

**City of Dexter  
Minutes  
September 11, 2023**

The regular meeting of the Dexter City Council was held on Monday, September 11, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. at the Dexter city hall. Council members present: Mayor Justin Forthun and council members Casey Erwin, Tim Taylor, Diane O'Connor and Christian Padilla. Others present: Emily Brinkman, Kelly Krumm, Matt Rahlf and city clerk, Natalie Carroll.

Mayor Forthun brought the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Emily Brickman, with ISG presented council with a preliminary draft of the Hydraulic Study the city requested. The study was ordered to help provide the city with information that can be utilized in the current operation and future planning of the entire water system. Hydrant flow testing, pipe sizing, water demand, pressure and current operations were all evaluated to determine what impacts the system would have if the old water tower was decommissioned.

The preliminary study showed that with the current system operation, the city would not be able to sustain adequate water pressure, utilizing only the industrial park tower without upsizing and looping existing water mains. The study showed several models on pipe upsizing and locations to improve the city's system if it were to switch to utilizing only the Industrial Park Tower. After review council asked Brickman to run a few other scenarios. Council tabled further discussion until the report is finalized.

Kelly Krumm was at the meeting to ask council about restrictions, if any, to expanding the current Dexter Mobil gas station building. Council did not see any issues with expanding the current building as the building is in a Central Business District and which makes the site more favorable to expansion.

Matt Rahlf was at the meeting to ask request a Conditional Use Permit for the expansion of his mobile home park located at 247 Pleasant Street. Rahlf wants to add 10 additional mobile homes to the park expanding the park to the recently rezoned plat to the west of the existing park. Motion by Taylor and second by Christian to call for a public hearing on the request for a Conditional Use Permit to be held on Monday, October 9, 2023 at the Dexter city hall at 6:30 p.m. All yeas. Motion carried. Council discussed what conditions would be placed on the permit. Motion by Erwin and second by Taylor to call for a special meeting to be held on Tuesday, September 19, 2023 at 6:30 p.m. for the purpose of discussion the conditions to be placed on the requested conditional use permit. All yeas. Motion carried.

Motion by O'Connor and second by Erwin to approve the September bills and to accept the August financial statements and minutes as presented. All yeas. Motion carried.

Clerk presented council with a proposed budget and levy for 2024. During discussion of the budget, motion by O'Connor and second by Taylor to approve contracting LP with Dexter LP in the amount of \$5,000.00 All yeas. Motion carried. After further review of the proposed budget and levy, motion by O'Connor and second by Erwin to approve the 2024 levy amount as

follows: General fund \$118,500; Water Fund \$30,000; Sewer Fund \$11,000; 2017 Street & Utility Bond \$10,356.00 for a total levy of \$169,856.00. All yeas. Motion carried. This reflects a small increase over the 2023 levy of \$244.00.

Motion by O'Connor and second by Erwin to hire ISG Engineering to survey and stake out the extension of South Street for upcoming improvements. All yeas. Motion carried.

Motion by Taylor and second by Erwin to adjourn the meeting. All yeas. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Natalie Carroll, Clerk