Trimont City Council Minutes

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular meeting was duly held at the Trimont Community Building on the 15th day of September 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:

Jon Holtz questioned how and why the collaboration was cancelled.

Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben, and motion to approve Agenda with additions. 5-0

Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade, and motion to approve minutes August 18, 2025 Regular Meeting, 5-0

Public Works:

Thursday they will be boring in the new line under the driveway at 131 Main St E. that got damaged. Discussion on the water tower report and the potential cost has not come in yet on getting the OSHA items fixed. Trying to get the shut off valve fixed down at Anderson Park before the end of this year.

Clerk Report:

Payment from the Town Center was received. 341 Apple St E is all cleaned up and has been evaluated for a selling price from the realtor. The fire wall for our internet protection is expiring. The congressional spending will be proposing one million towards our infrastructure project. There is a slide at Anderson Park that is broken. Needing directions on the councils' wishes on MN Paid Leave and percent that they will be paying for. Also, would the council like to decide on installing new overhead doors or a generator at the Fire Hall. Working on bond council and a financial advisor for the infrastructure project. Need approval of the cultural resource report. Would like consideration of having a professional company that specializes in codification to clean up our ordinance book. Bo wanted to let the council know that he does give the city a discounted labor price for the betterment of the community. Tree update, the trees are cut down and Rosburg is starting on grinding the stumps now. The list of round two is getting made up for them to determine cost. Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, and motion to approve Bevcomm to install new firewall. 5-0 Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, and motion to approve 341 Apple St E to be put on the market at \$3500. 5-0 Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade, and motion to approve the city to pay 50% of MN Paid Leave premium. 5-0 Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben, and motion to approve to public advertisement for bids for overhead doors at the Fire Hall, to include openers, photo eyes and external antenna, open at the next meeting, 5-0 Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben, and motion to approve Cultural Resources Report to be done, 5-0 Motion made by Council Member Brain Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade, Table codification, 5-0 Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, and motion to set TNT

Public Hearing for December 15, 2025 at 6:00pm. 5-0 Council member Bradford Flohrs wanted to Thank Bo for giving the City a discount. Mayor Kuehl also said Thank You and Council Member Krumwiede said Thank You. The comment was made to take the insurance off the building the city has no access to.

Zoning Permits:

 $170 \text{ Main St W} - \text{move in shed} - 140 \text{ Birch St E} - \text{widen driveway} - 130 \text{ Birch St W} - \text{Move in Shed} - \text{Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben, and motion to approve zoning permits as written on agenda. 5-0$

Megan Morgan:

Discussion on the last motion to remove sewer charges from account. Motion made by Council Member Ronald Shade, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben, and motion to approve only crediting 16000 of the sewer charges off their bill. 5-0

Chicken Permit:

Discussion on the application. Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade, and motion to approve chicken permit at 250 Chestnut St E 5-0 Noting that they need to be pinned up.

Conditional Use Permit:

Discussion on a conditional use permit for a crematory with the advice from the city attorney. There is nothing in our ordinances that says the funeral home needs a conditional use permit as this is a service a mortuary does provide. Motion made by Council Member Justin Ludden, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade, and motion to rescind conditional use permit for crematory as it is unnecessary. 5-0

Farmland:

Discussion on the farmland rental west of town. Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade, and motion to approve farmland renting at \$21,730 plus half the property taxes of \$2672. For a total of \$24,372. 5-0

Stop Signs:

Discussion on placing a few more stop signs in town. At the intersection on Ash St E and 2nd Ave SE. Also at 4th Ave NW entering Main St W. Will check with the county if they will set the sign and maintain that sign at Main St W. Motion made by Council Member Ronald Shade, seconded by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, and motion to approve ordering 3 stop signs with safety money at said locations. 5-0

Police Protection:

Discussion on the return of magazine clip, patches and Kevlar from the police officer. Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, and motion approved to have said items returned. 5-0 Clerk will contact to see if the police officer is interested in buying the Kevlar and getting the other items returned.

