

Mayor McCoy called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Agenda- Kalkbrenner asked to add a quote from Arrow Glass for the Fire Hall window to Old Business. Mayor McCoy made a motion to add the window quote to Old Business. Council Member Evenson seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting in favor.

Mayor McCoy made a motion to accept Consent to Agenda. Council Member Sordahl seconded the motion. Motion carried with Mayor McCoy and Council Members Lokken and Sordahl voting in favor. Council Member Evenson obtained.

VISITOR RECOGNITION AND PUBLIC COMMENT

SHEILA – BOLTEN & MENK- Sheila gave an update on the GIS Mapping project that was started. Sheila presented a few quotes to the council from Joe Riley Construction. The first quote is for Starktown Road. Council Member Evenson made a motion to rescind a previous motion to allow \$2,500 for fixing Starktown Road and approve the quote from Joe Riley Construction for \$4,220. Mayor McCoy seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting in favor.

The second quote from Joe Riley Construction is for project #1 (storm sewer replacement/asphalt paving) and project #2 (Ulla Avenue) for the street project. Mayor McCoy made a motion to approve both Project #1 and Project #2. Council Member Lokken seconded the motion. Motion failed with Mayor McCoy and Council Member Lokken for the motion and Council Members Evenson and Sordahl opposed. Council Member Evenson approves project #2, and Bolten & Menk investigate prices a little bit more. Council Member Lokken seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting in favor.

Pickleball Court- a pickleball court 30'x54' will roughly cost \$13,000 with 12" of gravel and 2" of bituminous. Council Member Evenson made a motion to use 6" of gravel and 2" bituminous for the court once the parks committee finds a location in town for it. Council Member Lokken seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting in favor.

TRAVIS – 201 BUILDING SUPPLY – Travis was not present although he had spoken with Roering and Kalkbrenner in previous days. Roering explained that Travis wants to add a driveway from third street south up to their property. Roering explained that he had met with Travis earlier and did not see any issue. Mayor McCoy made a motion to allow 201 to add a driveway to their property from third street south with the stipulation that they continue to work with the public works department and keep the working sidewalk. Council Member Evenson seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting in favor.

AMBER MOYERS- Amber came to the council to discuss the ordinance violation letter that they received. With that, she asked the council what she could do to fix up the property when the people they are buying the house from are not allowing them to get a permit for the house and do the work. The council discussed and gave three months until October 1st, 2023, to work out with the property owners and get a plan. The Council decided that there would not be any penalties until that time.

BILL PETERKA & ROSIE DILLEY- CARES – Rosie Dilly came to the council to ask the council for their approval of adding concrete to the South end of South Grove Square where the adult exercise equipment is being placed by the CARE program. With that, the CARE program had benches to be added to the area and a swing to be added on the East side where the playground is now donated. This cost is all on the CAREs program and is equipment that will be donated to the city for South Grove.

OLD BUSINESS

Unapproved

COMMUNITY SIGN – Council Member Lokken made a motion to spend up to \$42,000 + the cost of the electrician to install a Digital Community Sign off the City Hall building. Council Member Sordahl seconded the motion. Motion carried with Mayor McCoy, and Council Members Lokken and Sordahl voting in favor. Council Member Evenson opposed. Kalkbrenner explained to the council that the City had not spent any of the ARPA funds and that this project will be paid from that money.

ARROW GLASS- Council Member Evenson made a motion to have Arrow Glass come in and fix the Fire Hall window. Mayor McCoy seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting in favor.

NEW BUSINESS

ASSESSMENT CONTRACT- Kalkbrenner presented the Assessment Contract from Meeker County to the council to allow the city to work with the county on assessments throughout the year. Council Member Sordahl made a motion to approve the Assessment Contract. Mayor McCoy seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting in favor.

PLOW TRUCK – Roering explained to the council that Evenson and himself went and looked at a state plow truck that was going to go up for auction if not sold prior. Roering explained that the cost is \$10,000 and that he had money in his equipment fund to purchase this. Council Member Evenson made a motion to spend up to \$10,000 on a plow truck for the public works department. Mayor McCoy seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting in favor.

