

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Bird Island City Council  
Tuesday, November 12, 2024 at 7:00 PM**

Council members present: Sander, Schneider, Lingl, Prokosch

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Sander.

A motion was made by Prokosch and seconded by Schneider to authorize payment of the claims and to approve the minutes from the October meeting. Passed unanimously.

Law Enforcement Deputy Jacques was present to review the quarterly law enforcement report with the Council.

Phone System The Council reviewed a proposal from West Central Technology for an upgraded phone system for the Administrator's Office, Library, and Maintenance Department. Staff is looking into an alternative system for the utility alarms. Ahl will contact current customers of this system and report back to the Council at the December meeting.

City Election Results A motion was made by Lingl and seconded by Schneider to approve the following City Election

results: Mayor:	Julie Sander	491
	Vesta Kelly	80
	Write-Ins	6
Council:	Bill Leach	393
	Deb Lingl	290
	Terry Hines	279
	Write Ins	13
Council:	Neal Prokosch	477
(Special 2-Year)	Todd Fritsche	89
	Write-Ins	4

Passed unanimously.

Public Works Woelfel updated the Council on his monthly report. Maintenance has been busy with pond discharge, fall flushing, street sweeping, and winterization of the splash pad. The gates of the burn site have been closed during off hours. Christmas lights will be hung soon.

Pay Estimate No. 3 A motion was made by Lingl and seconded by Prokosch to approve Pay Estimate No. 3 to Schmidt Construction in the amount of \$27,744.27. Passed unanimously.

Municipal Building Stairs A motion was made by Lingl and seconded by Schneider to approve the estimate of \$7880 from Salonek, Inc. to replace the cement steps on the municipal building. Passed unanimously.

Township Fire Contracts A motion was made by Lingl and seconded by Prokosch to approve the 2025 Township Fire Contracts, with no change from 2024. Passed unanimously.

Learning Funhouse Lease A motion was made by Lingl and seconded by Schneider to approve the 2025 Lease Agreement with The Learning Funhouse (same as 2024). Passed unanimously.

Resolution 18-24 A motion was made by Lingl and seconded by Schneider to approve Resolution 18-24 Delegating Registration of Cannabis Retailers to Renville County. Passed unanimously.

Resolution 19-24 A motion was made by Lingl and seconded by Prokosch to approve Resolution 19-24 Designating the Municipal Building at 660 Birch Avenue in Bird Island as the Annual Polling Place in 2025. Passed unanimously.

COVID Funds

Options for spending the remaining balance of the City's COVID funds were discussed. A motion was made by Lingl and seconded by Schneider to use the remaining COVID funds for the City's sewer portion of the 2024-2025 Street and Utility Improvement project. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned.

Tracey Ahl, City Administrator