

**A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

\_\_Nisly \_\_Schmidt \_\_Schenk \_\_Garretson \_\_Fairbanks \_\_Scofield

**B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (ADDITIONS/DELETIONS)**

**D. CITIZEN COMMENTS**

**E. HEARINGS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS & RECOGNITIONS**

**F. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting, January 9, 2023
2. Approval of Invoices

Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_ Vote \_\_\_\_\_

**G. ACTION ITEMS**

1. Removal of Shae Barajas Brooks from the position of fire chief

Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_ Vote \_\_\_\_\_

2. Approval of Mayor Brian Garretson’s Appointment of Greg Henke to fill fire chief vacancy.

Motion \_\_\_\_\_ Second \_\_\_\_\_ Vote \_\_\_\_\_

**H. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. Misc. Issues

**I. CITY ADMINISTRATOR’S REPORT**

**J. GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS**

**K. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

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## **MINUTES for January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2023 Council Meeting**

All members of the council were present along with City Administrator Joseph Turner and City Attorney Mark Tremaine.

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Before opening up the citizen comments portion of the agenda, Mayor Matt Nisly addressed rumors circulating on social media that the City of South Hutchinson had engaged in any discussions internally or with the City of Hutchinson about consolidation of the respective fire departments. He stated that these rumors were false and simply not true.

Kara Malloy: Addressed the council and expressed concerns about the direction the City Council was heading with respect to the fire department and to speak in favor of Chief Shae Barajas-Brooks and keeping the South Hutchinson Fire Department independent.

Don Tolbert: Addressed the council to express his concerns and frustrations about how he was treated as an employ of the South Hutchinson Public Housing Authority. He believes that the current board members were appointed illegitimately and argued that Mayor Matt Nisly and the Council should remove those members and that the Council should engage in greater oversight of the organization.

**E. HEARINGS, PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS & RECOGNITIONS**

- 1. Election of Mayor
  - a. Motion to open nominations for Mayor

Motion \_\_Fairbanks\_\_      Second\_\_Scofield\_\_    Vote: 5-0

Fairbanks nominated Matt Nisly to be mayor.  
Schmidt nominated Brian Garretson to be mayor.

- b. Motion to close nominations for Mayor

Motion \_\_Fairbanks\_\_      Second\_\_Schmidt\_\_    Vote: 5-0

- c. Election of Mayor (majority vote)

Nisly received two votes (Fairbanks and Nisly) and Garretson received four votes (Schmidt, Schenk, Scofield, and Garretson)

2. Election of President of the Council

- a. Motion to open nominations for President of the Council

Motion \_\_Scofield\_\_ Second \_\_Fairbanks\_\_ Vote: 5-0

Garretson nominated Schmidt  
Schmidt nominated Scofield

- b. Motion to close nominations for President of the Council

Motion \_\_Schmidt\_\_ Second \_\_Fairbanks\_\_ Vote: 5-0

- c. Motion to elect President of the Council

Schmidt received five votes (Garretson, Schenk, Fairbanks, Scofield, and Schmidt)  
Scofield received one vote (Nisly)

F. **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting, December 12, 2022
2. Approval of Invoices

Motion \_Scofield\_ Second\_Schmidt\_ Vote: 5-0

G. **ACTION ITEMS**

1. Authorize City Administrator Joseph Turner to become Acting City Clerk

Motion \_Schmidt\_ Second\_Schenk\_ Vote: 5-0

H. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

1. City Hall Staffing & Hours of Operations

Due to city hall staffing issues, City Administrator Turner expressed a desire to close city hall to public business one day a week so that staff could cross train.

Council supported the request and asked for as much notice as possible to be given to the public.

2. Board of Zoning Appeals Updates

City Administrator Turner updated council on the two upcoming zoning change requests related to the cell tower and Open Arms Daycare located at 6<sup>th</sup> & Main.

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Motion \_Scofield\_ Second\_Schmidt\_ Vote: 5-0

**2022 Monthly Water and Sewer Accounts**

<b>Month</b>	<b>Res Acct.</b>	<b>Com Act</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>New</b>	<b>Disconnect</b>	<b>Late</b>
January	851	213	1064	9	9	112 Res 11 Comm
February	848	211	1059	8	10	115 Res 12 Comm
March	849	212	1061	9	13	114 Res 11 Comm
April	849	211	1060	11	9	127 Res 4 Comm
May	848	211	1059	8	15	113 Res 7 Comm
June	846	211	1057	13	18	130 Res 12 Comm
July	844	213	1057	19	10	129 Res 16 Comm
Aug	848	214	1062	15	14	126 Res 6 Comm
September	850	219	1069	6	12	132 Res 17 Comm
October	856	221	1077	12	23	139 Res 9 Comm
November	846	224	1070	12	9	155 Res 11 Comm
December	847	223	1070	10	11	117 Res 18 Comm