

City of Red Lake Falls
Summary of City Council Meeting
April 10, 2023
Minutes

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Red Lake Falls, Red Lake County, Minnesota was duly held in the Council Chambers of said City on the 10th day of April, 2023.

Members Present: Allen Bertilrud, Briana Ingraham, Joyce Kalbakdalen, Sara Kenfield, Cheryl Matzke

Members Absent: Neil Knaack

Others Present: Kathy Schmitz, Delray Sparby, Jane Thibert, Matt Swendra, Cavin Berube, Mitch Bernstein, Whitney Rupprecht, Scott Larson, Kristi Thorfinnson

The meeting was called to order at 6:15 p.m.

Ingraham moved, seconded by Matzke, to approve the Agenda as amended
6.01 Kristi Thorfinnson – NW MN HRA Res #04-01-2023 Small Cities Grant Application Sponsor & Res #04-02-2023 Declaring Slum and Blighted Area Res #04-02-23
6.02 Proposed Grinder Ordinance 2nd Reading & Passage
On vote being taken, the motion was unanimously passed.

Kalbakdalen moved, seconded by Ingraham, to approve the Consent Agenda Approval of the March 27, 2023 City Council Meeting Minutes with the addition of a notation that there was a discussion of the proposed grinder ordinance 56.01 Section e). Approval of the Bills and Disbursements
On vote being taken, the motion was unanimously passed.

New Business

Ingraham moved, seconded by Matzke to approve Res#04-01-2023 to act as the Small Cities Grant Application Sponsor.

For: Ingraham, Kalbakdalen, Kenfield, Matzke and Bertilrud. Absent: Knaack.

Against: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Kalbakdalen moved, seconded by Kenfield, to accept Resolution #04-02-2023, declaring a slum and blighted area.

For: Ingraham, Kalbakdalen, Kenfield, Matzke and Bertilrud. Absent: Knaack.

Against: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Matzke moved, seconded by Kalbakdalen, to have the 2nd reading of the proposed Grinder Ordinance No. 56.

On vote being taken, the motion was unanimously passed.

Kenfield moved, seconded by Matzke to accept, and pass Ordinance No. 56 as presented.

Council member Kenfield stated she wanted it to be clear that this was a hard decision and wants it to be clear & concise. Council member Ingraham stated that a lot of consideration went into this, and we will pursue the grant for a gravity-feed system. Mayor Bertilrud stated that the transfer does not take place until December 31, 2025.

**For: Ingraham, Kalbakdalen, Kenfield, Matzke and Bertilrud. Absent: Knaack.
Against: None. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

Kenfield moved, seconded by Kalbakdalen, to accept the grinder maintenance agreement between the city and Brad & Kris Kennett with said changes.

On vote being taken, the motion was unanimously passed.

Sheriff Mitch Bernstein reported that they have purchased 5,000 new sandbags and sand. Resources are available if anyone should need them. The fire department and Sheriff's Department will be getting together to start filling some sandbags.

Sheriff Bernstein informed the council that on April 20th there is a statewide tornado drill at 1:45 pm & 6:45 pm. Red Lake Falls will be participating and testing the sirens.

The meeting was recessed until April 24, 2023 at 4:00 pm in the lower level of City Hall.

Respectfully submitted,

Allen Bertilrud, Mayor
Kathleen Schmitz, City Administrator

The full minutes of the meeting are available for public inspection at City Hall or by standard or electronic mail upon request.