

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SLEEPY EYE,
BROWN COUNTY, MINNESOTA

The regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Sleepy Eye was duly held in the Council Chambers, 200 Main Street East, Sleepy Eye, MN on the 10th day of January 2023 at 7:00 pm, per due call and notice.

Mayor Wayne Pelzel and Councilors Gary Windschitl, Nathan Stevermer, Douglas Pelzel, Christina Andres and Scott Krzmarzick were present.

City Manager Bob Elston, City Clerk Michelle Strate, Public Works Director Mike Hardin, Chief Matt Andres, Officer Crystal Ostermann and City Attorney Alissa Fischer Groen were also present.

Newly elected County Commissioner Brian Braun addressed the Council to thank the community for their support and to let us know that he is here for us to contact and be of service to us.

M/Krzmarzick, S/Andres, to accept the Minutes of December 13, 2022 Regular Meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

M/Pelzel, S/Windschitl to approve Resolution 1-2023, A Resolution Accepting Donations to the City of Sleepy Eye. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Pelzel called for a vote to reappoint Stevermer as Council President. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Pelzel made the following appointments: Alissa Fischer Groen as City Attorney; Dr. John Pelzel as Health Officer; Matthew Ibberson as Weed Inspector; Carter Fromm to Park Board; Greg Gangelhoff to Hospital Board; Lennie Neid and Toby Arneson to the Airport Board; Kate Nelson, Jenny Blick and Mindy Hardin to the Library Board; Tom Larson and Kayla Jacobsen to Downtown Revitalization Committee; Mark Kober and Casey Coulson to EDA; Carol Hittesdorf to Housing & Redevelopment Authority; M/Stevermer, S/Pelzel to approve the Mayor's appointments. Motion carried 5-0.

M/Stevermer, S/Windschitl to approve the designation of official city newspaper as Herald Dispatch and City depositories as First Security Bank, SouthPoint Financial Credit Union and Americana Community Bank. Motion carried 5-0.

M/Windschitl, S/Stevermer granting permission to City Manager and City Clerk to invest City funds. Motion carried 5-0.

M/Andres, S/Krzmarzick approving hospital board salaries. Motion carried 5-0.

There was a discussion regarding an offer on a lot in Sleepy Hollow 5th Addition. The Council would like to see lots that are already platted sell first, or if unplatted, then selling them consecutively from current platted lots.

The Council is considering increasing the allowable square footage for an out-building on a residential lot. The current maximum is 1008 square feet. This will be discussed further at Finance Meeting on January 25, 2023 at noon.

City Attorney Groen report:

- A. Councilor Stevermer called for Second Reading of Ordinance #210, An Ordinance Selling Real Estate to AllStor Public Storage and Entering into Option to Purchase Agreement with AllStor Public Storage. S/Krzmarzick. Motion carried 5-0.

City Manager Elston report:

- A. M/Pelzel, S/Andres to allow Public Works Director Mike Hardin to purchase a snow blower for up to \$90,000.00

Correspondence in the packet from Sleepy Eye Sportsmens Club thanking the City for donation to their club house addition. There will be an open house in the Summer of 2023 for all to come see the addition.

M/Stevermer, S/Pelzel approved Police Report and Cash Fund Balances. Motion carried 5-0.

M/Andres, S/Krzmarzick to approve the payment of bills. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting property adjourned at 7:57 pm

Wayne Pelzel, Mayor

Michelle Strate, City Clerk