

**City of Wakefield Council Meeting
Tuesday, January 2, 2024 - 7pm**

Call to Order

Mayor Chrysovergis called the regular council meeting to order, led the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a Moment of Silence.

Present were Rhiannon Garcia, Betsy Liebau, Neal Summerson.

New Mayor & council member were sworn in (Patrick was ill and could not attend).

Consent Agenda

Betsy motioned to add Grow CC to the agenda topics, Neal 2nd, motion carried.

Public Comments

Organizational Reports

***Pride**

-Commodities- February

-Meeting

-Thanked the city for allowing Angel/Giving Tree to be located here.

***WRA**

-WRA Basketball to begin Saturday

-Adult men's basketball to start again

-Meetings are monthly, but no set date yet

Employee Reports

Clerk- report given.

Superintendent- report given. Kyle shared 2 quotes to remove tree at Suzy Q. Neal motioned for Witt's to remove tree & stump for no more than \$850, Betsy 2nd, motion carried.

Police- report given. Bicycle Safety Course. Michael spoke with PE teacher at school about doing it with 2nd and 3rd graders at the school. Need to get a couple bicycles for the program.

AGENDA ITEMS

1. 2024 Appointments

Mayor appoints Julie Murphy as City Clerk, Court Clerk; Kyle Murphy as Superintendent; Michael Holte as Chief of Police; John McNish as Municipal Judge; Rick James as City Attorney. Council approves all appointments. Mayor appoints Betsy as President of Council.

2. Resolution 262 GAAP Waiver

Betsy motioned to approve Resolution 262, Rhiannon 2nd, motion carried.

3. Library business

Neal motioned to sign MOU with the library. Library shared their 2023 Report consisting of EBooks/Audiobooks; Community Outreach; Wi-Fi usage, Computer Usage, Rotating Books; Renting out books, DVD, launch pads; Interlibrary (courier service); Community Programs for adults, kids. Council thanked them for their service to the community.

4. CMB Permits

Betsy motioned to accept 2024 CMB Permits for License to sell cereal malt beverages in original and unopened containers and not for consumption on the licensed premises to Short Stop #3, Scanolli's,

Legacy Outdoors, and for License to sell cereal malt beverages for consumption on the premises to Suzy Q Neighborhood Grill, Scanolli's, Legacy Outdoors Neal 2nd, motion carried.

5. Quality of Life Committees

Mayor Chryssovergis shared how these committees were developed and why. Mayor, Neal and City Clerk met with Natalie Muruato Grow CC in December about some grant opportunities and bridging some of the gaps within the county. Neal added that a whole community needs to get involved to help Wakefield prosper. Rhiannon Garcia would like to be on the Childcare Committee.

Neal would like to sit on Housing Committee. Council discussed legalities with KOMA and how to proceed.

6. Lagoon Project Update

Executive session to discuss legal matters with city attorney.

7. Seat 4 Vacancy

Jared Renyer and Raquel Cinco each gave the council reasons for their interest in sitting on city council seat #4.

8. GROW CC

Neal motioned to invest in Grow Clay County for \$500, motion died for lack of 2nd. Betsy motioned to invest in Grow Clay County as Business Partner for \$200, Rhiannon 2nd, motion carried.

9. Executive Session to discuss legal matters with city attorney

Betsy motioned for executive session to discuss legal matters with city attorney until 9:00pm, Neal 2nd, motion carried.

Leza brought the meeting back to order at 9:00pm. No motions made.

***Adjournment**

Betsy motioned to adjourn, Rhiannon 2nd, motion carried.

City Clerk