wanting to do. Curbside, Rolloff's and how to save some money for the city. Maybe have a fee for curbside pickup. We will have curbside pickup, date to be determined.

Consent Agenda:

Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade, and motion to approve consent agenda. 5-0

Approve financials statements from February 2025

Approval of Bank Reconciliation

Approval of paying the following bills

February Bills

AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	\$389.49	
AUTOMATIC SYSTEMS CO.	\$1,178.33	65ft cable for submersible transducer
BADGER METER	\$342.02	
BEVCOMM, INC	\$648.57	
BORNTRAGER AUTO BODY & TOWING	\$839.85	battery - pumper
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	\$136.49	
CENEX FLEET FUELING	\$444.77	
DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP	\$867.65	4" suoolies
DHI	\$1,483.00	
FAIRMONT AWARDS MFG., INC	\$20.00	embroidery
FARMERS STATE BANK	\$52,337.24	to 4M acct for ambulance
GALL S, INC.	\$130.14	brass name plates
GOPHER STATE ONE CALL, IN	\$12.15	
HAWKINS WATER TREATMENT GROUP,	\$30.00	
HEARTLAND TIRE	\$129.00	alignment on squad
HOMETOWN BILLING	\$265.26	
IBEW LOCAL UNION 160	\$252.02	

ICRIMEFIGHTER	\$175.00	
JACOB EBELING	\$156.80	224 miles
JASON BECKER	\$243.14	321 miles for water test & meals
JON AURINGER	\$133.61	uniform allowance
KUEHL S ELECTRIC INC.	\$700.00	
KUEHL S ELECTRIC INC.	\$170.04	Phase Monitor
MAXWELL EUGENE LONGLEY	\$2,200.00	
MINN. DEPT OF HEALTH	\$25.00	Jason Class C lic
MINN. DEPT OF HEALTH	\$826.00	
MINNESOTA ENERGY	\$1,744.54	
MN RURAL WATER ASSOCIATION	\$350.00	2025 membership
MOORE AND ACE INC.	\$95.04	
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC.	\$5,395.58	new radio - police
MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC.	\$235.22	new radio parts
NCI	\$7,188.48	pumper truck
NUWAY COOPERATIVE	\$1,406.27	
PAULSON HEATING & COOLING	\$6,590.00	2nd 1/2 fire hall heater
RIVER BEND BUSINESS	\$8.93	
ROSBURG CONSTRUCTION	\$5,821.89	watermain repairs on Birch & 2nd Ave SW
ROSBURG CONSTRUCTION	\$3,000.00	Apple St Repair
SOUTH CENTRAL ELECTRIC ASSN	\$4,877.39	
TACTICAL SOLUTIONS	\$40.00	radar certification
UC LABORATORY	\$857.38	
USA BLUE BOOK	\$224.34	Hydrant flusher
WESTRUM LEAK DETECTION	\$700.00	leak detection

Other Business:

Council Member Lubben had concerns about work done on the drudge ditch. What was agreed on might not have been completely done, going to investigate that more. Council Member Krumwiede would like the employee calendar. Council Member Shade has a concern that we don't have a generator for the fire hall that

has our emergency siren and to open the hall doors to get emergency vehicles out during a power outage. Council Member Flohrs thanked Dave Lubben for helping public works during the last snowstorm.

Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade.

Motion carried. To adjourn meeting. 5-0

7:20 pm

Signed, Kevin Kuehl, Mayor

Attest: Kelli Harder, City Clerk/ Treasurer