

JASPER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Open Public Hearing – January 09, 2024

The Jasper City Council of the City of Jasper met in-person on **Tuesday, January 09, 2024**

Members present: Mayor Les Nath; Council members: Deb Plahn, Brian Sievert, Tim Houg; Employees present: Trinidad Garcia Clerk/Treasurer, Asst. Clerk/Treasurer: Maggie Erickson; Public Works Superintendent: Brian Thode, Asst Public Works: Angel Garcia

Pipestone Star: Kyle Kupal

Community members: Jerry Tower, Jeff Johnson, Julie Meyer, Butch Evink, Deb Childer, Angelica Rieck, Nichole Rieck, Stella Lingen, Kiley Mills, Karla & Jeff Carstensen, Peter Luehmann, Jay Eggerud, Michelle & Arlan Johnson, Nick Baatz, Doris Mead, Paula & Mark Sanow, Josh Jones, Lisa & Kirsten Houg, Johnathan & Anna Klassen, Joseph Klassen, Daniel Klassen, Alex Johnson, Pastor & Mrs James Sickmeyer, Nathiel & A Klassen, Amy & Ken Yeager, Randy Larson, Karla Ykema, Zack Kounkel, Dustin & Shannon Burmeister, Kurt Jandl, Kim & Aaron Lape, Sherri Enger, Julie O'hara (44 Community heads were counted, not all signed in)

Les Nath called the Open Hearing meeting to order at 7:02pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance;

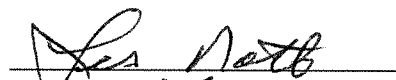
The meeting was opened with Mayor Les Nath explaining that the open meeting is to address Liquor Licensing Ordinance Section 4.52(8) – *No license shall be granted for any building within 300 feet of any public elementary or secondary school structure or within 100 feet of any church structure.* Adding with the exception of the business district.

Rules were placed on the back table next to the sign in sheet. Mayor Nath explained that speakers are to address Council directly by standing and coming up front to speak to Council. The community members were asked to keep the noise level to a minimum and speakers were asked to not repeat what others have said. The floor was opened for comments from the Community, with the reminder that the speakers have 3 minutes to speak and will need to state their name and address.

21 speakers spoke with 6 speakers addressing Council twice. 16 speakers were from the Jasper community and 5 speakers were from outside the community of Jasper. 14 speakers were for the relocation of the bar and the need to keep the business on the main street. 7 speakers were against changing the ordinance to keep the distance between the bar and Church on the main.

Mayor Nath closed the meeting with thanking everyone for coming and adjourned the meeting at 7:58p.m.


Trinidad Garcia Clerk-Treasurer


Les Nath Baustian, Mayor