# **Trimont City Council Minutes**

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular meeting was duly held at the Trimont Community Building on the 21st day of July 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:**

Nikki Indergaard, questions on citywide clean up and the \$1.50 and \$5.00 charges on our utility bills. Lois Schultz, concern for why we are charging \$30 for curbside pickup.

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 Justin Lubben, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, and motion to approve minutes June 16<sup>th</sup> Regular Meeting, 5-0

#### Fire Relief:

A year ago, the relief association switched to the PERA retirement fund. With that comes the need for updating the By-Laws. Question arises with the trustee members and money marked for the ambulance in the relief account. Mayor read the email from city attorney with some requirements by the state statue that needs to be in the By-Laws. Requesting the Relief works with the league to update the By-Laws.

# Ambulance Report:

Would like to update the By-Laws for the ambulance. They would like to add another Assistance Director to help relieve the Director and Assistant Director now. Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben, and motion to have Council Member Ronald Shade work with Ambulance Department and Fire Relief to get rules and regulations updated, 5-0

#### Fire Report:

Purchased two pagers. One for a broken fire fighter and the other for a new EMT. Looking at the Jr Fire Fighter guidelines. The pumper truck was sent to NCI as the pump and emergency lights were not working again. Repairs on the fill system are hoping to be completed by next month. Discussion on chairs and table usage. Suggested that we have a written policy.

#### Public Works Report:

Would like to have a PW employee take the Wastewater license test in September and the other in January 2026. Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben, and motion to approve a public works employee to take license test in September and one January 2026. 5-0 Thank Ean Sinn for painting the gazebo and decking at Memorial Park. Ryan passed his D Water License test.

Public Hearing: Rural Service District

Open at 6:17 pm

Mayor explained what Rural Service District is and that the council is lowering tax rate to 30% from 36%.

Opened the floor to any comments. None where spoken.

Closed Hearing at 6:18 pm

# Clerk Report:

341 Apple St E is all done and cleaned up. Curbside clean up mailing went out to residents. Received a bill from a citizen that they would like the city to pay for.

# Ordinance 2025-02:

Introduction and reading of the ordinance.

#### Town Center:

Discussion on the renewal of the Promissory Note with the Town Center. Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade, and motion to approve the renewal of the promissory note with the Town Center for 5 years at 0%. 5-0

# Ballfield:

Update on the progress of the ball field. They would like to have the electricity turned on so they can look better into what it might cost to update the lighting. Motion made by Council Member Ronald Shade, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben, and motion to approve the electricity to be turned on at the ballfield for 2 months. 5-0

# Zoning Permits:

321 Beech St E. – pool - Motion made by Council Member Justin Lubben, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, and motion to approve zoning permit for pool. 5-0

80 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave NW - Fence - **Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Bradford Florhs, and motion to approve zoning permit for fence.** 5-0

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m Birch~St~E-deck}$  and fence - Motion made by Council Member Justin Lubben, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade, and motion to approve zoning permit for deck and fence. 5-0

#### Tree Bids:

Review of tree bids. We had seven come in. Johnson \$41,000, Affordable \$54,100, L and S \$75,000, Rosburg \$19,500, Peschges \$34,770, Snyder \$44,800, Nomen \$47,600. Motion made by Council Member Justin Lubben, seconded by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, and motion to approve Rosburg Construction bid for \$19,500 to be done by September 1, 2025 5-0

# Class B Operator Bid:

Review of bids. We had 3 come in. Brown \$2200 plus expenses and after hours charges, Powers \$1950, Longley \$1500. Motion made by Council Member Justin Lubben, seconded by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, and motion to approve Max Longley bid for \$1500 a month. 5-0

# Playground:

Discussion on sidewalk and benches. Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben, a motion was made for sidewalk up to and along south side of playground, Table the vote. Motion made by Council Member Ronald Shade, seconded by Council Member Kevin Kuehl, and motion to table playground sidewalk motion 5-0

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### Resolution 2025-09 Contribution:

Contribution of \$5000 from an anonymous person. Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade, and motion to approve contribution for \$5000 for removal of trees in the boulevard. 5-0

