

City of Rice

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205 Main St E – PO Box 179
Rice, MN 56367
Rice City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday May 2nd, 2022, 6:00 PM

Mayor Skroch called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Present: Brian Skroch, Chris Scheel, Emily Walters, Michelle Keller, Paula Kampa, Steve Wolak, Public Works, and Julie Fandel, City Clerk.

- 1. Kampa made a motion to accept the agenda as presented for Monday May 2nd, 2022. Second by Keller. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
- 2. Scheel made a motion to approve Consent Agenda as presented to include:
 - a. Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes April 18th, 2022 Second by Keller. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
- 3. Citizen Participation: None

4. BUSINESS

- a. Scott Smith Business- Looking at the old Boat Works, asked about different options with signs, living quarters and tree removal etc.. The Council informed him that he could address the Planning Commission with these questions and that the information given by the Clerk was correct. Smith asked to be put on the Planning Commission agenda for May 23rd, 2022.
- b. Lions Building Kampa made a motion to accept the Lions Building Rental form with the updates. Walters found a typo, please correct. Kampa amended her motion to include correction. Keller amended her second. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
- c. Performance Food Group Larry Cochran spoke about the road in front that is deteriorating, and if the city had a plan moving forward. Wollak explained that they were looking at different options for patching and had decided to use Hanson's paving. They will be doing the work in the next three weeks. Discussion about signage, Hwy 10 and rerouting the road to behind Carco. Wollak will notify Cochran in advance of the road work.
- d. Water Meters Skroch stated that it makes sense to make the change, we just need to clarify the install cost. Council asked Wollak to get estimates for plumbers to install meters. Skroch added that he had spoken to a plumbing company he knows, and they said they weren't interested in doing the work. Scheel noted that we need to make sure we get the correct quotes, he asked Fandel to contact the auditor. Also make sure that it works with the Banyon billing system. Ken Nodo stated that it would make sense to install all at once and move forward. Wollak will get final quotes. Tabled until May 23rd, 2022 meeting.
- e. Resolution #050222-13 a Resolution Accepting a donation from Graham Township. Scheel made a motion to approve Resolution #050222-13 a Resolution Accepting a donation from Graham Township to Rice Rec for \$350.00. Second by Keller. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
- f. Resolution #050222-14 a Resolution Accepting a donation from Kampa Gerbi and Associates for desks. Keller made a motion to approve Resolution #050222-14 a



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- g. Resolution Accepting a donation from Kampa Gerbi and Associates for desks. Second by Scheel. 4 ayes 0 nays, motion carried. Kampa abstained.
- h. Parade Scheel said that Fandel and Caster should plan the parade again this year. Kampa made a motion for Fandel and Caster to move forward with the parade for the tentative date of August 20th, 2022. Second by Keller. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
- i. Midwest Asphalt Do not move forward. Scheel made a motion to move forward with the Midwest Asphalt bid. Second by Keller. 1 aye 4 nays, motion failed.

5. DEPARTMENT/COMMITTEE/BOARD/CONTRACTED STAFF REPORTS/UPDATE

Clerks Report – I will be on vacation on Thursday May 5th, 2022 and training the week of May 9th to May 13th, 2022. I can be contacted by cell phone during that time. National Day of Prayer is May 5th, 2022. Police building is almost complete, Kampa asked for a tour, Fandel will set up with Chief Hamann.

Public Works – Cleanup day was a huge success. We have four park signs up, the last one we will do this week. Friday is the Walk for Life at school, and we will take care of the road closings. The new playground equipment came in and we will start to look at what the installation will take. Nodo questioned moving some of the equipment that is already there, this would mean removing the cement. Wollak will stake out a spot and the park board can approve it.

6. Announcements/Upcoming Meetings:

- a. May 3rd, 2022 Park Board Meeting 5 PM CANCELLED
- b. May 16th, 2022 Work Session 5:30 PM
- c. May 16th, 2022 City Council Meeting 6 PM
- d. May 23rd, 2022 Planning Commission 7 PM
- e. June 6th, 2022 City Council 6 PM
- f. June 7th, 2022 Park Board
- 7. Approval of Bills/Electronic Transfers: Walters made a motion to approve the Bills/Electronic Transfers as presented. Second by Keller. 5 ayes, 0 nays, motion carried.
- **8.** Adjourn: Kampa made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 PM. Second by Scheel. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.

Next City Council Meeting May 16th, 2022, 6 PM.

Julie Fandel - City Clerk

Brian Skroch, Mayor