# TOWN OF NEW RICHMOND

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#### Minutes of the Meeting

January 4, 2023 6:00 p.m.

**Roll Call:** Board Members Present, President Minnie Howard, Council Member Shelly Wulfers, Linda Forbes, Clerk/Treasurer Alaathea Foust, Town Superintendent Jay Busse and Attorney Rob Reimondo.

Minnie H. opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

**Town Council President for 2023:** Linda Forbes made the motion to keep Minnie Howard for Council President, Shelly Wulfers seconded the motion, Minnie Howard called for a vote, motion carried.

Alaathea Foust Clerk/Treasurer presented approval for Minutes of Meeting on December 6, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., Shelly W. made the motion to approve the minutes, Linda F. seconded the motion, Minnie H. called for a vote, motion carried.

## Amendments/Additions to Agenda: None

**Streets/Maintenance:** Jay Busse said there is a tree at the Roger Hurt Park and the New Richmond Park that needs to come down they are a safety hazard and he is getting quotes to take them down. The trees at the Detchon lift station need to be cleaned out so they can work on them. Jay B. said he received a call from the North Montgomery School saying the buses are having trouble with some trees, so we will be trimming trees back off the streets at least 3 feet off the road around town.

Linda F. asked about the trees at the Lagoon. Jay B. said the trees are taken care of along the fence row.

Water/Sewer: Earl Heide not present.

Town Marshal: Jeremy Minor not present.

Fire Department: Fire Chief Darren Foreman gave a report on their runs for the month.

**Report from Attorney**: Rob Reimondo said he had not heard from Tyler Nichols, Hilary Craig's Attorney, regarding the blighted property on 421 E Washington Street.

**Clerk/Treasurer:** Alaathea F. presented Accounts Payable Voucher Register for January 4, 2023 to the Board, Shelly W. made the motion to approve the APV Register, Linda F. seconded the motion, Minnie H. called for a vote, motion carried.

Alaathea F. presented Billing Adjustment Register for December 2022 to the Board, Shelly W. made the motion to approve the Billing Adjustment Register, Linda F. seconded the motion, Minnie H. called for a vote, motion carried.

Alaathea F. presented the bank reconcilements for November 2022.

Alaathea F. presented the Board with the Fund Report, Appropriation Report, Revenue Report up to date.

Alaathea F. said that she will be working on the Internal Loan Resolution for the street work in 2022. Alaathea F. said at the end of the year there remained some money left in the MVH Fund to which I sent Fox Paving a payment of \$3200.00 and now the balance owed is \$22,500.00.

Alaathea F. presented the Town Council an end of the year automatic appropriation transfer in the MVH Fund. The Town Council approved and signed the Year End Transfers.

Alaathea F. asked permission from the Council to reimburse Shelly Wulfers from the Promotional Fund in the amount of \$199.98 for the Subway Sandwiches for the Christmas Event. Linda F. made the motion to approve the payment, Minnie H. seconded the motion, Minnie H. called for a vote, motion carried.

#### **Old Business:**

Traffic Ordinance Speed Limit: Alaathea F. there is no update on this.

Blighted Properties: Talked about under the report from Attorney.

**Shelter House:** Alaathea F. asked Jay B. if he had any quotes for the doors on the shelter house. Jay B. said he did not receive any from the two people he asked. Linda F. asked Darrell Birge (from the Volunteers for New Richmond Improvements) to get a quote and bring it to the next meeting.

**Electric pole at the park:** Alaathea F. said she talked with Levi Rudisel, Project Engineer, from Tipmont REMC that day and he said the electric poles belong to the town and both of them need replaced. Levi R. said he would get the Clerk a quote on replacement of the poles. Linda F. said that Darrell Birge donated two electric poles for this project. Alaathea F. asked the Town Council permission to move forward on the replacement of the electric poles since it was an emergency situation. Shelly W. made the motion to go ahead with the replacement of the poles and to see if Tipmont will donate the labor, if not we will pay for the labor, Linda F. seconded the motion, Minnie H. called for a vote, motion carried.

#### **New Business:**

Coal Creek Fire & Rescue Agreement: Alaathea F. presented the Council the 2023 Agreement with Coal Creek F & R. and said it is the same as last years. After some discussion the Town Council decided to have a meeting with the Coal Creek Township, Coal Creek Fire & Rescue Board and the Town of New Richmond in the near future to discuss an agreement.

Next Town Hall Meeting is February 1, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Linda F. said we would like to be able to serve our community better and would like the community to be willing to work with us.

Shelly W. made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Limotion carried.	nda F. seconded the motion, Minnie H. called for a vote,
President Minnie Howard  Shelly Wulfers  Council Member Shelly Wulfers	Attest: Clerk/Treasurer Alaathea Foust
Council Member Linda Forbes	