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Minutes for the Woodburn City Council Meeting on April 3rd, 2023:

The meeting began at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance was Mayor Kelsey, Clerk-Treasurer Cummins, Superintendent Walls as well as Council Members Sarrazine, Gerig, and Thompson. Chief Parker and Councilmen Martin and Watts were not present. Sarah Jones and others with the Allen County Planning Commission and Erin with U.S. Senator Todd Young's office were also present.

Chief's Report: Nothing to report.

Superintendent's Report: The annual water quality report, or the CCR, will be sent out in the next month or so with a survey for residents and businesses to self-evaluate lead lines. The City will be required to evaluate all lines for lead related issues as part of a state-wide requirement that will be due by October of 2024.

Mayor's Report: The Mayor began the meeting with the State of the City Address. He also extends thoughts and prayers to families of local communities impacted by the recent storms in the area.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report: The meeting minutes were presented from the March 20th meeting. After discussion, Councilwoman Thompson moved to accept the minutes from the March 20th meeting as presented, second by Councilman Gerig, all present in favor. The warrants were presented. After discussion, Councilwoman Thompson moved to pay the warrants as presented, second by Councilwoman Sarrazine, all present in favor.

Councilmen's Report: Councilwoman Thompson gave an update on the Woodburn Clothing Bank and that the expected opening date at the former Subway location near the Dollar General will now be Tuesday, April 18th.

Audience: A resident had submitted a request to have the sewer portion of his utility bill adjusted as he had an issue where his emergency sump pump had run a substantial amount of water through it when his primary sump pump had failed without his knowledge. After discussion, Councilwoman Sarrazine moved to adjust the sewer portion of his utility bill to reflect his average sewer usage for all affected months, second by Councilwoman Thompson, all present in favor. Sarah went over details for technical amendments that are being recommended to the City in order to modify the City's zoning ordinance to more closely reflect recent changes to both the City of Fort Wayne and Allen County zoning ordinances. After discussion, there were no challenges or proposed amendments to the proposals. A resolution will be prepared for approval at the following meeting to allow the Allen County Planning Commission to continue this work on the City's behalf.

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

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