



City of Rice
205 Main St E – PO Box 179
Rice, MN 56367
Rice City Council
Regular Meeting Minutes
Monday June 3rd, 2024, 6:00 PM



Mayor Skroch called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm. Present: Brian Skroch, Chris Scheel, Michelle Keller, Paula Kampa, Ken Nodo, Tim Grinstead, City Engineer, Bobby Vaillancourt, Public Works, and Julie Fandel, City Clerk.

1. Nodo made a motion to accept the agenda. Second by Keller. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
2. Kampa made a motion to approve Consent Agenda as presented to include:
 - a. Approval City Council Meeting Minutes May 20th, 2024.
Second by Keller. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
3. **Citizen Participation:** None
4. **BUSINESS**
 - a. Resolution #060324-10 a Resolution Appointing Elections Judges for the 2024 Primary and General Election. Scheel made a motion to approve Resolution #060324-10 a Resolution Appointing Elections Judges for the 2024 Primary and General Election. Second by Keller. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
 - b. Large Gathering Permit – Immaculate Conception. Nodo made a motion to approve the Large Gathering Permit for Immaculate Conception. Second by Keller. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
 - c. Resolution #060324-11 Lawful Gambling Immaculate Conception. Scheel made a motion to approve Resolution #060324-11 for Lawful Gambling at Immaculate Conception fall festival on September 28th, 2024. Second by Kampa. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
 - d. Immaculate Conception – Temporary Liquor License. Kampa made a motion to approve the Immaculate Conception Temporary Liquor License for the fall festival. Second by Keller. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
 - e. Cannabis Business. Kampa made a motion to follow Benton County in have them manage the cannabis business registration. Second by Scheel. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.
 - f. Stantec – Review projects they are working on, meeting tomorrow with the Railroad, hoping to be ready for bids on the Fox Meadows Trail by July 12th, locates were called in for the well site and 4th Avenue bids are set for June 17th, 2024.

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

Clerks Report – We have had a lot of dog complaints over the last weeks, I have been sending letters. Troy Gilchrist is starting his own Law Office; do we want to move with him? The council asked Fandel to check his hourly rate, can he do our HR and will we need two different offices. I will be on vacation June 10 back June 13th. We have a drain issue in the city hall building, can I contact a plumber? After discussion it was approved to contact someone to check it out. Fandel added that she had a call with concerns about the swing sets not having the right fall protection, she and Bobby have been working on it and ordered some edging and then will get mulch, Kampa asked to be emailed when it is complete. Public Works – Nelson pumped the lift stations and did jetting. Rodney is working out well, we are just trying to keep up with the lawnmowing. Kampa thanked Bobby for doing an excellent job.



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6. Announcements/Upcoming Meetings:


- a. June 17th, 2024 - City Council Meeting 6 PM
- b. June 19th, 2024 – CLOSED Juneteenth 2024
- c. June 24th, 2024 – Planning Commission Meeting 7 PM
- d. July 1st, 2024 – City Council Meeting 6 PM
- e. July 2nd, 2024 – Park Board
- f. July 4th, 2024 – CLOSED July 4th

7. Approval of Bills/Electronic Transfers: Keller made a motion to approve the Bills/Electronic Transfers as presented. Second by Nodo. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.

8. Adjourn: Kampa made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 PM. Second by Scheel. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.

Next City Council Meeting June 17th, 2024, 6 PM.


Julie Fandel – City Clerk


Brian Skroch, Mayor