

**City of Mountain Lake
Regular City Council Meeting
Mountain Lake City Hall – 930 Third Ave
Monday, April 15, 2024
5:45 p.m.**

Members Present: Andrew Ysker, Dean Janzen, Darla Kruser, Bryan Bargen, Mike Nelson

Members Absent: None

City Staff Present: Michael Mueller City Administrator; Maryellen Suhrhoff City Attorney;
Rod Hamilton EDA Director; Ben McHenry Police Officer

Others Present: Tom Appel

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nelson at 5:45 p.m.

Approval of Agenda & Consent Agenda

Motion by Bargen, seconded by Janzen to approve the agenda and consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

Bills: Checks #28208 – 28254, 1058E – 1064E

Payroll: Checks #67997 – 68030

Approve March 18 EDA Board Minutes

Approve March 28 Utilities Commission Minutes

Approve April 1 City Council Minutes

Approve Ambulance Contracts

Approve Ambulance & Fire Contract Rates

Approve Resolution #5-24 \$15,000 Fire Relief Donation

Approve Deanna Anderson, Police Commission, effective 4/15/2024

Public

No comment

EDA

EDA Director Rod Hamilton informed the Council on a grant submission for the Southwest Minnesota Housing Partnership. The intent of the grant is to assist with providing funds for the construction of a 12 unit apartment complex. The City would have to apply for the grant. The EDA has already approved a \$50,000 loan for the project. Motion by Janzen, seconded by Ysker to approve Resolution #6 -24. Motion carried 4 – 0. Councilmember Bargen abstained.

MnDOT

Concerns were raised about MnDOT plans and where they are proposing changes to our three corridors, to make those entrances in and out of Mountain Lake safer. The MnDOT advisory panel has not been satisfied with their options.

Discussions occurred at the EDA meeting, they plan to provide recommendations to the City Council on how this could be detrimental to our town and commercial park. A potential proposal to MnDOT from our City would be installing acceleration and deceleration lanes, with no other changes to our entrances.

City Attorney

An update was given to the council regarding civil processes on various properties, public nuisances, current processes, court procedures, agreements, and plans.

The meeting was closed due to pending litigation. Motion by Bargaen, seconded by Janzen to approve the agreement. Motion carried 5 – 0.

City Administrator

Michael Mueller, City Administrator, provided an update on the 2024 Q1 Revenues and Expenditures, there were no concerns, the departments are staying on budget.

Roundtable

An update was given to the council regarding board and commission meetings.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

ATTEST:

Michael Mueller, Administrator/Clerk

Board of Appeal & Equalization Meeting – Tuesday, April 23, 2024 at 5:30PM