

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 9<sup>th</sup> day of January 2024 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 Taylor Bolinger and City Attorney Alissa Fischer Groen were also present.

M/Windschitl, S/Krzmarzick, to accept the Minutes of December 12, 2023 Regular Meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

M/Stevermer, S/Krzmarzick made a motion to elect Councilor Christina Andres as Council President. Motion carried 5-0.

M/Pelzel, S/Windschitl to approve Resolution 1-2024, A Resolution Accepting Donations to the City of Sleepy Eye. 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; Heidi Braulick and Robert Schmid to Park Board; Randy Reinarts and Julia Coulson to Hospital Board; Charles Moldaschel and Tom Pelzel to the Airport Board; Trista Barka to the Library Board; Joann Schmidt to Downtown Revitalization Committee; Robert Zinniel, Larry Pelzel, Gwen Goettig Ruddy and George Schwint to the Planning and Zoning Committee, Mike Carr to EDA; Joe Bruggeman to Housing & Redevelopment Authority; M/Pelzel, S/Stevermer to approve the Mayor's appointments. Motion carried 5-0.

Brent Kucera with RVS was present to discuss the tipping fees increasing at the Landfill by 18%. RVS is requesting an increase of 5% for garbage pickup. M/Windschitl, S/Stevermer to approve the 5% increase. Motion carried 5-0.

M/Stevermer, S/Andres not to object to an exempt gambling permits for United Way of the Brown County Area for February 1, 2024, Brown County Pheasants Forever for March 23, 2024 and St. Mary's Knights of Columbus for April 14, 2024. Motion carried 5-0.

M/Stevermer, S/Krzmarzick to approve the designation of official city newspaper as Herald Dispatch. Motion carried 5-0.

M/Andres, S/Pelzel to approve City depositories as First Security Bank, SouthPoint Financial Credit Union and Americana Community Bank. Motion carried 5-0.

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

M/Steevermer, S/Windschitl approving hospital board salaries. Motion carried 5-0.

M/Windschitl, S/Andres to approve the 2024 Election Judges for the PNP to be held on March 5, 2024 as: Diane Maurer, Eva Thoms, DeeAnn Gieseke, Jane Fischer, Maggie Kuebler, Rita Weiss, Carol Wendland, Vickie Kral, Amber Sommerfeld, Bob Elston, Denise Ludewig, Michelle Strate and Joann Schmidt. Motion carried 5-0.

M/Krzmarzick, S/Steevermer to approve Resolution 2-2024 a lot split for the Furniture Gallery. This would split one lot and combine two tax parcels. Motion carried 5-0.

M/Pelzel, S/Andres to approve Resolution 3-2024 granting conditional use permit for business use of residential property for Borth Memorial. Planning and Zoning did recommend granting the conditional use permit. Motion carried 5-0.

City Attorney Groen report:

- A. Working on the Personnel Policy to add ESST language. Will have it ready for February meeting.

City Manager Elston report:

- A. Recommending a finance meeting on January 24<sup>th</sup> at noon

M/Steevermer, 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.

County Commissioner Brian Braun gave an update on the County Commission meetings.

Meeting property adjourned at 7:30 pm

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Wayne Pelzel, Mayor

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Michelle Strate, City Clerk