

CITY OF LEONIDAS
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
May 7, 2024 6:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order & Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Milton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. The City Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Attendance

Present: Mayor JoAnne Milton, Councilor Cassandra Cave, Councilor Nathaniel Rock, Councilor Jay DeRoos, Maintenance Leroy Roos, Clerk McKenzie Clinton. Councilor Brian Otto was absent

Guests Present: Dale Mostad, Vienna McNeil, Shawna Jensen, Trishia Rusco, Dom Wilson, and Lucy Vorlick

3. Adopt Agenda

Motion by Cave, second by Rock to adopt the agenda. Ayes – All. Motion carried.

4. Consent Agenda

5.

A. Minutes of April 9, 2024 City Council Meetings

B. Approval of Payroll ending 04/30/2024

C. Approval of Claims ending 04/30/2024

Motion by Rock, second by DeRoos to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes – All. Motion carried.

6. Reports

A. Clerk's Report

Clerk Clinton reported that she had filed the federal 941 quarterly taxes for quarter one. She also spoke about the ongoing project with Bollig. She reported that Bollig needs a map of the original water main that was installed in Leonidas. Clerk Clinton has been looking but has been unable to locate any maps that show the area that Bollig needs. She also spoke to the County regarding this and they were not able to help with this issue. Clerk Clinton will continue to look for any maps containing this information.

B. Maintenance

Maintenance Leroy Roos reported that he has been preparing for summer and getting the mowers ready. He replaced the blades on the mower and serviced the mower. He also put up the tennis court net and fixed part of the fence. He stated that he is having the air conditioner serviced by Northland Heating and Cooling on May 20th.

C. Hall Manager

Hall Manager Jessica Johnson reported that the kitchen sink and women's bathroom toilet were both leaking. Maintenance Leroy Roos said that he will take a look at both and fix the leaks. Hall Manager Johnson also asked about purchasing a few more tables for the hall. Tables will be looked at and discussed further at the next meeting.

Old Business

D. Park Pavilion Sidewalk

Clerk Clinton stated that she had spoken to the City of Eveleth regarding adding a sidewalk from the sidewalk to the pavilion. The City of Eveleth had no issues with adding the sidewalk and just asked that we speak to their public works department about the project. There were concerns about the West Side Civic League (WSCL) doing the project and the quality of work that would be completed. Mayor Milton stated that the WSCL has always completed high quality work and that they have done projects around Leonidas before with no issues. A brief discussion about this occurred. The council ultimately felt that the best course of action was to have the West Side Civic League complete the work. Councilor Rock stated that he would oversee the project and speak to the WSCL in order to get the project started.

Motion by Rock, second by DeRoos to approve the addition of a sidewalk to the park pavilion. Ayes – All. Motion carried.

7. New Business

A. Eveleth, Fayal, & Gilbert Firefighter Relief Association Donation

The city received a letter from the local firefighter relief association asking for a donation for their fire safety education program. The council felt that a donation would benefit the community and agreed to donate \$125.00.

Motion by DeRoos, second by Cave to donate \$125.00 to the Eveleth, Fayal, & Gilbert Firefighter Relief Association for their safety education program. Ayes – All. Motion carried.

B. Chicken License Variance

Cassie Cave applies for a variance to allow for 6 more chickens in her yard. She stated that she is asking for the variance due to the size of her family. The council had no concerns with granting the variance.

Motion by DeRoos, second by Rock to approve the chicken variance. Councilor Cave abstained due to the conflict of interest. Ayes – All. Motion carried.

8. Adjourn

Motion by DeRoos, second by Cave to adjourn the meeting. Ayes – All. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

JoAnne Milton, Mayor

Attest: _____