

**Breezy Point City Council
November 4, 2024 - 6:30 pm
Regular Meeting Minutes**

The meeting of the Breezy Point City Council was called to order by Mayor Angel Zierden at 6:30 p.m. Roll Call was taken by Interim City Administrator Jerry Bohnsack. Councilmembers present were Rebecca Ball, Steve Jensen, and Michael Moroni. Brad Scott was absent. Staff present included Interim City Administrator Jerry Bohnsack, Deputy Clerk Deb Runksmeier, Finance Specialist Janette Rust, Police Chief Brian Sandell, Zoning Administrator Peter Gansen, and Public Works Supervisor Joe Zierden. All stood for the pledge of allegiance.

Approval/Amendment of the Agenda

MOTION MORONI/BALL TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED, MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Equipment Certificate Sale

Mikaela Huot with Baker Tilly spoke about the sale of equipment certificate and answered questions of the council.

MOTION BALL/MORONI TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 27-2024 SALE OF EQUIPMENT CERTIFICATES PRINCIPAL AMMOUNT \$1,450,000, MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Shoreview Lane Repairs

Dave Reese of Widseth spoke about the bids received for the Shoreview Lane repairs project. Recommend to council to accept lowest bid from Gladen Construction with plans to start work soon and complete this fall.

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO ACCEPT PROPOSAL BY GLADEN CONSTRUCTION AS BID OF \$120,637.65 FOR SHOREVIEW LANE REPAIRS, MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Open Forum – No one spoke

Consent Agenda

- A. October 7, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
- B. Approval of Claims Totaling \$161,140.27
- C. 2025 Liquor License Renewal
- D. Sourcewell Grant for Community Garden

MOTION JENSEN/BALL TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED, MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Assess Sewer Bills to Taxes

Public Hearing was opened by Mayor Zierden. No one of the public spoke. Interim Administrator Bohnsack spoke for property 8773 North Drive that paid and will be removed from list. Public hearing was closed.

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 28-2024 OF ASSESSING DELINQUENT SEWER BILLS TO TAXES AS LISTED IN PACKET WITH REMOVAL OF 8773 NORTH DRIVE, MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Ordinance No Camping on Public Property

Public Hearing was opened by Mayor Zierden. Interim Administrator Bohnsack spoke of the first reading in October and the notice of public hearing for tonight. Will prohibit camping on public land. Adoption of Ordinance will Amend Chapter 132 of the City Code.

MOTION BALL/MORONI TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2024-02 TO PROHIBIT CAMPING ON PUBLIC PROPERTY, MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Cannabis Ordinance

Interim Administrator Bohnsack gave background on regulating cannabis sales in the city. Moratorium to expire December 31, 2024 and cannot be extended. Sample ordinance in packet follows state guidelines. Need to determine the buffer distances from specific properties. Will continue discussion at November workshop and have police staff input with the second reading of the ordinance set for December council meeting. Will need to amend zoning ordinance for cannabis. Councilmember Moroni clarified that state requires us to have one location for retail. Staff will provide neighboring city's ordinance for comparison. Councilmember Jensen stated that he does not want to allow growing cannabis in the city.

Community Garden Application and Guidelines

Public Works Supervisor Joe Zierden spoke about the items presented in the packet. Councilmember Jensen requested for the fee to be paid at the time the application is received. Councilmember Ball questioned the specific number of plots available. Need to update on form. Plan to start selling plots in January 2025.

MOTION MORONI/BALL TO APPROVE COMMUNITY GARDEN APPLICATION AND GUIDELINES, MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Finance Specialist Wage

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO APPROVE FINANCE SPECIALIST WAGE \$5 PER HOUR INCREASE STARTING SEPTEMBER 4, 2024 THROUGH TWO TO FOUR WEEKS AFTER NEW CITY ADMINISTRATOR BEGINS EMPLOYMENT, MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Canvass 2024 Election date set

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO SCHEDULE SPECAIL COUNCIL MEETING TO CANVASS 2024 ELECTION RESULTS ON TUESDAY NOVEMBER 12, 2024 AT 4:30 PM WITH WORKSHOP TO FOLLOW, MOTION CARRIED 4-0

Speed Study near Brush Site

Chief Sandell spoke about the speed study results from Dakota Drive. Mayor Zierden would like a study of Suffolk Drive in the Spring.

Staff Reports

Interim Administrator Bohnsack spoke about using firms for hiring new administrator. Two proposals in the packet. Will come back to December meeting with additional information. Mayor Zierden and Councilmember Ball agree with using a firm for hiring.

Bohnsack gave update on City Hall construction project. Plan to vacate meeting room after December council meeting. Looking at use of the Public Safety building for council meetings. Pelican Lakes Conservation Club is another option for meetings.

Public Works Supervisor Joe Zierden shared about current projects at the cemetery and the progress of the Community Garden.

Mayor and Council Reports - None

Agenda Forecast

Final Levy and Cannabis for December Council Meeting.

Adjourn

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO ADJOURN, CARRIED 4-0

Meeting ended at 7:19 p.m.

Deb Runksmeier, Deputy City Clerk