

Pursuant to due call and proper notice thereof, a meeting of the Breckenridge City Council was held on September 20, 2021, at 5:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, Breckenridge, Minnesota.

Members Present: Mayor Russell Wilson; Council Members Rick Busko, Jason Butts, Reed Johnson, and James Jawaski. City Administrator Renae Smith.

Members Absent: Chris Vedder and Scott Wermerskirchen.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Council Member Jawaski moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Council Member Johnson and carried unanimously.

Open Discussion:

- Breckenridge School Superintendent Brad Strand gave a presentation on the school referendum that will be coming to an election vote on November 2, 2021. For any questions, residents can go to the school's website, as there is a separate link with all of the referendum information on it. People can always contact Mr. Strand for more information as well.
- Elizabeth Wefel from the Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities gave an update on some of the projects they have been working on and thanked the City for their continuing support.

Motion by Council Member Jawaski to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Council Member Butts and carried unanimously. The Consent Agenda included the following:

- A. Motion to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting on September 7, 2021.
- B. Motion to approve the filing of the minutes from the Breckenridge Public Utilities meeting of September 7, 2021.
- C. Motion approving the purchase of a Flail Mower from Bobcat of Wahpeton in the amount of \$8,980 for the mowing of the dikes. (Fund 409 – Dike & Diversion Maintenance)
- D. Motion approving the purchase of hauled rock to be used in the Diversion at \$36.50/ton from Krause Brothers. Approximately 24 tons is needed. (Fund 409 – Dike & Diversion Maintenance)

- E. Motion approving the cleaning of sediment from the Diversion inlet at \$3.00/CY from Comstock Construction. Approximately 1300 yards would be cleaned. (Fund 409 – Dike & Diversion Maintenance)
- F. Motion approving the purchase of a spiral slide (for the park by the pool) from St. Croix Recreation of Stillwater, MN in the amount of \$9,988.28. (Capital Outlay fund)
- G. Motion approving the installation of a new air conditioner unit at the Breckenridge Senior Center in the amount of \$2,973.49 from Town & Country Heating, Cooling, and Refrigeration.
- H. Motion approving the purchase of a 2015 CAT forklift from Herc-U-Lift of Maple Plaine, MN in the amount of \$16,000. The Public Works portion will be \$4,000 (Capital Outlay Fund) and the Public Utilities portion \$12,000.
- I. Motion approving a Raffle Permit and Gambling Exempt Permit for St. Mary's Church and School.
- J. Motion approving a Raffle Permit for the Breckenridge Lions Club.
- K. Motion approving a Tree Planting Reimbursement Form for the City of Breckenridge.

Council Member Johnson offered Resolution No. 13185-80/2021, **"A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE HIRING OF OLIVIA RUDE AS A FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICER FOR THE BRECKENRIDGE POLICE DEPARTMENT,"** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Busko and carried unanimously. Olivia was working part-time for the City. Officer Miller recently resigned, so she will be taking his full-time position.

Border Cities Tax Credits Public Hearing. There were no comments. Council Member Butts offered Resolution No. 13186-81/2021, **"A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ENTERPRISE ZONE CREDIT APPLICATION AND CLASSIFYING CERTAIN BUSINESSES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BRECKENRIDGE PORT AUTHORITY,"** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Jawaski and carried unanimously.

Council Member Busko offered Resolution No. 13187-82/2021, **"A RESOLUTION APPROVING AN INCREASE IN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT RELIEF ASSOCIATION ANNUAL PENSION CONTRIBUTION FROM \$1,300 TO \$1,500,"** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Johnson and carried unanimously. The last time an increase was made was in 2014. The pensions are fully self-funded by the Relief Association.

Along with a meeting salary list, Council Member Butts offered Resolution No. 13188-83/2021, **"A RESOLUTION ALLOWING THE BILLS AND CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY OF BRECKENRIDGE,**

MINNESOTA,” and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Busko and carried unanimously.

Council Member Johnson offered Resolution No. 13189-84/2021, **“A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY CLERK’S OFFICE TO ADVERTISE AND RECEIVE SEALED BIDS FOR CERTAIN PROPERTY LOCATED IN NORTH GOLF VIEW HEIGHTS,”** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Butts and carried. Council Member Jawaski abstained from the vote, and Mayor Wilson voted in favor of the vote. The new property owners will need to apply to the Corps for a Section 408 process in order to construct a driveway over the levee. If it is denied, the purchase agreement will be null and void and the City will retain the property.

Mayor’s Comments:

- Motion appointing Chris Vedder to the Planning Commission.

Comments:

- The NDSCS Homecoming parade will be this Saturday.

Motion by Council Member Busko to adjourn the meeting at 6:06 p.m. Seconded by Council Member Johnson and carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

RUSSELL WILSON, Mayor

RENAE SMITH, City Administrator