

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Shawn O'Neill called the regular city council meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

INVOCATION:

The invocation was led by Ivan Wiediger.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Mayor Shawn O'Neill led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL:

Council members present: Shawn O'Neill Mayor, Brian Watson Councilor #1, Ivan Wiediger Councilor #2, Don Webster Councilor #3, Heather Stewart Councilor #4, Duane Crouse Mayor Pro Tem, and Jim Buzzard Legal Counsel.

City staff members present: City Clerk - Rachelle Denham, Treasurer – Michelle Whitten, Chief of Police – John Brockmueller.

MOVED:	Ivan Wiediger	Motion: Excuse Director Brian Morris.		
SECONDED:	Don Webster			
Discussion: No Discussion				
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION:	5-0 Motion Carried: 5 aye and 0 nay.			

CONSENT/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED:	Duane Crouse	Motion: Approval of Agenda- As Presented.		
SECONDED:	Brian Watson			
Discussion: No Discussion				
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION:	5-0 Motion Carried: 5 aye and 0 nay.			

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

MOVED:	Brian Watson	Motion: Approval of Meeting Minutes - Regular		
SECONDED:	Ivan Wiediger	Council Meeting January 09, 2024.		
Discussion: No Discussion				
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION:	5-0 Motion Carried: 5 aye and 0 nay.			

STAFF & COUNCIL REPORTS:

John Brockmueller – Chief of Police

• Report in writing and operation are normal.

Legal Counsel – Jim Buzzard

No Report

Rachelle Denham – Clerk

• Report in writing. Will be emailing some dates out to schedule the annual Public Officials Liability Training and will include Planning Commission.

Michelle Whitten – Treasurer

• The three-year state audit is wrapping up, hoping by 1/31.

Bryan Morris - PW/CD Director

• Report in writing.

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• Sandra mentioned that the new Fire Chief, Brent Adams started Monday and was unable to make this meeting to do prior commitments and hopes to make the next meeting.

Duane Crouse – Mayor Pro Tem

• No report except the meeting with Marie Gluesenkamp Perez today but will let the mayor report on the meeting.

Heather Stewart – Councilor #4

• No report.

Don Webster - Councilor #3

• No report.

Ivan Wiediger – Councilor #2

• No report.

Brian Watson -- Councilor #1

• Attended the Marie Gleusenkamp Perez was personable, listened and feels like we were heard. Not much she can probably do at Federal level but heard the conversation.

Shawn O'Neill – Mayor

• Sarah from the office of Marie Gluesenkamp Perez visited a few months ago and we discussed traffic (Exit 72) and flood issues. Director Morris and Pastor Scott went to Kent for a meeting trying to work on the floodway on Bond Rd. The Ecological and Development issues along with charging units, red tape. Overall was a good meeting and expect to hear back and Director Morris will give updates.

CITIZEN COMMENTS – NON-AGENDA ITEMS:

None

NEW BUSINESS

VOUCHERS- M. WHITTEN

	Culto Total		\$101,835.14			
THE FOLLOWING	S SIGNEES, APPROVE THE VOUCHERS FO	OR PAYMENT:				
	Accounts Payable	76	38	46,519.37	38751-38788	
	Payroll Vendors	1	1	203.00		3878
	Electronic Payments	7	7	1,126.08	EFT* 20240101-08	
	Electronic Payroll	2	2	15,799.84	EFT* 20240109-10	
1/20/2023	ACH Direct Deposit	17	17	37,986.85	Direct Deposit 01/19/2024	
	Total Vouchers	103	65	101,635.14		
	VOID Check 38720 & reissued	******	***************************************			

MOVED:	Don Webster	Motion: Approval of the Vouchers dated		
SECONDED:	Ivan Wiediger	January 23, 2024.		
Discussion: No Discussion.				
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION:	5-0 Motion Carried; 5 aye and 0 nay.			

LEWIS COUNTY 911 ILA 2024 – J. BROCKMUEELER

MOVED:	Ivan Wiediger	Motion: Approve and sign the Lewis County	
SECONDED:	Don Webster	ILA 2024.	
Discussion: Councilor Ivan Wiediger asks if it was common for a six-month agreement. Chief			
Brockmueller replied no, it will be reevaluated after that to look at numbers and this is a			
result of the failure of the two-tenths vote. Councilor Ivan Wiediger asked if this would			
go back on the ballot and Chief Brockmueller responded that the CUC wants to put it			
back out to the voters with more information. Councilor Duane Crouse asked what the			
changes are now compared to what we've been working with. Chief Brockmueller			
responded that it's a \$50k increase due to a new formula. Legal Counsel responded that			
this is a 75% Police / 25% Fire split based on usage, how many officers, population of			
city and it will be based on next year budget based on the 2016-2018 formula.			
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION:	5-0 Motion Carried	l; 5 aye and 0 nay.	

ADJOURNMENT:

MOVED:	Don Webster	Motion: To Adjourn – Close of Meeting		
SECONDED:	Ivan Wiediger			
Discussion: Meeting Adjourned at 6:15 p.m.				
VOTE ON MAIN MOTION:	5-0 Motion Carried; 5 aye and 0 nay.			

<u>These minutes are not verbatim</u>. If so desired, a recording of this meeting is available online from freeconference call.com or at the link <u>https://fccdl.in/V4h2yMqAN1</u>.

Respectfully submitted, en Wichze × MAYOR PRD-TEN

Rachelle Denham, City Clerk

Shawn O'Neill, Mayor

Councilor