

**FEBRUARY MEETING MINUTES
GROVE CITY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2025**

Visitors Present: 0

- I. Call Meeting to Order
The meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM by Mayor Lokken.
- II. Pledge of Allegiance
- III. Resolution for the Appointment of Council Member William Houselog
Motion by Hieb. Seconded by Anderson Bergstrom
Motion carried. Vote: 3-0 (Sordahl absent)
- IV. Swearing in of new Council Member William Houselog
- V. Roll Call –
 - a. Debra Anderson Bergstrom: present
 - b. Jared Hieb: present
 - c. William Houselog: present
 - d. Gabra Lokken: present
 - e. Michael Sordahl: absent, arrived at 6:38 pm
- VI. Consent Agenda
 - A. Agenda
 - B. Minutes of January 13, 2025 meeting
 - C. Claims Approval for January 2025: \$156,323.51Motion by Hieb. Second, by Anderson Bergstrom.
Motion carried. Vote: 4-0 (Sordahl absent)
- VII. Visitor Recognition and Public Comment – no visitors
- VIII. Staff and Council Reports
 - A. Staff Reports
 1. Rescue/Fire: Mike Dahl announced that due to the resignation of Joe Jans as fire chief, he will now be serving as chief for both fire and rescue. Rescue had 8 calls and fire had 2 calls for the month. Mike stated that they have a new member to the fire and rescue squad. There was one resignation from the fire department.

2. Sheriff – Sam Swisher reported there was 44 calls for January.
3. Clerk – Betsy Ammermann reported on the assessments for the 4J's trailer park which need to be added to the sales price. She also shared an email from a former resident whose house is for sale. She was concerned that she was being charged for water and sewer even though there was no usage, and the water meter had been removed. The council will discuss policy at a later date.
4. Public Works – Shannon Roering requested to go to the MRWA conference. Council approved. He also mentioned that he applied for a grant to help fund the purchase of a woodchipper.

B. Council Reports

1. Lokken – Requested setting April 26, 8-noon as the date for spring all city clean-up. Mentioned that the Artisan Market was well attended. Would like to plan a small business expo as well. Shared about small business grants available through MMDC. Tim Rothstein will be presenting at May workshop about building a six-plex in town.
2. Sordahl – no report
3. Anderson Bergstrom – no report
4. Hieb – no report
5. Houselog – Wants to research starting a monthly town newsletter that would go out to all Grove City addresses, similar to what Lake Lillian does. Council agreed to pursue this idea.

IX. Old Business

X. New Business

A. Resolution for EDA Appointments: To approve Gabra Lokken, Michael Sordahl, Lyn Zeppelin, Christopher Daniels, and Stephanie Pautzke to Grove City's EDA.

Motion by Houselog. Seconded by Hieb.

Motion carried. Vote: 5-0

B. Water plant roof approval: To approve the quote by All Elements to install a new roof on the Water Treatment Plant, for the amount of \$23,461.00, with the 20 year warranty for an additional \$340.00.

Motion by Sordahl. Seconded by Houselog.

Motion carried. Vote: 5-0

C. MN Beer Co. Brew Pub License: To approve the Brew Pub License renewal.

Motion by Hieb. Seconded by Anderson Bergstrom.

Motion carried. Vote: 5-0

D. Land Rent agreements: To approve land rent agreements for Paul Martin and Matt

Weseman for 2025 for the amount of \$240 per acre.

Motion by Houselog. Seconded by Hieb.

Motion carried. Vote: 5-0

E. MN Rural Water Association membership: To renew the annual agreement for 2025

with the MN Rural Water Association for the amount of \$450.

Motion by Sordahl. Seconded by Anderson Bergstrom.

Motion carried. Vote: 5-0

F. Electric meter at 218 Atlantic Ave: To approve moving the electric meter at 218 Atlantic Ave from the inside of the building to the outside for the amount of \$5,980.

Motion by Hieb. Seconded by Anderson Bergstrom.

Motion carried. Vote: 5-0

G. City Attorney: To grant Gabra Lokken permission to speak to the city attorney concerning city and EDA business.

Motion by Anderson Bergstrom. Seconded by Hieb.

Motion carried. Vote: 4-0, Lokken abstaining.

H. OTHER – Houselog asked about the upkeep and repair to the electrical lines. Inquired about funding.

XI. Announcements – Next workshop – March 5, Council Meeting – March 10

XII. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn: Houselog. Seconded by Sordahl.

Vote: 5-0

Adjourned: 7:30pm

Approved: _____
Date

Mayor: _____

City Clerk: _____