CITY OF ROSE CREEK

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Regular Council Meeting October 2, 2023

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof; the regular meeting of the City Council of Rose Creek was held Monday, October 2, 2023, with the following present: Mayor Craig Weis, Council Members: Andrew Felten, Bobbie Greenlee, Mark Conradt, Wendel Sprung, Maintenance Bob Jax, City Clerk/Treasurer Kristine Allas, Kretta Menuey

Mayor Weis began the regular Council Meeting at 5:48 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Council Man Sprung made the motion to accept the Agenda, Council Man Felten seconded, and approved by Mayor Weis.

Council Woman Greenlee made the motion to approve the Minutes of September 6, 2023, Council Meeting, Council Man Conradt seconded, and approved by Mayor Weis. Council Man Sprung made the motion to approve the Closed Meeting Minutes of September 6, 2023, Council Meeting, Council Woman Greenlee seconded, and approved by Mayor Weis.

The Creek Bar & Grill (represented by Mark Lang, Patty Lang, and Mary Lewison) explained as to why there was no permit application for Rose Creek Days 2023 outside bar, and Mark Lang, owner requested to be able to pay the permit fee of \$50 for 2023 and pay ahead of time the \$50 for 2024, which they will apply by letter to the City Council before May 1st. City Clerk/Treasurer Allas accepted the check and will send a receipt. It was also requested that when the City is going to flush the hydrants to please contact Patty Lang ahead of time.

Council Man Conradt made the motion to transfer \$10,000 from the general fund to the fire department equipment fund and the rural fire association will do the same, Council Woman seconded, and the motion passed and was approved by Mayor Weis.

Retaining Wall south of the Fire Dept/City Hall bids for full replacement: Weis Landscaping \$11,476.57. Dolans Landscape Center \$15,749.08. Berg's Nursery \$29,107.24. Council Woman Greenlee made the motion to approve Weis Landscaping because that bid is the most reasonable, and good quality work, and they are local, Council Man Conradt seconded, and the vote was to approve with Mayor Weis abstaining. Motion passed.

Creek Club: Kretta Menuey gave the report. She asked again for a cell phone booster in the park (from the City or the Fire Department funds). Extra things in the concession stand are cleaned out, and Craig Weis oversees hanging the plastic for the Halloween Spooktacular & Haunted Trail but needs 2" x 4" to hang the plastic (approximately \$150 worth of boards). The Spooktacular is October 28, Creek Club Cancer Benefit Chili cook-off is November 18, and Santa is coming to City Hall December 10. Council Man Felten asked the Creek Club to discuss having a Christmas Light Contest this year at the next meeting.

Ordinance Committee: the information that was discussed at the last meeting was sent to the Attorney and he has not responded yet.

Water/Sewer delinquencies: Council Man Conradt made the motion to access delinquent accounts to Mower County Treasurer if payments are not received by November 1, Council Man Felten seconded and approved by Mayor Weis. Council Man Felten made the motion to send the 3rd Quarter water/sewer billings by letter form and not postcards; and to keep the late fee at \$5.00 for 3rd quarter but the \$50 late fee charge will be starting on any accounts that are not paid up by December 31 and will be charged on 4th quarter's billing invoices, Council Man Conradt seconded and approved by Mayor Weis.

Robert Jax asked to be permitted to build a 30' X 33' addition on his garage next fall, he was instructed to speak with Thills, and City Clerk Allas will give him a copy of the covenants for Creek View and the contact information.

Storm Drain: Mayor Weis and Robert Jax found that the drain runs west and may have collapsed because of Jaguar/Metronet. They will contact Eric Boe for a bid to replace/repair it. It runs between B. Nelson/K. Mergen, and the storm drain has nothing to do with the misalignment of Mergen's wastewater line and needs to be repaired before winter.

Snow Removal Bid: Bob Schoenfelder has agreed to the contract for 2023/2024 with a Ford I8000 dump truck with 11' plow and side wing @ \$140/hour. Skid loader with bucket or blade @\$125/hour. Pickup truck with blade \$100/hour. Sanding or salting \$125/hour plus bulk sand/salt charge. Brine pretreat de-ice \$125/hour plus brine charge. Council Man Felten made the motion to approve BCS Services for the 2023/2024 winter seasons (2 years), Council Man Sprung seconded and approved by Mayor Weis.

Maintenance Report given by Bob Jax: prairie grass in park is mown and plans to dump the leaves in the grove behind the prairie. John Deere quote \$20,848.89 (tractor/mower deck/snow blower/weather enclosure), New Holland quote \$33,200 (tractor/blower/mower/cab); Council Man Felten made the motion to approve the John Deere with trade-in of current tractor so that total would be approximately \$13,865, Council Man Sprung seconded, and approved by Mayor Weis.

Council Man Sprung made the motion to approve the already paid invoices: MN Association of Cities \$182.70, Council Woman Greenlee seconded the motion, and approved by Mayor Weis.

Bob Jax requested a Chlorometer because of legionnaires disease/bacterial, and chlorine residual is all the way out to the end (get quotes).

Council Man Conradt asked about the billing invoice from Kennedy & Graven \$262 this month, and \$900 last month – how do we fix it, and it needs to be addressed! He requested that he be able to talk to Attorney Gilchrist himself regarding the billing situation; it was granted by full consensus. Council Woman Greenlee made the motion to approve payroll/claims/invoices to be paid except Kennedy & Graven – hold the check until Council Man Conradt has spoken with the attorney, Council Man Felten seconded, and approved by Mayor Weis.

Council Man Conradt made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 pm with the next Regular Council Meeting to be held Monday, November 6, 2023, at 5:45 pm., Council Man Felten seconded, and approved by Mayor Weis.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristine M Allas, City Clerk/Treasurer