



City of Rice
205 Main St E – PO Box 179
Rice, MN 56367



Rice City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday July 17th, 2023, 6:00 PM

Mayor Brian Skroch called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Present: Paula Kampa, Michelle Keller, Chris Scheel, Steve Wollak, Bobbi Caster, and Julie Fandel, City Clerk. Ken Nodo absent.

1. Keller made a motion to accept the agenda as presented for Monday July 17th, 2023. Second by Scheel. 4 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
2. Kampa made a motion to approve Consent Agenda as presented to include:
 - a. Approval of Planning Commission Meeting Minutes May 23rd, 2023
 - b. Approval of City Council Meeting Minutes June 20th, 2023.Second by Keller. 4 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
3. **Citizen Participation:** None
4. **BUSINESS**
 - a. Eagle Scout Project – Trent Hinkemeyer – Eagle Scout project to install a nine square game at Meadow Park. Explained the game and asked if our Public Works would be able to take it down for the winter, Wollak agreed that they would help. Kampa made a motion to allow the Eagle Scout Project. Second by Scheel. 4 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
 - b. Abby Wendt & Stephanie Skroch -Storm School Flags – They would like to team up when we put up the American flag and add a Storm flag. The Boy Scouts put the flags up and since they were at the meeting, they agreed that it was a great idea. Skroch asked Wollak if Public Works would be able to assist as needed, Wollak agreed. Scheel made a motion that the Rice PTA could add Strom flags with the help of both the Boy Scouts and Public Works. Second by Keller. 4 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
 - c. CD's 6 and 12 months. Kampa would like to put this on hold until a later meeting.
 - d. Well Bids – Bids were reviewed, Skroch gave updates that would lower the price. Scheel made a motion to accept the Steffl Mud Rotary bid for \$27,500.00 Second by Keller. Kampa asked Wollak if he had ever worked with them, he said no but Moore Engineering has. 4 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
 - e. Seal Coating Bids – Skroch explained that we only received one bid. Kampa made a motion to accept the bid from Asphalt Surface Technologies Corporation in the amount of \$107,354.00. Second by Scheel. 4 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
 - f. Fox Meadow Trail – Scheel made a motion to approve task order #5 as presented. Second by Kampa. 4 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
5. **Announcements/Upcoming Meetings:**
 - a. July 31st, 2023 – Planning Committee Meeting 7 PM
 - b. August 7th, 2023 - City Council Meeting 6 PM
 - c. August 1st, 2023 – Park Board Meeting 5 PM
 - d. August 7th, 2023 - City Council Meeting 6 PM
 - e. August 21st, 2023- City Council Meeting 6 PM.
 - f. August 28th, 2023 – Planning Committee Meeting 7 PM



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

a. Clerks Report - Hydrostat maybe looking to move the easement on their property. They originally asked to have the city abandoned it, but Moore Engineer said that we should move it. If they decide to move it, it will be at their cost.

b. Public Works – Sewer ponds have had some erosion issues, they have had no maintenance, Burski hauled in rocks. We found that the discharge valve needed to be replaced and moved. We also had issues at the Vet Clinic parking lot, the valve was broken and needed to be moved before they tar. We will need Nelson to camera on the corner of 1st Ave SE. Thanks to Bobbi and Julie for helping organize the cards with the curb stops on them.

Whenever we have any time, we try to find more, next newsletter if Julie could add that if you know where your curb stop is let us know. Kampa apologized but went back to if the bids for 6th came in, Fandel said they had not, but she will let them know.

6. Approval of Bills/Electronic Transfers: Keller made a motion to approve the Bills/Electronic Transfers as presented. Second by Scheel. 4 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.

7. Adjourn: Kampa made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 PM. Second by Scheel. 4 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.

Next City Council Meeting August 7th, 2023, 6 PM.

Julie Fandel – City Clerk

Brian Skroch, Mayor