# Spraying for Bugs:

Sundaes in the park would like help with paying for half the spraying for bugs in Memorial Park for the Sundaes in the Park events. Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade, and motion to approve paying for half the spraying at Memorial Park for bugs up to \$400. 5-0

#### LMCIT:

Discussion on continuation of services with the collaboration. Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben, and motion to approve continuation of services with the collaboration. 5-0

# Consent Agenda:

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

# Approval of paying the following bills

# June Bills

ALEX AIR APPARATUS 2 LLC	\$381.00	SCBA Glasses kit
AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	\$40.13	
B&D REPAIR	\$13.19	Bracket for pump on Toolcat
BADGER METER	\$342.02	
BEVCOMM, INC	\$676.06	
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	\$294.94	
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	\$1,048.96	
CENEX FLEET FUELING	\$538.82	
CRYSTAL VALLEY COOP	\$12,500.00	2025 Tax abatement payment Crystal Valley
DIAMOND VOGEL PAINTS	\$2,084.96	Curb paint
DYLAN PAULSON	\$110.00	reimb for RX Glasses
FLASC	\$2,000.00	updates to ballfield
FULLER EXCAVATION	\$1,500.00	341 Apple St E property clean up

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GOPHER STATE ONE CALL, IN	\$10.80	
HAWKINS WATER TREATMENT GROUP,	\$2,651.64	
HOMETOWN BILLING	\$297.07	
IBEW LOCAL UNION 160	\$252.02	
INDOFF INC.	\$132.08	Letterhead
JEFFERSON FIRE & SAFETY	\$389.47	Asst Chief Helmet
JEFFERSON FIRE & SAFETY	\$90.86	Grass Rig Nozzle
LEAGUE OF MINN. CITIES IN	\$11,801.00	
MARTIN COUNTY SHERIFF	\$1,225.00	FunFest coverage
MARTIN COUNTY STAR	\$94.50	Tree Bid
MARTIN COUNTY STAR	\$308.00	Class B Operator Bid
MAXWELL EUGENE LONGLEY	\$2,200.00	May
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MAYO CLINIC AMBULANCE SERVICE	\$340.00	
MCFOA TREASURER	\$95.00	MCMC Certificate
MINN. DEPT OF HEALTH	\$23.00	Ryan Class D Water
MINNESOTA ENERGY	\$257.80	
MINNESOTA POLLUTION CONTR	\$1,450.00	Permit Fee - Waste Water
MN ASSN. OF SMALL CITIES	\$465.50	2025-2026 Dues
MOORE AND ACE INC.	\$318.72	
NORTH CENTRAL LABORATORIE	\$122.99	
NORTHVIEW BANK	\$4,052.00	Intrest payment
ROGERS TWO WAY RADIO INC.	\$1,258.00	
ROSBURG CONSTRUCTION	\$3,589.57	Beech St W - Storm Sewer
ROSBURG CONSTRUCTION	\$2,500.00	Dig up around Well #4
SARAH GWIN	\$60.00	May - June cleaning
SITZMANN LAWN & LANDSCAPE	\$400.00	FunFest Bug Spray
SOUTH CENTRAL ELECTRIC ASSN	\$6,083.68	
SOUTHERN MINNESOTA MECHANICAL	\$65.00	
THEIN WELL	\$3,307.50	Replace discharge Toe - Well #4

UC LABORATORY	\$1,104.66	
ULINE	\$76.50	Paper towels
VIA ACTUARIAL SOLUTIONS	\$1,200.00	GASB - FYE 2024

#### Other Business:

Discussion on the \$1.50 and the \$5.00 charge on utility bill and where the money goes. There will be a few ash trees that will be treated with a trial treatment, at no cost to the city. Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade. Motion carried, to approve a few ash trees to be treated at no cost to the city. 5-0 The drains on Hwy 4 will be replaced. Streetlight will be put in across from the school on Beech St. Checking on the right of way at Nuway as that ditch floods. Also checking the alley between Ash & Birch St.

Motion made by Council Member Ronald Scarried. To adjourn meeting. 5-0 8:16 pm	Shade, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben. Motion
Kevin Kuehl, Mayor	_
Attest: Kelli Harder, City Clerk/ Treasurer	