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Minutes for the Woodburn City Council Meeting on June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023:

The meeting began at 7:00pm with the Pledge of Allegiance. In attendance was Mayor Kelsey, Clerk-Treasurer Cummins, Superintendent Walls, Chief Parker as well as Council Members Sarrazine, Martin, Gerig, Thompson, and Watts. Herb Anderson with the New Allen Alliance was also present.

Chief's Report: The new vehicle will be picked up tomorrow from the dealer and will go to CopsGear to get outfitted to become street ready. This vehicle should be ready for patrol in approximately 2 months. The Clerk-Treasurer will initiate the disposal of the current Ram Truck as determined at the Board of Works meeting earlier this evening.

Superintendent's Report: The Superintendent contacted Underground and confirmed that the anticipated work to upgrade the sewer system on Woodburn Road should begin mid/late July and should be completed before school begins for the next school year. He is also getting quotes for an additional 3 manholes that should result in savings due to the contractor already working on the project.

Mayor's Report: Nothing to report.

Clerk-Treasurer's Report: The meeting minutes were presented from the June 5<sup>th</sup> meeting. After discussion, Councilman Gerig moved to accept the minutes from the June 5<sup>th</sup> meeting as presented, second by Councilwoman Thompson, all in favor. The warrants were presented. After discussion, Councilwoman Thompson moved to pay the warrants as presented, second by Councilwoman Sarrazine, all in favor. The Clerk-Treasurer explained a recent discussion with Waste Management staff, the current provider of trash service for the City, and asked the Council about their desire to either extend the current trash contract or to take it out to bid. After discussion, Council decided that they would like to extend the contract under the current terms for as long as Waste Management would be willing to agree to at this current rate. The Clerk-Treasurer will reach out to Waste Management and get back with their response to the Council.

Councilmen's Report: Councilman Gerig mentioned that several residents have articulated that the ground near various construction areas are not able to be mowed or managed due to the dirt that has been placed there. The Superintendent confirmed that the contractors will take care of this after the end of the construction, and hopefully, by the end of June.

Audience: A resident came to ask Council for a correction on the sewer portion of his bill for water that was not treated. After discussion, Councilman Watts moved to adjust the sewer portion of the utility bill to reflect the average usage for all affected months, second by Councilwoman Sarrazine, all in favor. Two representatives with LifeWise came to this meeting to inquire as to what course of action the City would like to pursue regarding their request from last meeting. After discussion, it was determined to check with the City attorney for any stipulations that might cause an issue, but otherwise it was received well overall. A resident went over details about the Dollar General and the current condition of the store. She also explained what she would like to see in resolving this issue. Herb gave an update on New Allen Alliance matters.

Councilwoman Sarrazine moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Councilwoman Thompson, all in

favor. Meeting was adjourned at 8:12pm.

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