

Trimont City Council Minutes

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Regular meeting was duly held at the Trimont City Hall Building on the 15th day of December 2025 at 5:30 o'clock P.M.

The following members were present: Council Member Bradford Flohrs, Council Member Ronald Shade, Council Member Justin Lubben, Council Member Brian Krumwiede, Mayor Kevin Kuehl

Mayor Kevin Kuehl presided over the meeting.

Meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance

Community Comments:

None

Motion made by Council Member Ronald Shade, seconded by Council Member Bradford Flohrs and motion to approve Agenda with additions. 5-0

Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade, and motion to approve minutes November 17, 2025, Regular Meeting 5-0

Public Works:

The news doors on the fire hall are installed and working. Comment about how well the toolcat is working for snow removal. Trees are going to start coming down again tomorrow. Some troubles with heaters at the wastewater and water plant. One heater public works was able to fix and have a new fan coming for the other. Got a couple quotes on some new lawn mowers.

Clerk Report:

We got the town center payment today. Emails from the MPCA in regard to the infrastructure project. Blton & Menk are taking care of these. Part time officer can be a CLEO. We have received 1 application for the part time police position. Our auditor company is merging with Carlson SV. OEMS responded to the application the clerk filled out and the city will be receiving \$13,128.12 to help fund ambulance expenses.

Liquor License:

Discussion on the bar opening in town and getting a liquor license for it. **Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Member Justin Lubben, and motion to approve liquor license contingent on proof of insurance and application filled out completely. 5-0**

Sheriff Contract:

Discussion on contracting with the sheriff department for our police coverage. **Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Ronald Shade, and motion to approve Sheriff contract for law enforcement coverage. 5-0** Let the sheriff's office know that the council would like to see them patrolling the streets more and not sitting at the ballfield.

Resolution 2025-21:

Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Brian Krumwiede, and motion to approve resolution 2025-21 for a contribution. 5-0

Resolution 2025-22:

**Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Justin Lubben, and motion to approve resolution 2025-22 for a contribution. 5-0
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Resolution 2025-23:

Motion made by Council Member Ronald Shade, seconded by Council Bradford Flohrs, and motion to approve resolution 2025-23 for 2026 polling place. 5-0

Budget:

Discussion on water rates and options of how to bring in more money for the water plant. **Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Ronald Shade, and motion to approve water base rate change of 15% increase and \$2/1000 gallon usage effective January 1, 2026. 5-0** Budget changes and discussion on budget.

Committees:

Discussion on changing the committee name to liaison. **Motion made by Council Member Justin Lubben, seconded by Council Bradford Flohrs, and motion to approve change committees to liaison. 5-0**

Collaboration:

Council felt it went well. **Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Ronald Shade, and motion to approve continue with collaboration. 5-0**

Wi-Fi:

Discussion on the city wi-fi, cyber security and a cell phone booster. Maybe the possibility of a guest network. **Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Ronald Shade, and motion to approve purchase of a new cell phone booster from Verizon add a guest Wi-Fi connection. 5-0 Amended motion**

Closed Meeting: 7:34pm

Minnesota Statue 13D.05 Sub. 2(b) **Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Justin Lubben, and motion to approve closing meeting. 5-0**

Open Meeting: 7:48 pm

Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Ronald Shade, and motion to approve 3rd party investigation. 4-0 Mayor Kevin Kuehl abstaining. Motion made by Mayor Kevin Kuehl, seconded by Council Justin Lubben, and motion to approve Council Member Ronald Shade for Flaherty and Hood contact. 5-0

Consent Agenda:

Motion made by Council Member Bradford Flohrs, seconded by Council Justin Lubben, and motion to approve consent agenda. 5-0

Approval of paying the following bills

Nov Bills

AMERICAN WELDING & GAS INC	\$40.13	
BADGER METER	\$345.51	

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BEVCOMM, INC	\$816.22	
BIRKHOLZ & ASSOCIATES, LLC	\$209.18	341 Apple St E service fees
BOUND TREE MEDICAL LLC	\$148.24	
CARDMEMBER SERVICE	\$161.26	
CENEX FLEET FUELING	\$181.26	
CUSTOM ELECTRIC LLC	\$611.50	Fire Hall doors
ECOONO SIGNS	\$478.88	Safety Money
FLAHERTY & HOOD PA	\$990.00	
GENERATOR SYSTEM SERVICES	\$2,111.38	
GOPHER STATE ONE CALL, IN	\$6.75	
HAWKINS WATER TREATMENT GROUP,	\$3,344.39	
IBEW LOCAL UNION 160	\$252.02	
INDOFF INC.	\$17.99	
KUEHL S ELECTRIC INC.	\$827.39	filter floats
KUEHL S ELECTRIC INC.	\$72.44	relay part only
MARTIN COUNTY SHERIFF	\$19,687.50	Aug 1 - Nov 15, 2025
MAXWELL EUGENE LONGLEY	\$1,500.00	
MELSON WELDING	\$357.17	AD-9 Air Dryer
METERING & TECHNOLOGY SOLUTION	\$52.69	3 frost plates
MIDWEST GARAGE DOORS-FAIRMONT	\$33,470.00	Fire Hall doors
MINN. DEPT OF HEALTH	\$826.00	4th quarter MDH charge
MOORE AND ACE INC.	\$63.32	
NCI	\$307.72	Pumper regen
NORTH CENTRAL LABORATORIE	\$103.50	
NUWAY COOPERATIVE	\$1,531.20	
PAULSON HEATING & COOLING	\$116.88	heater in water plant
PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT AS	\$2,975.00	SVF Contribution 2025
SOUTH CENTRAL ELECTRIC ASSN	\$4,407.79	
W.W. GOETSCH ASSOCIATES, INC.	\$3,388.00	rails in reclaim basin
WEST BEND INSURANCE	\$100.00	

2025	November EFT Payments
PERA	\$ 987.90
State of Minnesota	\$ 597.53
EFTPS	\$ 1,412.75
FMPC	\$ 4,223.00
Reliance	\$ 75.20
Cardmember services	\$ 161.26
Verizon	\$ 195.25
Farmers State Bank	
US Post office	\$ 206.18

Other Business:

Council Member Flohrs discussion on solar radar for speed coming into town. Council Member Krumwiede has been in contact with Melson's regarding the old schoolhouse. They have the building insured and have signed off on the city being responsible for it. Council Member Shade is going to work with the fire department and Clerk on what they get paid for.

Motion made by Council Member Brian Krumwiede, seconded by Council Member Bradford Flohrs.

Motion carried. To adjourn meeting. 5-0

8:00 pm

Kevin Kuehl, Mayor

Attest: Kelli Harder, City Clerk/ Treasurer