

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

Members Present: Mayor Russell Wilson; Council Members Evie Fox, Reed Johnson, Jim Jawaski, Chris Vedder and Scott Wermerskirchen. City Attorney Jason Butts and Finance Officer Ariel Johnson.

Members Absent: Council Member Beth Meyer and City Administrator Lori Conway.

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

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

Open Discussion: None.

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

- A. Motion to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting on August 21, 2023.

Council Member Fox offered Resolution No. 13377-54/2023, **“A RESOLUTION SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR OCTOBER 2, 2023, 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. The Port Authority will recommend to the Council which new and/or expanding businesses should receive credits.

Motion by Council Member Fox to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance No. 526, An Ordinance amending Breckenridge City Code Chapter 170 – Tobacco – Regulating the sale of commercial tobacco and related devices and products. Seconded by Council Member Wermerskirchen and carried unanimously.

The State of Minnesota has recently passed various sick and safe leave rules that will become effective January 1, 2024. All cities will need to follow the newly adopted rules. Council Member Vedder offered Resolution No. 13378-55/2023, **“A RESOLUTION MODIFYING SECTION 10 – LEAVES OF THE CITY OF BRECKENRIDGE PERSONNEL POLICY HANDBOOK IN ORDER TO ADD EARNED SICK AND SAFE LEAVE,”** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Johnson and carried unanimously.

Following the recommendation from the Personnel Committee, Council Member Jawaski offered Resolution No. 13379-56/2023, **“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, 2024 TO DECEMBER 31, 2024,” and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Wermerskirchen and carried unanimously.

Following the recommendation from the Personnel Committee, Council Member Wermerskirchen offered Resolution No. 13380-57/2023, **“A RESOLUTION APPROVING A CONTRACT FOR LABOR BETWEEN THE CITY OF BRECKENRIDGE AND THE TEAMSTERS UNION LOCAL 320 FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2024, TO DECEMBER 31, 2024,”** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Fox and carried unanimously.

Council Member Wermerskirchen offered Resolution No. 13381-58/2023, **“A RESOLUTION ALLOWING THE BILLS AND CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY OF BRECKENRIDGE, MINNESOTA,”** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Vedder and carried unanimously.

Council Member Johnson offered Resolution No. 13382-59/2023, **“A RESOLUTION SETTING DECEMBER 4TH AT 6:00 P.M. AS THE CITY OF BRECKENRIDGE’S TRUTH IN TAXATION HEARING DATE FOR 2023,”** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Fox and carried unanimously.

Council Member Jawaski offered Resolution No. 13383-60/2023, **“A RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING “HEADWATERS DAY” AS AN OFFICIAL ACTIVITY OF THE CITY OF BRECKENRIDGE,”** and moved for its adoption. Seconded by Council Member Fox and carried unanimously. Chief Karlgaard wanted to remind everyone that the parade route is totally different this year due to the congestion at Welles Memorial Park at the end of the parade. Hopefully this will alleviate that.

Mayor’s Comments: Congratulations went out to Senator Jordan Rasmusson for being recognized as a Legislator of Distinction from the League of Minnesota Cities. He has been a great help with the Infinity Center bonding bill.

Other Comments: None.

Motion by Council Member Jawaski to adjourn the meeting at 5:13 p.m. Seconded by Council Member Fox and carried unanimously.

ATTEST:

RUSSELL WILSON, Mayor

ARIEL JOHNSON, Finance Officer