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Minutes for the Woodburn City Council Meeting on May 17th, 2021:

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

Chief's Report: Nothing to report.

Superintendent's Report: Nothing to report.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor invited the Council to attend a meeting on June 2nd with which the Allen County Commissioners have requested participation from local elected officials to discuss the potential of collaboration regarding ARP Funds.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report: The meeting minutes were presented from the May 3rd meeting. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to accept the minutes from the May 3rd meeting as presented, second by Councilman Martin, all present in favor. The warrants were presented. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to pay the warrants as presented, second by Councilman Voirol, all present in favor. The Clerk-Treasurer explained that there are approximately 15 homes remaining that have not passed inspection regarding their illegal sump pump connections. Given that fees are scheduled to begin as of June 1st, which is before the next scheduled meeting, clear direction on how to proceed was requested. After discussion, it was determined to keep a firm date for fees to accrue, even if the work has been scheduled with a contractor but not yet completed. The Clerk-Treasurer also described how the ARP Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund proceeds are to be managed, to the best of his knowledge, as there are still many components of this process to be determined.

Councilmen's Report: Councilman Gerig inquired as to what a resident should do if they took a summer meter and then filled their pool with the meter attached. The Clerk-Treasurer explained his position on the matter and Councilman Gerig agreed to get back with the resident with this information.

Audience: A resident asked the Council to consider crediting her account due to a water leak, which was not treated by the sanitary sewer, that has since been corrected. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to modify the sewer portion of her utility bill to reflect the average consumption for all affected months, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. Carol Martin shared that the New Allen Alliance has requested the City update their strategic plan.

Councilman Martin moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilman Voirol, all present in favor. Meeting was adjourned at 7:57pm.

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