

Mayor: Toby Strom * City Clerk/Treasurer: Melissa Finseth

Minutes

November 7, 2024

The meeting of the McIntosh City Council was called to order by Mayor Toby Strom at 5:30 PM on Thursday November 7, 2024.

Present: Toby Strom Luke Burd Luke Syverson Beth Hagen Adam Strutz

Poplar Meadows Committee Member: Rebecca Boehrsen – Licensed Director for Poplar Meadows of McIntosh

Guests: Mark Simonson

1) Adam Strutz was sworn in to fill the vacant Council seat. Council member Strutz will fill out the term of 2 years until the 2026 election at which time he can either run as a candidate or retire his seat.

2) Motion by Council member Hagen and seconded by Council member Syverson to approve the October 10, 2024 minutes. Passed and carried.

3) MEDA and Poplar Meadows Committee Reports:

Poplar Meadows Committee member Boehrsen reported there are currently 24 residents at Poplar Meadows with 2 open apartments.

Motion by Council member Syverson to approve the submitted claims for Poplar Meadows in the amount of \$81,984.92. Motion seconded by Councilmember Burd and carried.

Ms. Boehrsen requested additional time to research whether group residential housing assistance (GRH) is a good fit for Poplar Meadows. Item was tabled.

4) The City Clerk discussed issues with the Minnesota Department of Health Lead Service Line Survey. Mrs. Finseth stated that letters were sent to McIntosh residents and businesses to complete their service line survey. The Department of Health is asking all residents and businesses to report what type of material feeds water to their homes and businesses, from the curb stop to their water meter: copper, PVC, galvanized steel, or lead to the City Clerk or Maintenance Supervisor, Peter Tranby so that records can be updated. The City will continue to send letters out to the public until all records are updated.

- 4) Council member Burd presented the resolution to canvass the 2024 Election results. A coin toss was conducted to determine the winner of the tied race between Mark Simonson and Lexie Peterson, for Council, with Mark Simonson winning the contest. Council member Simonson will start his 4-year term January 9, 2025. Toby Strom won the Mayoral seat with 176 votes. Luke Syverson remains on Council with 55 write-in votes. With results duly canvassed, the votes in the affirmative: Hagen, Burd, Strutz and Syverson. Votes in the negative: None.
- 5) Council member Syverson presented the resolution to accept the pass-through grant, from the Northwest Minnesota Foundation, of \$15,000.00 on behalf of The Clubhouse Childcare Center. Votes in the affirmative: Syverson, Hagen, Burd and Strutz. Votes in the negative: None.
- 6) Motion by Council member Burd to approve increasing the rent to \$225.00 per month for Tri-County Community Corrections. Motion passed and carried.
- 7) A building permit for Pamela Aanenson for a handicap accessible storefront porch was approved.
- 8) Motion by Council member Syverson to approve the submitted claims, for the City and MEDA, in the amount of \$219,013.44. Motion seconded by Council member Bud and carried.
- 9) Motion by Council member Syverson to adjourn at 6.26. Motion seconded by Council member Burd and carried.

Toby Strom – Mayor

Melissa Finseth – City Clerk/Treasurer