

Pursuant to due call and proper notice thereof, a meeting of the Breckenridge City Council was held on September 7, 2021, at 5:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, Breckenridge, Minnesota.

Members Present: Mayor Russell Wilson; Council Members Rick Busko, Jason Butts, Reed Johnson, Chris Vedder, and Scott Wermerskirchen. City Administrator Renae Smith.

Members Absent: None.

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Council Member Butts moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Council Member Busko and carried unanimously.

Open Discussion: Bruce Yaggie gave a presentation to the Council on the Infinity Center concept, and then Kellie Buck and Beth Deal presented the plans for the Children's Discovery Center that would potentially be included in the Infinity Center.

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

- A. Motion to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting on August 16, 2021.
- B. Motion to approve the filing of the minutes from the Breckenridge Public Utilities meeting of August 16, 2021.
- C. Motion approving a Raffle Permit for the Breckenridge Fire B-Team.

Council Member Johnson offered Resolution No. 13177-72/2021, **"A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR LABOR BETWEEN THE CITY OF BRECKENRIDGE AND THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF STATE, COUNTY, AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES (AFSCME) LOCAL UNION 210 FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2022, TO DECEMBER 31, 2023,"** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Butts and carried unanimously. City Administrator Smith noted that all of the contract provisions are included in the preliminary budget.

Council Member Vedder offered Resolution No. 13178-73/2021, **"A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR LABOR BETWEEN THE CITY OF BRECKENRIDGE AND THE TEAMSTERS UNION LOCAL 320 FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2022, TO DECEMBER 31, 2023,"** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Jawaski and carried unanimously. This contract is very similar to the AFSCME contract except for a few minor language changes.

Council Member Busko offered Resolution No. 13179-74/2021, **"A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR SEPTEMBER 20, 2021, AT 5:00 P.M. AT THE BRECKENRIDGE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONSIDERING BORDER CITIES TAX CREDITS,"** and

moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Johnson and carried unanimously. Credit recommendations to certain businesses will be brought to the Council at the time of the hearing.

Council Member Jawaski offered Resolution No. 13180-75/2021, **“A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A BID FROM WEST CENTRAL ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTANTS, INC. (WCEC) FOR ENVIRONMENTAL REMEDIATION SERVICES AT THE OLD STOP-N-GO PROPERTY,”** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Vedder and carried unanimously. The tanks were removed and samples of the soil were taken and sent into the MPCA as part of the removal process. They detected some contamination, so the next step is to hire a consultant to take more samples and work with the MPCA on a cleanup plan. The Petrofund should pay for 90% of the costs.

Council Member Wermerskirchen offered Resolution No. 13181-76/2021, **“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 Wermerskirchen offered Resolution No. 13182-77/2021, **“A RESOLUTION SETTING DECEMBER 6<sup>th</sup> AT 6:00 P.M. AS THE CITY OF BRECKENRIDGE’S TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING DATE FOR 2021,”** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Vedder and carried unanimously.

Council Member Butts offered Resolution No. 13183-78/2021, **“A RESOLUTION SETTING THE PRELIMINARY 2021 TAX LEVY PAYABLE IN 2022 AT \$1,041,543,”** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Jawaski and carried unanimously. City Administrator Smith informed Council Members that this is approximately a 4% increase over the current levy, and that the final levy amount (to be set in December) can be lower but not any higher than the preliminary levy.

Council Member Vedder offered Resolution No. 13184-79/2021, **“A RESOLUTION SETTING THE PRELIMINARY 2022 GENERAL FUND BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF BRECKENRIDGE AT \$3,309,133,”** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Busko and carried unanimously.

Mayor’s Comments:

- Proclamation - National Pregnancy & Infant Loss Remembrance Day on October 15, 2021.
- Headwaters Day will be this Saturday with events in Welles Memorial Park as well as the parade through town.
- The school will be having an open house next Monday with tours, a meal, and information on the upcoming referendum vote in November.

Comments:

Motion by Council Member Jawaski to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 p.m. Seconded by Council Member Busko and carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

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RUSSELL WILSON, Mayor

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RENAE SMITH, City Administrator