

**Niederwald City Council**  
**May 7, 2024, Council Meeting Minutes**

The following represents the actions taken by the Niederwald City Council in the order they occurred during the City Council meeting.

Mayor Charles Bisson called the meeting to order at 7: 00 p.m.

Role was called. Council members in attendance were:

Diane Shirey  
Dawn Bowen  
Ken Perry  
Connie Wood

Jaime Aragon was absent.

City Administrator, Reynell Smith and City Clerk, Zach Cronshey were also in attendance.

A moment of silence was observed.

**Presentations:** Jacy Warwick, DR Horton, Camino West Subdivision, showed a picture of a subdivision previously done that would closely resemble the homes in the new subdivision.

**Public Comment:** None

**Agenda Item 1. Discussion and possible action on Minutes of April 2, 2024, Meeting.**

**Synopsis:** There was discussion on the way meeting minutes are reported.

**Motion:** Council member Wood made a motion to approve the minutes and Council member Perry seconded this motion.

**Vote:**

Diane Shirey - Yes  
Dawn Bowen - Yes  
Ken Perry - Yes  
Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 2. Discussion and possible action on Financials for March 2024.**

**Synopsis:** The City Administrator gave council the most current financials and informed them of what statements there are up to date.

**Motion:** There was no action taken.

**Agenda Item 3. Discussion and possible action on approving bid for City Auditor.**

**Synopsis:** Council contemplated whether to continue with the city having an auditor. There was discussion on accepting a proposal from Auditors as presented.

**Motion:** Council member Wood made a motion to approve Donald Allman as the City Auditor and Council member Perry seconded the motion.

**Vote:**

Diane Shirey - Yes  
Dawn Bowen - Yes  
Ken Perry - Yes  
Connie Wood – Yes

Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 4. Discussion and possible action on accepting the resignation of the Municipal Court Judge Douglas Montgomery.**

**Synopsis:** Douglas Montgomery had turned in a letter of resignation.

**Motion:** Council member wood made a motion to accept the resignation letter and this motion was seconded by council member Bowen.

**Vote:**

Diane Shirey - Yes  
Dawn Bowen - Yes  
Ken Perry - Yes  
Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 5. Discussion and possible action on hiring an IT company for computers and internet services.**

**Synopsis:** Council was presented with bids from 3 companies. Tek RESCUE had done the city Cyber Security Audit and spoke to the council regarding the audit and services.

**Motion:** Council member Wood made a motion to approve Tek RESCUE for the Cyber Security company for the city and this motion was seconded by council member Shirey.

**Vote:**

Diane Shirey -Yes  
Dawn Bowen - Yes  
Ken Perry - Yes  
Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 6. Discussion and possible action on having the Subdivision Ordinance condensed to one version and abolishing all the previous versions and amendments.**

**Synopsis:** Council discussed making changes to the Subdivision Ordinance to make it one version, instead of one ordinance with several amendments.

**Motion:** Council member Wood made a motion to have the city Attorney redo the Subdivision Ordinance and the motion was seconded by Council member Shirey.

**Vote:**  
Diane Shirey - Yes  
Dawn Bowen - Yes  
Ken Perry - Yes  
Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 7. Discussion and possible action on changing Employee Health Benefits or paying a stipend only.**

**Synopsis:** There was discussion on different options for Employee Health Benefits.

**Motion:** Council member Wood made a motion to table this Agenda item and the motion was seconded by Council Member Perry.

**Vote:**  
Diane Shirey - Yes  
Dawn Bowen - Yes  
Ken Perry - Yes  
Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 8. Discussion and possible action on purchasing a mower for City Hall.**

**Synopsis:** The City Clerk presented prices on several different mowers and recommend to the Council that one be purchased to do our own mowing instead of having to contract it out.

**Motion:** Council member Wood made a motion to approve the purchase of a new Cub Cadet mower and the motion was seconded by Council member Bowen.

**Vote:**  
Diane Shirey - Yes  
Dawn Bowen - Yes  
Ken Perry - Yes  
Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 9. Discussion and possible action on sending a letter to our state Senators and Representatives supporting the U.S. Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration (EDA) and Senate Bill 3891 that would authorize funding programs for 5 years to local communities.**

**Synopsis:** There was discussion on sending the letter to the city's State Senators and Representatives.

**Motion:** Council member Perry made a motion to send the letter and the motion was seconded by Council Member Wood.

**Vote:**

Diane Shirey - Yes  
Dawn Bowen - Yes  
Ken Perry - Yes  
Connie Wood - Yes

Motion passed.

**Agenda Item 10. Discussion and possible action on accepting a proposal for providing administration and/or planning services for the Resilient Communities Program Community Development Block Grant.**

**Synopsis:** There was discussion on the two different proposals and the process on accepting a proposal.

**Motion:** Council member Wood made a motion to table this Agenda item, and this was seconded by Council member Perry.

**Vote:**

Diane Shirey - Yes  
Dawn Bowen - Yes  
Ken Perry - Yes  
Connie Wood - Yes

Motion tabled.

**Agenda Item 11. Discussion and possible action on paying outstanding bills in excess of City Secretary's authorized limits.**

**Synopsis:** There were no bills in excess of City Secretary's authorized limits.

**Motion: No Action Needed**

**Announcements:**

Next meeting will be on June 4, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

The Meeting was adjourned at 8:11 p.m.

Attest:

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Mayor  
City of Niederwald

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City Secretary  
City of Niederwald