SOUTHWEST INITIATIVE FOUNDATION DONATION- Kalkbrenner asked the council if they wanted to donate \$100 to the Southwest Initiative Foundation again this year. Mayor McCoy made a motion to donate \$100 to Southwest Initiative Foundation for 2023. Council Member Lokken seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting in favor.

STAFF & COUNCIL REPORTS

RESCUE – no report

FIRE- Joe Jans reported the Fire Department will be doing a Fire Drill at South Grove Square with the residents on Monday, July 17th, 2023, at 6:00 pm. Jans also reported that they did finally receive the parts for the old fire truck, and it should be up and going for the parade.

Jans asked about possibly removing the wall in the rescue bay to allow more space for the trailer and side-by-side, as to get the trailer out you must move everything else out of the bay and then pull that out. Where if they remove to one interior wall then they could just hook up to the trailer from the north (alley) side of the building. Council asked Jans to investigate it further and get a quote or 2 on what it would cost, then come back to the workshop or meeting.

SHERIFF- 42 calls for June.

CLERK- Kalkbrenner asked the council to attend the Heartland Summer conference in Madison, SD on Tuesday, July 18th, 2023. Mayor McCoy made a motion to send Kalkbrenner and Ramthun to the Heartland Energy Summer Conference on July 18th, 2023, paying only mileage. Council Member Sordahl seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting in favor.

Kalkbrenner asked the council about attending the MCFOA Region 3 Meeting and Training on Tuesday, July 25th 2023 for \$15. Kalkbrenner expressed that this training would be very beneficial to the council as well as city employees. Council Member Sordahl made a motion to send any board members and office personnel that wanted to attend the MCFOA Region 3 Meeting and training. Mayor McCoy seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting in favor.

Kalkbrenner asked the council to go to the 2023 Clerks Academy on September 7th and 8th in St. Paul, MN. Kalkbrenner expressed that the council had not allowed her to go to the 2022 Clerk Academy and this is the only way to work toward my Clerk Certificates. It is a 3+ year program and is necessary for moving forward with learning her position to the fullest. The council decided to table until the next workshop to discuss further since Kalkbrenner was placed on probation and her training privileges were revoked.

Unapproved

PUBLIC WORKS- Roering asked the council to go to the 2023 MRWA Expo in Waconia, MN on August 31st, 2023. Cost of \$150 for MRWA Members. Mayor McCoy made a motion to send Roering to the 2023 MRWA Expo in Waconia on August 31st, 2023, and cover training and mileage costs. Council Member Evenson seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting in favor.

MCCOY- McCoy had no report.

EVENSON- Evenson asked about updates on the pickleball court, which is still being worked through. Evenson asked if the interview questions could be discussed at the next workshop and if each member could come up with five questions that they would like to see asked of an applicant. Evenson asked if there was an annual inspection for the playground and other city property equipment. Kalkbrenner stated that she had put one together a few months back and the council approved it for the playground.

Evenson brought up to the council that “property inspection” should be added to Resolution 2023-01. This would be a person or persons in charge of going around the town for ordinance violations and not putting all the pressure on Baily. Sordahl asked for it to be put on the record that the city needs to “cut back” on the ordinance letters until we can come up with a better, more accurate procedure.

LOKKEN- Lokken approved the minutes and wanted on record that the minutes sounded like she misappropriated funds and that was not the intention and makes her look bad. Lokken stated that the Personnel Committee needs to set up a meeting. And will get together and possibly try to do the employee reviews after the August workshop.

SORDAHL- Sordahl asked Roering to look into and order the speed signs for town. Sordahl brought up the idea of having a Fall Clean-up day. Council will discuss this at the next workshop.

ADJOURNMENT – Mayor McCoy made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:51 pm. Council Member Evenson seconded the motion. Motion carried with all members voting in favor.