

**City of Menahga
Regular City Council Minutes
October 15, 2024**

1. Call to Order

The Menahga City Council held their Regular Monthly Meeting on Monday October 15, 2024.

Mayor Elizabeth Olson called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

2. Roll Call

Comprising a quorum of the Council, the following members were present:

Mayor Elizabeth Olson Mike Netland Dan Warmbold
Jody Bjornson Durwin Tomperi

City Office Staff present: City Clerk/Treasurer Brett Gagnonpalick

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Approval of Agenda

To add to "10. New Business – e. and f." Nuisance Ordinance Discussion and LMC Digital Training, respectively.

Main Motion: To approve the Agenda as Amended adding to 10. New Business: e. Nuisance Ordinance Discussion; and, f. LMC Digital Training.

Moved by:	Tomperi
Seconded	Bjornson
Action:	Motion carried by a 5-0 voice vote
In favor:	Olson, Tomperi, Netland, Bjornson, Warmbold
Opposed:	None

5. Communication and Appearance Request

- a. Disc Golf Course Discussion – Wayne Isaacson.

Mr. Isaacson read a letter clearing the record regarding the individual who is cutting/removing the trees for the disc golf expansion at the Menahga City Campground. He provided information that he found out later, that the trees which were removed were appropriate and wished to set the record straight for the newspaper reporters. Mr. Isaacson apologized for any reporting on his behalf that was detrimental to the young entrepreneur, stating that the tree service was only performing its job on what was requested by the Disc Golf Group.

6. Consent Agenda

- **September 9, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes**
- **September 27, 2024 Special Meeting/Budget Meeting Minutes**
- **September 30, 2024 Special Meeting/Work Session**

Main Motion: To approve the following Minutes: September 9, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting; September 27, 2024 Special Meeting/Budget Meeting; and, September 30, 2024 Special Meeting/Work Session Minutes.

Moved by:	Bjornson
Seconded	Warmbold
Action:	Motion carried by a 5-0 voice vote
In favor:	Olson, Tomperi, Netland, Bjornson, Warmbold
Opposed:	None

8. Public Hearing – None

9. Acknowledgment of receipt of Commission Minutes –

- a. Planning and Zoning Commission Minutes of September 12 and October 3, 2024 - FYI

10. New Business

- a. **Approve Liquor License for VFW**

This action was an annual renewal of the VFW Liquor License for 2025 pursuant to the City's Fee Schedule.

Main Motion: To approve the VFW liquor license for 2025 in the amount of \$300.

Moved by:	Netland
Seconded	Tomperi
Action:	Motion carried by a 5-0 voice vote
In favor:	Olson, Tomperi, Netland, Bjornson, Warmbold
Opposed:	None

b. Resolution 2024-32 Declaring 2025 Polling Place

The City Council determined that City Hall will be the official polling place for the City of Menahga.

Main Motion: To adopt Resolution 2024-32 Declaring Menahga City Hall as the 2025 Polling Place.

Moved by:	Bjornson
Seconded	Warmbold
Action:	Motion carried by a 5-0 voice vote
In favor:	Olson, Tomperi, Netland, Bjornson, Warmbold
Opposed:	None

c. Resolution 2024-33 Amending the 2024 Budget

The City Council directed the City Clerk/Treasurer to adjust the 2024 budget to meet current administrative requirements of the City. There was no increase to the overall budget.

Main Motion: To adopt Resolution 2024-33 Amending the 2024 Budget.

Moved by:	Netland
Seconded	Tomperi
Action:	Motion carried by a 5-0 voice vote
In favor:	Olson, Tomperi, Netland, Bjornson, Warmbold
Opposed:	None

d. Set date for Enterprise Fund Budgets/Employee Insurance

November 4, 2024 at 5 pm was set for this discussion.

e. Nuisance Ordinance Discussion – Bjornson

Bjornson discussed the Nuisance Ordinance in relation to properties that stand untouched and in different states of construction. When they remain in an uncomplete state, they become an 'eyesore' for visitors to the City and may suggest a lack of care in the City. It was determined that Gagnonpalick and Chief of Police, Amy Lane, look at the Ordinance and draft a letter to the owners of the property.

f. LMC Digital Access Training – Netland

Netland asked to attend the digital training being offered by the League of Minnesota Cities. It is a remote training with a cost of \$30.00. The Council's consensus was to allow Netland to do this training, and to include other Council members, if they wished to participate. Under the budget line item "Travel & Conference E101-41110-331", there is a positive balance of \$1,445.63 remaining for the FY to cover this expenditure.

11. Unfinished Business - None

12. Consideration of Bills

The Council Members were provided with the actual invoices for the following batches:

- a. Batch #101524checks - \$122,505.47
- b. Batch #09302eft - \$62,633.63

The Flaherty & Hood Invoice in the amount of \$563.75 was discussed by the Council. Since this cost was contributed to the Hillukka property sale, the Council agreed that this amount should be added to the total to be paid by the buyer, based on the previous Motion by the City Council.

Main Motion: To approve the payment of the following: Batch #101524 checks - \$122,505.47; and, Batch #09302 left – \$62,633.63 for a total of \$185,139.10

Moved by:	Warmbold
Seconded	Bjornson
Action:	Motion carried by a 5-0 voice vote
In favor:	Tomperi, Netland, Olson, Bjornson, Warmbold
Opposed:	None.

13. Adjournment

Main Motion: To adjourn at 6:29 pm.

Moved by:	Netland
Seconded by:	Warmbold
Action:	Motion carried by a 5-0 voice vote
In favor:	Tomperi, Netland, Olson, Bjornson, Warmbold
Opposed:	None

City Clerk/Treasurer, Brett Gagnonpalick

Mayor, Elizabeth Olson