

Pursuant to due call and proper notice thereof, a meeting of the Breckenridge City Council was held on March 21, 2022, at 5:00 p.m., City Hall Council Chambers, Breckenridge, Minnesota.

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

Members Absent: None.

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

With the addition of 5G – Raffle permit application from Breckenridge Lutheran Church, Council Member Johnson moved to approve the agenda. Seconded by Council Member Busko and carried unanimously.

Open Discussion:

Breckenridge School just implemented a class called Project U. It helps students work on public speaking and organizing a project from start to finish. Jazmin Raul is participating in Project U, and she is proposing to paint an outdoor mural. Her painting would be of a girl holding a butterfly; the butterfly is a sign of hope. She is hoping this will inspire other kids.

Jazmin will need to find a location and do some fundraising. She is estimating that she will need approximately \$900 for the outdoor paint. She will look for some possible grants from the 3 Rivers Arts Council and will check with Walmart. Her goal for a completion date is May 15th. Some possible locations mentioned were: Aquatic Center building, floodwall by Park Manor, and brick square above the building across from City Hall.

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

- A. Motion to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting on March 7, 2022.
- B. Motion to approve the filing of the minutes from the Breckenridge Public Utilities meeting of March 7, 2022.
- C. Motion approving a revised quote from Hansen Construction in the amount of \$8810 for siding repairs at the Family Community Center.
- D. Motion accepting a bid from Todd's Welding, Inc. in the amount of \$1,215.48 for a sun visor & bracket for the new Fire Tanker truck.
- E. Motion authorizing the City to apply for the following grants:

- i. AARP Community Challenge Grant – National Night Out & Headwaters Day. (\$12k)
 - ii. MN DNR Fire Department Grant – 50/50 – fire hose & accessories for refilling tanker.
 - iii. Walmart Grant – turnout gear racks (\$10k), thermal imaging camera (\$8k), and PPE (\$175 per firefighter x 20-26).
- F. Motion authorizing Laura Youngbird to build and place a sculpture in Welles Memorial Park at the confluence where the Ottertail and Bois de Sioux meet. It will be a 5’ by 4’ stone & steel sculpture and will be funded by a \$10,000 grant she received.
- G. Motion approving a Raffle Permit for the Breckenridge Lutheran Church.

Twelve streets have been redone over that last four years and now it is time to seal them up in order to preserve them. Council Member Busko offered Resolution No. 13248-22/2022, **“A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING A BID FROM ASPHALT PRESERVATION COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$75,458.12 FOR PROJECT NO. 319-22, 2022 STREET IMPROVEMENT – CHIP SEALING,”** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Jawaski and carried unanimously.

Along with a salary meeting list, Council Member Wermerskirchen offered Resolution No. 13249-23/2022, **“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 Jawaski offered Resolution No. 13250-24/2022, **“A RESOLUTION DECLARING THAT A PART-TIME POLICE OFFICER, ETHAN MAHRER, BE ACCEPTED AS A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION POLICE AND FIRE PLAN”** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Vedder and carried unanimously.

Mayor’s Comments:

- Proclaiming May 17th as Norwegian Constitution Day “Syttende Mai”.
- Reappointing the following positions:
 - Mary Donohue Stetz – Housing Authority – Ex: April 2027
 - Gordon Martinson – Public Utilities Commission – Ex: March 2028
 - Janel Fredericksen – Planning Commission – Ex: March 2025

Other Comments: None.

Motion by Council Member Jawaski to adjourn the meeting at 5:19 p.m. Seconded by Council Member Busko and carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

RUSSELL WILSON, Mayor

RENAE SMITH, City Administrator