Ordinance 2025-03:

Discussion on the proposed ordinance to not allow boulevard planting. Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben, and motion approved to introduce Ordinance 2025-03. 5-0 First reading of the ordinance took place.

Resolution 2025 – 11 Delegation of Cannabis retail registration:

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Resolution 2025-12 Proposed Tax Levy payable in 2026:

Discussion on the proposed budget. Added \$100,000 in capitals. Something to consider is more in police protection but contract services could be more. This proposal would put the residents at 104.2% tax rate. A \$100,000 valued home would see an increase of \$61.12 and a \$200,000 valued home would see an increase of \$153.95. Preliminary budget is usually set higher, and we can adjust some things by the end of the year. If we stay with this the proposed tax increase will be approximately 39.1% increase. Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade, and motion approved Resolution 2025-11 Proposed Tax Levy Payable in 2026. 5-0

Resolution 2025-13 Contract with City Official:

Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben, and motion approved Resolution 2025-13. 4-0 Abstaining: Mayor Kevin Kuehl

Collaboration:

Mayor read email from League and the city attorney about the collaboration. Discussion on the cancellation of the last meeting. All council members were asked if they want to continue. Motion made by Council Member Ronald Shade, seconded by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, and motion approved to continue with collaboration, Kevin will contact them, Clerk will get it sent out. 5-0

Consent Agenda:

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

Approval of paying the following bills

August Bills

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ALPHA WIRELESS	¢00,00	
COMMUNICATIONS	\$99.00	
AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	\$40.86	
BADGER METER	\$342.02	
BEVCOMM, INC	\$684.61	
BOLTON & MENK, INC.	\$17,694.50	
BOMGAARS	\$7.99	
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	\$280.74	
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	\$999.28	
CENEX FLEET FUELING	\$486.24	
DAKOTA SUPPLY GROUP	\$932.83	2 coupling

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GALENA TOWNSHIP	\$520.00	road grading
GOPHER STATE ONE CALL, IN	\$21.60	
GOPHER STATE ONE CALL, IN	\$29.70	
HOMETOWN BILLING	\$144.04	
IBEW LOCAL UNION 160	\$252.02	
INDOFF INC.	\$89.66	
KELLI HARDER	\$558.38	miles Sep 2024- Aug 2025
KUEHL S ELECTRIC INC.	\$825.00	hook up new heaters in fire hall
KUEHL S ELECTRIC INC.	\$225.45	Transducer
MAGUIRE IRON, INC.	\$1,675.00	
MARTIN COUNTY STAR	\$57.75	RSD ordinance
MARTIN COUNTY STAR	\$42.00	grass ordinance
MAXWELL EUGENE LONGLEY	\$1,500.00	September
MINN. DEPT OF HEALTH	\$826.00	
MINNESOTA ENERGY	\$264.92	
MN ENVIRO. SCIENCE RVW BOARD	\$1,000.00	MESERB membership
MOORE AND ACE INC.	\$33.51	
NO BS PERFORMANCE	\$2,074.71	tie rod & def injector
NORTH CENTRAL LABORATORIE	\$45.41	
OLSON RENTALS & CAR WASH	\$288.96	table rental
SOUTH CENTRAL ELECTRIC ASSN	\$5,680.44	
TOWN CENTER INC	\$4.90	
UC LABORATORY	\$926.05	
WESTRUM LEAK DETECTION	\$1,200.00	

Other Business:

Discussion on checking on the alignment on the ambulance. Discussion on mayor approving on his own to have stumps removed from the boulevard and next step with having more trees removed. Discussion on police protection. Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben. Motion carried, to approve advertisement for police protection. 5-0 Motion made by Council Member Justin Lubben, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade. Motion carried, Kevin and Bradford to modify ad for police position. 5-0

Motion made by Council Member Bradford F Motion carried. To adjourn meeting. 5-0 8:07 pm	Tohrs, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade.
Kevin Kuehl, Mayor	
Attest: Kelli Harder, City Clerk/ Treasurer	