

City of Wilmont  
Regular Council Meeting  
May 15, 2025

The regular monthly meeting was called to order by Acting Mayor, Issac Joens at 6:00 pm in the Wilmont Community Center, 316 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Council Present:** Isaac Joens, Carolyn Penning & Tom Slater

**Guests and Staff:** Amber Bertrand & Steve Joens

**Absent:** Alicia Entinger & Josh Balster

**Agenda:** Carolyn Penning moved to accept the agenda with additions and was seconded by Tom Slater. All in favor. Motion Carried.

**Minutes:** Tom Slater made a motion to approve the minutes from April 10, 2025 along with the LBAE Minutes from 4/28/25 and was seconded by Carolyn Penning. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Time Sheets:** Time sheets look good and no questions arose. Carolyn Penning made a motion to approve time sheets, seconded by Tom Slater. All in favor, Motion carried.

**Treasurers Report:** Amber Bertrand presented the treasurers report – All looked like normal transactions and no questions arose. Carolyn Penning made a motion to accept the financial report along with Bank Statements and to pay the remaining bills and also to pay the operating bills that are received after the council meeting including the fire department bills. Motion seconded by Tom Slater. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Nobles County Sheriff Report:** No one present. Amber did have a complaint on Albertson's vehicles so she reached out to Deputy Simpson and he has talked with them and can issue citations. He mentioned that Amber should send a letter to them as well so Amber is just waiting for the ordinance that he is using so she can include it with her letter.

**Maintenance Report:** Steve Joens gave the report – The fence at the ponds had damage to it – a control burn was being done and some of the posts got burned away due to fire getting too close and with the fence being high tinsel the heat did damage to that as well and is no longer tight. Council told Steve to get the fence company here to fix and then once he knows total we can talk to the land owner that caused the damage as they should be the ones to pay for the damages. Steve said that he is needing a new weed eater to use out at the ponds as the ones that he currently has are smaller/residential ones that don't work as well – council was fine with him purchasing a new one. Steve said he will be gone to training in Pipestone on May 20-21. Steve is waiting for Justin to get a hold of him to look at the storm drains on 6<sup>th</sup> Ave and will reach back out to him. Tom Slater made motion to approve the maintenance report and was seconded by Carolyn Penning. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Fire Department Report:** They are working on a few more things for the new tanker truck but getting closer to being able to be used. It was requested to raise the Annual Retirement Benefit from \$1,000 to \$1,100 starting in 2025 and on a motion by Carolyn Penning and seconded by Tom Slater it was duly passed, all in favor, motion carried. Carolyn Penning made motion to approve the Fire Department Report and was seconded by Tom Slater. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Clerk Report:** Amber gave the Clerk report – Everything is going well and no concerns on anything. Tom Slater made motion to approve the Clerks Report and was seconded by Carolyn Penning. All in favor. Motion carried.

On a motion by Tom Slater and seconded by Carolyn Penning it was duly passed to approve Resolution 2025-11 Acknowledging Donations for Fire Department.

Carolyn was asked if the Wilmont Bar would be able to block off a small portion of the street (would be from Main Street corner to right before the alley) on June 21<sup>st</sup> from 1pm-10pm. On a motion by Tom Slater and seconded by Carolyn Penning it was duly passed to allow that small portion of street to be blocked off on the 21<sup>st</sup> of June from 1-10pm. All in favor, motion carried.

**Old Business:** Windows: Amber gave the cost of windows to Brian and is just waiting to hear back from him.

Amber did send off the Ordinance for Chickens to Travis Smith, City Attorney and is just waiting for a response.

There being no further business, Carolyn Penning made a motion to adjourn.

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 11, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Amber Bertrand, City Clerk

Note: These minutes are proposed and are subject to change.