

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 11th day of March 2025 at 7:00 pm, per due call and notice.

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

City Manager Bob Elston, City Clerk Michelle Strate, Chief Matt Andres, PUC Director Mike Hardin, City Engineer Matt Miller and City Attorney Alissa Fischer Groen were also present.

M/Krzmarzick, S/Stevermer, to approve the Minutes of February 11th, 2025 Regular Meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

M/Windschitl, S/Andres to approve Resolution 4-2025, A Resolution Accepting Donations to the City of Sleepy Eye. Motion carried 5-0.

Leon Steffl and Alex Bruggeman from the Sleepy Eye Fire Department were present to request an increase in the firefighter pension. They are currently at \$2,500.00 for each year of service and are requesting to go to \$2,800 per year of service. The current funding level is at 137% and with the increase the funding level would be at 120%. M/Stevermer, S/Andres to approve the increase. Motion carried 4-0, with Councilor Krzmarzick abstaining.

City Engineer Matt Miller gave update that bid opening for the airport pavement project will be on March 20, 2025. Also gave update on the cost of the new mower that we have been approved for. The cost will be \$24,700.00, with the City being responsible for 10% of the cost, and the remaining amount is a grant.

City Attorney Groen report:

1. Councilor Stevermer called for First Reading of Ordinance #227, To Acquire Additional Strip of Land from Brown County. Property is located along the north property line of Kibble Equipment.
2. M/Pelzel, S/Andres to approve Resolution 5-2025. A Resolution Ordering the Razing, Removing, or Correction of Conditions of a Hazardous Building Located at 132 Main St E., Sleepy Eye with the one correction of allowing 90 days to take care of the issue instead of 30 days. Motion carried 5-0.

City Manager Elston report:

- A. LMC annual conference is June 25-27 in Duluth, Minnesota. Early registration discount deadline is May 2nd.

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

M/Andres, S/Pelzel approval of the payment of bills. Motion carried 5-0.

Meeting property adjourned at 7:34 pm

Joann Schmidt, Mayor

Michelle Strate, City Clerk