

**CITY OF CORNELL  
MINUTES OF COMMON COUNCIL MEETING  
MAY 2, 2024**

7:00 p.m. Mayor Mark Larson called the regular council meeting to order at the City Council Chambers. The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance and a moment of silence honoring all individuals that have or are protecting our freedom. Minutes taken by Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer DeJongh.

Council members present: Steve Turany, Terry Smith, Bill Kvapil, Sandra Schecklman, Debra Semanko and Floyd Hickethier.

Guests present: Ashley Carothers, & Ginna Young .

Motion Hickethier, Seconded Smith to accept the agenda as printed. Carried 6 ayes.

Motion Smith, seconded Kvapil to approve the organizational council meeting minutes of April 16, 2024. Carried 6 ayes.

Turany reported on Finance Committee meeting held earlier. Committee met in closed session and had some preliminary discussion on 2023 audit. DeJongh will email out the complete audit in an electronic format.

Kvapil reported on Utility Commission Meeting held on May 1<sup>st</sup>. The utility has about 40 rejected utility poles that need to be addressed yet. Three water hydrants still need to be repaired. A parts manufacturer is supposed to be coming up in the next couple weeks. By the end of next year hoping to have all the water meters in town changed out to radio reads.

DeJongh reported that the Board of Review met May 1<sup>st</sup>. No one filed an objection or appeared in front of the Board.

Motion Turany, Seconded Smith to approve Ordinance #24-2 adjusting sewer rates to generate revenues to cover operating and maintenance expenses, replacement requirements and Debt Service Payments. Carried 6 ayes.

Council discussed ATV/UTV route opening Hwy 64 from Park Rd to County Highway CC and then opening CC within the City limits.

Motion Turany, Seconded Smith to approve Ordinance #24-3 opening a portion of STH 64 and CTH CC for ATV/UTV travel and setting other ATV/UTV operational conditions. Carried 6 ayes.

Motion Smith, Seconded Kvapil to approve bills totaling \$28,419.49. Roll Call Vote Carried 6 ayes.

Forthcoming Events.

- Fire Dept. Charcoal Chicken Fundraiser – May 4<sup>th</sup> 10:30 am – 2pm at Fire Hall.
- County ATV Fundraiser at Halfway Bar, Cadott – May 11<sup>th</sup> at 11am – 8pm.
- U.S. Post Office “Stamp out Hunger” – May 11<sup>th</sup>.

Ashley Carothers reported that the Cornell Library is celebrating its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary this year. Because of that the Cornell Fair Parade will have a “Book Theme” this year.

Motion Kvapil, Seconded Hickethier to adjourn. Carried 6 ayes.

Adjourned at 7:34 pm

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Date Approved

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Mark Larson, Mayor

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David DeJongh, Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer