

Breezy Point City Council
April 3, 2023 - 6:30 pm
Regular Meeting Minutes

The meeting of the Breezy Point City Council was called to order by Angel Zierden at 6:30 p.m. Councilmembers present were Rebecca Ball, Steve Jensen, Michael Moroni, and Brad Scott. Staff present included Administrator Clerk David Chanski, Assistant Administrator Daniel Eick, Deputy Clerk Deb Runksmeier, Police Chief Brian Sandell, and Public Works Supervisor Joe Zierden. All present stood for the pledge of allegiance.

Approval/Amendment of the Agenda

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.
MOTION CARRIED 5-0,

Open Forum

Diane Williams - 32744 Northwoods Lane
Lisa Baer - 29726 Lakeshore Drive

Consent Agenda

- A. March 6, 2023 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
- B. March 17, 2023 Special City Council Meeting Minutes
- C. Approval of Claims Totaling \$96,270.41
- D. Appoint Darlene Erickson to Cemetery Commission
- E. Appoint Lia Baer to Cemetery Commission
- F. Sourcewell Community Impact Funding Grant Approval

MOTION MORONI/BALL TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Consideration of RFP for Health Insurance Broker

City Administrator Chanski presented a request from staff to issue a Request for Proposal for health insurance broker services. He shared that the City has had its current broker since 2017, and, while there have been no significant issues with the City's broker, it is general best practice to quote professional services at least every 5 years.

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO APPROVE STAFF TO ISSUE REQUEST FOR QUOTES FOR HEALTH INSURANCE BROKER OF 2024, 2025, AND 2026 BENEFITS, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

2023 Tort Liability Waiver

City Administrator Chanski shared that the City Council is statutorily required

annually to decide whether to waive its tort liability limits as part of its League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust insurance renewal. City Administrator Chanski did not recommend waiving the liability limits.

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO NOT WAIVE THE STATUTORY TORT LIABILITY LIMITS FOR 2023, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Airport Request for Use of Tables and Chairs

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO APPROVE BREEZY POINT AIRPORT USE OF TABLES AND CHAIRS FOR MAY 6 AVIATION DAY EVENT, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Direction on Continuation of Disc Golf Course Expansion

Mayor Zierden asked for adjacent property owners to speak about solutions to the expansion. Residents that spoke were:

Tracy and Jonathan Kurten - 31709 Green Scene Drive

Bill and Lisa Toft - 31877 Green Scene Drive

Tim Olsen - 31908 Blue Ridge Drive

Valarie Wallin - 31894 Blue Ridge Drive

Following public comment, the City Council began its discussion on the issue of the disc golf course expansion. Councilmember Jensen shared that he would like to send the issue back to the Parks & Recreation Committee for review.

Councilmember Scott questioned why the disc golf course was even needed and what the public purpose of the disc golf course was. Councilmember Moroni agreed that he liked the idea of sending the issue back to Parks & Recreation for review and also addressed previously raised public comments that he should abstain for any vote on the issue.

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO ALLOW COUNCILMEMBER MORONI TO VOTE ON DISC GOLF COURSE EXPANSION ISSUE, MOTION PASSED 3-1 AND MORONI OBSTAINED

Further discussions was had among the City Council. Councilmember Ball agreed that reviewing the expansion appropriate, and it makes senses to take a pause. She also added that any direction given to the Parks & Recreation Committee needed to be clear and that she does not want to start over. Mayor Zierden stated the she also thought a pause in the project would be a good thing and that residents should work with staff to resolve issues.

During discussion, Travis Moser of 32433 Cedar Street was recognized to speak.

MOTION SCOTT TO RESTORE THE DISC GOLF COURSE TO ITS NATURAL STATE, MOTION FAILED DUE TO LACK OF SECOND

The following individuals were recognized to speak:

Mike Cuffe - 32475 Cedar Street

Sandy Logelin - 31694 Ranchette Drive

MOTION BALL/ZIERDEN TO MOVE FORWARD WITH DISC GOLF EXPANSION AND PAUSE TO ALLOW RESIDENTS TO WORK WITH STAFF ON SOLUTION TO BE BROUGHT BACK IN JUNE. ADDITIONALLY, TO NOTIFY ALL PROPERTIES ALONG THE DISC GOLF COURSE EXPANSION AND DIRECT THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE TO LOOK AT OTHER USES IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DISC GOLF COURSE, MOTION FAILED 2-3

Diane Williams of 32744 Northwoods Lane and Tom Lillehei of 7460 Fairway Lane and Travis Moser were recognized to speak.

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO SEND THE ISSUE OF THE DISC GOLF COURSE EXPANSION BACK TO THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE IN MAY TO REVIEW ALTERNATIVE USES OF THE PROPERTY AND IF A DISC GOLF COURSE IS STILL THE BEST USE OF THE LAND. AND HAVE STAFF SIMULTANEOUSLY WORK WITH ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS ON POSSIBLE SOLUTIONS TO BE PRESENTED TO THE CITY COUNCIL IN JUNE PENDING A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE. MOTION CARRIED 3-2

Staff Reports

City Administrator Chanski reminded the City Council on the public of the Board of Appeal & Equalization meeting that will be held on Wednesday, April 19 at 10:00a.m. in the City Council Chambers.

Adjourn

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN FOR MEETING TO CONTINUE MEETING ON APRIL 19, 2023 AT 10 AM, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

David Chanski, Administrator/Clerk