

**City of Wadena
Special City Council Minutes
Public Hearing
Thursday, February 24, 2022**

Call to Order

The Wadena City Council held a special meeting on Thursday, February 24, 2022. Mayor Deiss called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The Wadena City Council met in person in the Council Chambers. The meeting was open to the public.

Roll Call

Comprising a quorum of the City Council, the following members were present: George Deiss, Mark Lunde, Wade Miller, and Bruce Uselman. Absent: Jessie Gibbs

Action Memorandum 22-19: Approve Amendment to the Development Agreement between City of Wadena and Tri-County Health Care to reflect the New Cost of the Public Improvements after the Construction Bids have been Opened and Verified

Interim City Administrator David Evans expanded on the amendment change to reflect the new cost.

Main motion: Action Memorandum 22-19

Moved by:	Miller
Seconded by:	Lunde
Action:	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote
Roll call vote:	Deiss, Lunde, Miller, Uselman
Opposed:	None

Resolution No. 2022-15: Accepting Bid for the TCHC Utility Improvements

Interim City Administrator David Evans spoke of the engineering firm's recommendation to hire low bidder R. L. Larson for \$3,276,871.15. Spoke of the need to get supplies ordered as quickly as possible, as supplies are hard to get.

WDA Director Dean Uselman expanded on the grant application to the City for TCHC Utility Extension Project for \$3,500,000 and the possibility of losing the grant due to awarding the bid. To date we have not been awarded the grant, and the language in the notice of funding is vague regarding pre-award costs. A request from EDA for clarification has remained unanswered. He stated he wants the City Council and TCHC leadership to understand that awarding the bid prior to the grant award could disqualify the project from grant funding.

Kim Aagard, TCHC Chief Financial Officer:

- Stated she was worried about delays;
- Spoke in favor of moving forward; and
- Stated she received a text message from Joel Beiswenger, CEO TCHC, stating he agreed to move forward.

Main motion: Resolution No. 2022-15

Moved by:	Lunde
Seconded by:	Uselman
Action:	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote
Roll call vote:	Deiss, Lunde, Miller, Uselman
Opposed:	None

Action Memorandum 22-20: Approve Change Order for HVAC Changes for the New Wadena City Library Remodel

Interim City Administrator David Evans expanded on the change order details.

Main motion: Action Memorandum 22-20

Moved by:	Uselman
Seconded by:	Miller
Action:	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote
Roll call vote:	Deiss, Lunde, Miller, Uselman
Opposed:	None

Adjournment**Main motion: Adjourn at 7:07 p.m.**

Moved by:	Miller
Seconded by:	Lunde
Action:	Motion carried by unanimous voice vote
Roll call vote:	Deiss, Lunde, Miller, Uselman
Opposed:	None

David Evans, Interim City Administrator

George Deiss, Mayor