

**MINUTES**  
**June Regular Council Meeting**  
**Thursday, June 13th, 2024**

<b>Regular Meeting</b>	A regular council meeting of the City of Ashby, MN was held at Ashby City Hall with the following members present: Amy Johnson, Scott Ellingson, Wayne Stierlen, Jacob Dahle and Ron Jaenisch. Absent: None. Also present: Deputy Clerk Klinkner and Public Works Superintendent Johnson. Visitors present: Greg Lillemon and Justin Anderson. Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:02 pm.
<b>Agenda Approval</b>	Upon motion from Jaenisch, seconded by Dahle, and unanimously carried, the agenda was approved.
<b>Visitors:</b>	
<b>Greg Lillemon</b> <b>-Grant County</b> <b>Environmental</b> <b>Services</b>	Lillemon talked about water drainage options for the city with a new possible housing development. He also spoke about wetland manipulation concerning existing drain tile and wetland mitigation credits.
<b>Justin Anderson</b> <b>-City Attorney</b>	City Attorney Anderson advised that "stick built on premises" as mentioned in the covenants for Country View Estates does include modular homes. He also spoke about individual vs. council authority.
<b>Public Comment:</b>	None
<b>Consent Agenda</b> <b>Minutes/Claims/</b> <b>Outdoor Permits for</b> <b>Legion</b>	Upon motion from Jaenisch, seconded by Dahle and unanimously carried, council approved the consent agenda which includes minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of May 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2024, the claims and prepaid disbursements of June 13 <sup>th</sup> , 2024 as presented and reviewed by Stierlen and the Outdoor Permits for the Ashby Legion.
<b>Resolution 2024-09</b> <b>Accepting Donations</b>	Resolution 2024-09: Accepting Donations to Ambulance and Fire Department. Motion from Jaenisch, seconded by Ellingson to approve. Roll Call Vote: Dahle, Jaenisch, Mayor Johnson, Stierlen and Ellingson in favor. Resolution 2024-09 passed.
<b>Park Board Report</b>	Clerk Thormodson brought up the Park Boards concerns about cleaning up the brush around the ice arena pond (Memorial Park) and dead tree limbs in Thorson Larson Park. They also inquired about setting up security cameras in Thorson Larson Park. Superintendent Johnson recommends waiting till fall for Memorial Park. Clerk Thormodson will come up with a list of trees that need attention for the July Meeting.
<b>Council Report</b>	None given
<b>Mayor's Report</b>	Mayor Johnson attended the Memorial Day Program. She is thankful for all the people that contributed to it.
<b>Clerk's Report</b>	Clerk Thormodson attended the Senior Citizens meeting. They expressed concerns about the Nursing Home, the restaurant being closed and mowing behind the Center.
<b>Public Safety</b> <b>-Law Enforcement</b> <b>-Fire &amp; Ambulance</b>	The Grant County Law Enforcement was reviewed. The Fire and Ambulance report was reviewed.
<b>Public Works</b> <b>-TFC Meeting</b>	TFC requests to have no parking signs put up along the south side of Nelson Street They believe it would make it safer for truck traffic. Council denied the request due to concerns from residents that want to be able to park there. TFC requested to have their usage charges and fines waved due to the money they invested in their wastewater treatment expansion. Council denied their request, stating that they need to be in compliance with the existing pretreatment agreement.

**-MNDOT Meeting**

Superintendent Johnson and Clerk Thormodson met with MNDOT at the brush site. MNDOT discussed the need to create a temporary fence/boundary for MNDOT right of way.

**Old Business**

**Senator meeting**

Jaenisch spoke on the meeting with Senator Rasmussen. Mediation and water control options were discussed.

**Skate Park**

A request was made to council to have a skate park constructed in Memorial Park. Council decided that they didn't want the skate park in Memorial Park due to resident concerns over noise. Council also requests to know how big this skate park would be so they can help find an alternate location.

**Municipal Solar Project**

Clerk Thormodson is working with WCI to gather the city's usage information.

**New Business**

**Old Nursing Home**

The city has been offered the Old Nursing Home for \$50,000. Upon motion from Jaenisch, seconded by Dahle and unanimously carried, council approved to have a structural engineer inspect the building. Clerk Thormodson will line up a structural engineer to inspect the building.

**Ashby Summer Rec Donation Request**

Upon motion from Jaenisch, seconded by Dahle and unanimously carried, council approved to donate \$500 to the Ashby Summer Rec Program.

**Request Approval:  
-Land Use Permit**

Upon motion from Jaenisch, seconded by Dahle and unanimously carried, council approved the Land Use Permit for 300 Main St.

**-Park Bench Donation**

Upon motion from Mayor Johnson, seconded by Jaenisch and unanimously carried, council approved the donation of the park bench. The bench placement will be determined at a later date.

**Adjourn**

Upon motion by Jaenisch, seconded by Dahle and unanimously carried, the meeting was adjourned at 7:16 pm.

**July Council Meeting**

The next regular City Council Meeting will be held on July 11th, 2024 at City Hall starting at 5:30 pm.

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mike Thormodson, City Clerk

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Amy Johnson, Mayor