

**MINUTES
CLOSED COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF BIRCHWOOD VILLAGE
March 14, 2023
6:15pm**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Ford calls the meeting to order at 6:18 PM.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Margaret Ford, Councilmembers: Mark Foster, Justin McCarthy, Ryan Hankins,

STAFF PRESENT: City Administrator Rebecca Kellen

OTHERS PRESENT: City Attorney Alan Kantrud, LMC (League of Minnesota Cities) Attorney Paul Merwin, City Engineer Steven Thatcher

Mayor Ford moved to hold a closed meeting of the Birchwood City Council under MN STAT. 13D.05 Subd. 3(b) which permits a meeting to be closed to the public when an attorney-client privileged matter is discussed. The purpose of the meeting was to receive advice from Attorney Paul Merwin regarding active litigation in the Nicklaus v. City of Birchwood case.

Council member McCarthy asked a clarifying question of Paul Merwin regarding the limits of discussion regarding any permits pending before the City. Mr Merwin stated that no decisions or actions would be taken during the closed meeting on permits.

Mayor Ford made a motion to close the meeting. Council member McCarthy seconded the motion to close the meeting. All present approved.

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:45 PM.

ATTEST


MAYOR MARGARET FORD


CITY CLERK REBECCA KELLEN

