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Minutes for the Woodburn City Council Meeting on August 2nd, 2021:

The meeting began at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was led by Councilman Voirol. In attendance was Clerk-Treasurer Cummins, Superintendent Walls as well as Councilmen Voirol, Martin (via phone), Thompson, Gerig, and Watts. Mayor Kelsey and Chief Parker were not present.

Chief's Report: Nothing to report.

Superintendent's Report: The City's water supply is now going through the filters again as work was accomplished last week. Artesian did drop the final price by \$2,500 due to issues with the paint application from many years ago, which is very much appreciated. The Superintendent intends to flush lines later this week. BF Goodrich is currently disconnected from the City's water supply and will remain this way until a meter is installed at their leisure. There is a water main break at the Woodburn Missionary Church and locates have been called in for work to be accomplished later this week. Hickory Street is now open for public use, but, due to complications, the stop sign on Lynnwood and Hickory still needs to be placed.

Mayor's Report: Nothing to report.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report: The meeting minutes were presented from the July 19th meeting. After discussion, Councilman Gerig moved to accept the minutes from the July 19th meeting as presented, second by Councilman Watts, all in favor. The warrants were presented. After discussion, Councilman Voirol moved to pay the warrants as presented, second by Councilman Thompson, all in favor. The Clerk-Treasurer explained that there are two homes remaining that have not resolved their illegal sump pump connections. Fees are still accumulating to the owners of these properties as described in the notice provided on April 1st which began to accrue on June 1st. The Clerk-Treasurer will prepare a letter and invoice for these two residents with a deadline to act before a sewer lien is filed against their respective properties. A letter will be sent similarly to a resident who has accrued fees and resolved the violation but has not communicated their intent to pay this outstanding amount. The Clerk-Treasurer described to Council the need to establish a fund to receive proceeds from the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. After discussion, Councilman Thompson moved to read Ordinance 21-1397 (Establish American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 Fund) by title only, second by Councilman Gerig, all in favor. Councilman Watts moved to accept the first reading of Ordinance 21-1397, second by Councilman Voirol, all in favor. Councilman Watts moved to suspend the rules to waive any additional readings and adopt Ordinance 21-1397 as presented, second by Councilman Gerig, all in favor. Ordinance 21-1397 is ratified as presented. The Clerk-Treasurer presented financials from the end of June 2021 for the Council's consideration.

Councilmen's Report: Councilman Martin inquired as to whether or not a property on Mainstreet was occupied. He also announced that the creation of the Stellar Mainstreet mural will begin at the end of August.

Audience: Two residents came to ask about the islands being maintained by the City within Burnwood Place and the possibility of eliminating the islands completely if that were possible. They were asking for a street sign to be placed on the corner of Woodburn Road as well. After discussion, the Superintendent stated that he would make sure that it is mowed weekly, as weather allows, and the removal of the islands will be considered in next years' road repair considerations. A resident discussed her water bill that was higher than usual due to outside water use. After discussion, Councilman Gerig moved to adjust her sewer bill to reflect her average usage for all months affected, second by Councilman Voirol, all in favor. Francis wanted clarification from Council for the method of engaging residents and businesses regarding nuisance violations located within the City limits.

Councilman Voirol moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Watts, all in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:17pm.

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