

Pursuant to due call and proper notice thereof, a meeting of the Breckenridge City Council was held on March 1, 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, James Jawaski, Chris Vedder, and Scott Wermerskirchen. City Administrator Renae Smith.

Members Absent: None.

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

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

Open Discussion: None.

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

- A. Motion to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting on February 16, 2021.
- B. Motion approving the filing of the minutes from the Breckenridge Public Utilities Commission meeting of February 16, 2021.

With more funding obtained from the Minnesota DNR, the next phase of the project can begin. Council Member Jawaski offered Resolution No. 13121-16/2021, **“A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE PLANS AND SPECIFICATIONS AND AUTHORIZING THE ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR THE SOUTH SIDE DRAINAGE FLOOD MITIGATION – PHASE II, PROJECT NO. 308-17,”** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Vedder and carried unanimously.

As part of the South Side Drainage project, some of the electric lines will be moved to underground. The BPU does not have the capability to bore underground so that part will need to be contracted out. Council Member Vedder offered Resolution No. 13122-17/2021, **“A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE BID AND AWARDING A CONTRACT TO SCOTT’S ELECTRIC, INC. FOR THE NEW YORK AVENUE UNDERGROUND UTILITY WORK, PROJECT NO. 314-21,”** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Busko and carried unanimously.

With the addition of a bill from Bradley Law in the amount of \$1493.75, Council Member Busko offered Resolution No. 13123-18/2021, **“A RESOLUTION ALLOWING THE BILLS AND CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY OF BRECKENRIDGE, MINNESOTA,”** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Jawaski and carried unanimously.

Red River Communications recently bought out 702 Communication’s phone services in the Breckenridge/Wahpeton area and are planning to expand their internet and cable services here also. They recently approached the City in regards to obtaining a cable communications franchise in the City. As part of the process, a public hearing must be held. Council Member Johnson offered Resolution No. 13124-19/2021, **“A RESOLUTION SETTING MARCH 15TH AT 5:00 P.M. AS THE PUBLIC HEARING DATE TO ALLOW COMMENTS TO BE HEARD WITH RESPECT TO ANY CABLE COMMUNICATIONS FRANCHISE APPLICATIONS RECEIVED,”** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Vedder and carried unanimously.

Mayor Comments: None.

Other Comments: Council Member Butts wanted to recognize the City Hall office personnel for their outstanding customer service and patience in dealing with many people who aren’t able to pay their bills due to the impacts of the COVID pandemic.

Motion by Council Member Jawaski to adjourn the meeting at 5:10 p.m. Seconded by Council Member Johnson and carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

RUSSELL WILSON, Mayor

RENAE SMITH, City Administrator