

Breezy Point City Council
September 3, 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 City Administrator Chanski. Councilmembers present were Rebecca Ball, Steve Jensen, Michael Moroni, and Brad Scott. Staff present included City Administrator/Clerk David Chanski, Deputy Clerk Deb Runksmeier, Police Chief Brian Sandell, Planning & Zoning Administrator Peter Gansen, and Public Works Supervisor Joe Zierden. City Engineer Nick Peterson of Widseth was present. All stood for the pledge of allegiance.

Approval/Amendment of the Agenda

Councilmember Scott questioned why there was no closed session and how the agenda changed.

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AMENDED, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Resignation of City Administrator

City Attorney Joe Langel spoke about information given to the council including the resignation of City Administrator David Chanski and a statement in response to a investigation report and his employment agreement for resignation reasons due to hostile work environment. Clarified language in employment contract separation agreement including termination benefits with date of September 7, 2024. The agreement will waive all claims against the City of Breezy Point.

MOTION MORONI/BALL TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF DAVID CHANSKI WITH SEPARTATION AGREEMENT PROVIDED AS FINAL DAY OF SEPTEMBER 7, 2024, MOTION CARRIED 3-2, JENSEN AND SCOTT OPPOSED

Open Forum

Brent Buschmann - 10890 Ottawa Trail
Travis Moser - 32433 Cedar Street
Denise Simpson – 31902 Robinhood Lane
Tom Lillehei - 7460 Fairway Lane

2025 Preliminary Budget & Levy Presentation, Public Hearing, and Adoption
City Administrator Chanski presented the 2024 Preliminary Budget & Levy.

MOTION MORONI/BALL TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 20-2024 SETTING A PRELIMINARY LEVY OF \$3,385,608 GENERAL FUND BUDGET AND SETTING THE FINAL BUDGET HEARING FOR DECEMBER 2, 2024 AT 6:30PM, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Police Study Petition

Terry Sjoberg of 29555 Percheron Drive spoke to the council about a signed petition she submitted to the council for conducting a traffic study on Percheron, Belgium, Suffolk, and Dakota Drives. The recent location change of the brush/compost sight has increased traffic and created more safety concerns.

MOTION SCOTT/BALL TO DIRECT STAFF TO CONDUCT SPEED STUDY IN PERCHERON DRIVE AREA, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Consent Agenda

- A. August 5, 2024 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes
- B. August 19, 2024 City Council Workshop Minutes
- C. Approval of Claims Totaling \$507,635.20
- D. Resolution 21-2024 Donations to Community Garden
- E. Resolution 22-2024 Donations to Cemetery
- F. Police Department Policy Updates
- G. LG214 Lawful Gambling Premises Permit – Breezy Point Figure Skating Club

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

Disc Golf Sign Donations

Shane Humphry with the Breezy Point Disc Golf Club spoke of the course name signs to be donated for the disc golf courses.

MOTION MORONI/BALL TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 23-24 TO ACCEPT SIGN DONATION FOR DISC GOLF COURSES, MOTION CARRIED 4-1, SCOTT OPPOSED

Small Pavilion Location

Administrator Chanski informed the council of the Parks and Recreation Committee location suggestions for moving the small pavilion when the city hall renovations begin.

Member of the Parks and Recreation Committee Megan Zierden and Bill Toft shared what was discussed at their August Meeting.

MOTION SCOTT/JENSEN TO DIRECT PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE TO LOCATE PAVILION IN BASKETBALL COURT AREA OR EAGLE VIEW ELEMENTARY, MOTION CARRIED 4-1, ZIERDEN OPPOSED

Disc Golf Course Bathrooms

Administrator Chanski explained the recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Committee to not place an addition portable bathroom on disc golf course.

Bill Toft a Parks and Recreation Committee Member shared explanation for requested an additional bathroom

MOTION MORONI/BALL TO DIRECT STAFF TO FURTHER INVESTIGATE ALL LOCATIONSOPTIONS FOR PLACING ADDITION BATHROOM AT DISC GOLF COURSE, MOTION CARRIED 4-1, SCOTT OPPOSED

Food Drive Request

Councilmember Jensen spoke about request for food drive held at city hall.

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO CONDUCT FOOD DRIVE NOVEMBER 18, 2024 THROUGH JANUARY 6, 2025, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Council conducted a short recess from 8:47 p.m. to 8:53 p.m.

City Hall Project Bonding

Administrator Chanski spoke about request from council to bring back information from August meeting with comparison information, call out options, and different bonding scenarios. Mikaela Huot with Baker Tilly presented bonding options for \$2.95 million, \$2.5 million, and \$2 million and answered questions from the Council.

Councilmember Jensen asked if the City Hall project can be stopped and also understands the need for facility improvements for staff. How much can you bond for of paying \$280,000 cash? The full 3,030,000 can be bonded.

Councilmember Ball suggested waiting until March 2025 to see how other project work.

Clarified that invoices for city hall project will be monthly.

MOTION MORONI/BALL TO DISCUSS BONDING OPTIONS FOR CITY HALL IN THE BEGINNING OF 2025, MOTION CARRIED 3-2, JENSEN AND SCOTT OPPOSED

MOTION MORONI/BALL TO START BONDING PROCESS FOR BONDING OF FIRE TRUCK, MOTION CARRIED 3-2, JENSEN AND SCOTT OPPOSED

City Administrator Chanski shared final Gordian pricing for City Hall Renovations with \$2,946,721.06

Staff Reports - None

Mayor and Council Reports - None

Agenda Forecast

City Administrator Chanski requested the council to schedule a September Workshop. Council to discuss Camping on Public Property, Animals at Large, Cannabis, and Compost/Brush site.

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO APPROVE SCHEDULE OF WORKSHOP FOR TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 24, 2024 AT 6:00PM, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Buschmann Road Open House

City Administrator Chanski spoke about update for Buschmann Road Project and Open House on Wednesday, September 25 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Effective property owners have been notified with WSB contact information.

City Hall Groundbreaking

City Administrator Chanski gave option to schedule Groundbreaking Ceremony at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 24 before the Council Workshop.

Adjourn

MOTION MORONI/SCOTT TO ADJOURN, CARRIED 5-0

Meeting ended at 9:47 p.m.

Deb Runksmeier, Deputy City Clerk