

## **CITY OF SARGEANT**

Mayor: Roger Nelson, City Council: Eric Milburn, Josh Zeller, Jeremy Jorgenson, Kristine Maier

City Clerk: Adria Vargas

Treasurer: Diane Linbo

Water and Waste Water Operator: Brandon Klocke

No public in attendance

**February 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025**

Mayor Nelson opened the meeting at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance

First order of business: Hiring of City Clerk Adria Vargas, **Council Member Milburn made a motion to hire Adria Vargas as City Clerk. Council Member Zeller 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. 4Yea, 0 Nays. Carried**

Mayor Nelson and City Council approved the January meeting minutes as written and submitted by Council Member Milburn.

The Mayor and Council discussed a permit submitted by Council Member Maier for cement work and Greenhouse. Due to not having the permit book present on premises the no permit number was offered and will be corrected at the March meeting. **Council Member Zeller made a motion to approve the permit, Council Member Milburn seconded the motion. 3Yea, 1 Abstain (Maier) Carried.**

Mayor Nelson and Council present about Ash tree removal, in the air right now waiting for funding disbursement from the DNR, its first come first serve. Council Milburn commented let us know ASAP so we can do what needs to be done. Clerk Vargas asked if the County had been through town and removed any trees that are the Counties responsibility. It was commented that there are maybe a half dozen that still need removal. Clerk commented that maybe they should be called in to remove before any other trees are removed that the city would have to be responsible for.

Mayor Nelson stated that Brandon called and that the meter was installed. There was a brief discussion about the valve and rerouting some plumbing at some point. Maybe WIFI meters. This was tabled until more information is available. **Council Member Maier approved the water report, Council Member Zeller seconded the motion. 4 Yeas, 0Nays. Carried.**

Treasurer Linbo gave the treasurers report. **Council Member Milburn made a motion to accept the report and move on to old business. Council Member Zeller seconded the motion. 4Yea, 0Nays. Carried.**

Mayor Nelson discussed the mapping for the City. He also discussed the need for discussion with the City engineer Kyle from ISG to work on a search grant to make improvements to the water tank and the well

house. Mayor Nelson stated that a new heater/furnace, dehumidifier and (fans should be purchased in May this year) should be added to the bid to help with sweating and corrosion of the tank. He stated that maybe there would be funding through rural development, MN Rural water and the revolving drinking water fund, among many others. Mayor Nelson stated that he would need council approval for the search for grants to begin. Stating that maybe it would be useful for Kyle Rienke to attend a future council meeting to give the council an opportunity to ask questions. Mayor Nelson stated that the current furnace unit was installed in 1992 and has had to be repaired but that he thinks the city can get along through this year, but would need to be replaced before next winter and the council should consider getting a few bids before next year.

The Mayor and Council discussed ordinance in town relating to animals and fowl/chickens. They all wish to have order and things cleaned up, but with issues of enforcement they find themselves at a crossroads and feel that maybe the City Attorney should be involved.

The Council moved on to pay the monthly bills, **Council Member Maier made a motion to approve and pay all bills, Council Member Zeller seconded the motion. 4Yeas,0nays. Carried.**

**Council Member Maier made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:05pm, Council Member Zeller seconed the motion. 4 Yeas, 0Nays. Carried. Next meeting is March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2025 at 7:00pm.**