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Council Members

Mayor Brad Smith Barbara Northington Matt Wenick Suzanne Hood **Public Present** 

Mike Allen Fire Chief Linda Pace

November 12<sup>th</sup> City Council Meeting called to order @6pm by Mayor Brad Smith Minutes taken by Manager/Recorder Deborah Oatman

#### #1 Open Floor

Councilor Wenick noted the dates for meter readings was incorrect on billing, Deborah stated that it has been corrected for the future.

## #2 Letter from Swensen's Concerning Utility Use

The Swensen's wrote a letter to the Council asking for a conversation as they do not agree with he Council's conclusion in February of 2023 concerning utility billing for part-time residents. Called the swensen's at 6:05. Councilor Wenick asked if they were asking for a variance from the city's standard. Kaleen stated that they would like to push back the cost until they retire as it is an extra burden. Councilor Northington stated that it is also a burden on ½ the residents. Kaleen thought that it is an excessive amount and asked if there was another idea. Councilor Wenick answered saying that "We cannot single out one over another, we as the Council swore to up hold city ordinances and the law." Mayor Smith stated that we are a small city and do not have enough to fund and maintain our services.

### #3 Hydrant @ 1st and D St

Deducted form an app there was a hydrant behind Mike Allen's house off the 16rd and would benefit Melvin Herberger's property. Councilor Wenick stated that it may have been taken out when the water project was done and suggested looking at the water map.

# #4 October 8th Minutes Approval

Councilor Wenick pointed out that the minutes stated that Iron Triangle was to be placed on the November agenda and would like to see that happen in the December meeting. Mayor Smith asked for a motion, motion made by Councilor Hood, second by Councilor Northington, all in favor, motion passed.

#### #5 Bills Before Council

Motion made by Councilor Northington, second by Councilor Hood, all in favor, motion passed.

leeting adjourned @6:45

Attest: Mayor Brad Smith