

Pursuant to due call and proper notice thereof, a meeting of the Breckenridge City Council was held on October 2, 2023, at 5:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, Breckenridge, Minnesota.

Members Present: Mayor Russell Wilson; Council Members Beth Meyer, Evie Fox, Reed Johnson, and Scott Wermerskirchen. City Administrator Lori Conway.

Members Absent: Council Member James Jawaski and Chris Vedder. City Attorney Jason Butts.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

With the tabling of Item 7 – First reading of Ordinance No. 527 – An interim ordinance amending Chapter 170, prohibiting the sale, delivery, distribution, etc. of Cannabis in the City, Council Member Johnson moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Council Member Meyer and carried unanimously.

Open Discussion: Elizabeth Wefel from Flaherty & Hood gave a presentation on what the Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities has been doing for the cities located out of the metro area as well as some of their upcoming main focuses. She indicated that this has been one of the busiest/craziest legislative sessions she has dealt with. She thanked the Council for their continuing support.

Motion by Council Member Fox to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Council Member Johnson and carried unanimously. The Consent Agenda included the following:

- A. Motion to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting on September 18, 2023, and closed meeting of September 18, 2023.
- B. Motion to file the minutes of the Public Utilities Commission regular meetings of September 11, 2023, and September 18, 2023.
- C. Motion approving a Raffle Permit for the Breckenridge Lutheran Church.
- D. Motion approving a Temporary Liquor License for St. Mary of the Presentation Church and School for their Steak & Wine Benefit.
- E. Motion approving a Raffle Permit for St. Mary's Catholic Church & School along with an Exempt Gambling Permit.

A public hearing was held to consider Border Cities Tax Credits for local businesses. There was no one from the public present for the hearing.

Following the recommendation from the Port Authority, Council Member Wermerskirchen offered Resolution No. 13391-68/2023, **"A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE ENTERPRISE ZONE CREDIT APPLICATION AND CLASSIFYING CERTAIN BUSINESSES AS RECOMMENDED BY THE BRECKENRIDGE PORT AUTHORITY,"** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Meyer and carried unanimously.

With no changes, Council Member Wermerskirchen offered Resolution No. 13392-69/2023, "**A RESOLUTION ALLOWING THE BILLS AND CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY OF BRECKENRIDGE, MINNESOTA,**" and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Johnson and carried unanimously.

Council Member Johnson offered Resolution No. 13393-70/2023, "**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING GRANT NAVIGATOR FUNDING,**" and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Fox and carried unanimously. These grant funds will be used to pay a grant writer in hopes of receiving a grant for more snow equipment.

Mayor's Comments: Jim Jawaski is recovering well. Our thoughts are with him and his family.

Other Comments: None.

Motion by Council Member Meyer to adjourn the meeting at 5:21 p.m. Seconded by Council Member Johnson and carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

RUSSELL WILSON, Mayor

LORI A. CONWAY, City Administrator