

**City of Red Lake Falls
City Council Meeting
December 19, 2022
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 19th day of December, 2022.

Members Present: Allen Bertilrud, Kevin Brevik, Briana Ingraham, Sara Kenfield, Neil Knaack

Members Absent: Cheryl Matzke

Others Present: Kathy Schmitz, Jane Thibert, Lawrence Larson

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Added items 6.04 Resolution #12-04-22 Declaring Slum & Blighted Area and Resolution #12-05-22 Small Cities Grant Application Sponsor.

Ingraham moved, seconded by Brevik to approve the amended Agenda.

On vote being taken, the motion was unanimously passed.

CONSENT AGENDA

Kenfield moved, seconded by Brevik, to approve the amended Consent Agenda to include the Approval of Administrator Schmitz to pay any normal bills through December 31,2022.

Approval of the December 5, 2022 Public Hearing – Truth & Taxation

Approval of the December 5, 2022 City Council Meeting Minutes

Approval of the Bills and Disbursements

On vote being taken, the motion was unanimously passed.

PUBLIC INFORMATION/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Administrator Schmitz informed the member of the community that was in attendance that if he was there about grinders, that it was not on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

Kristi Thorfinnson gave an update on the SCDP Grant. They will be submitting the pre-application in January in the amount of 1,258,200.00, 15% will come off for administrative fees. Red Lake Falls had a good response with 57 homeowner, 13 businesses and 2 rental properties submitting letters of intent.

- Letters of intent can still be submitted.
- Local contractors are encouraged to apply, and the homeowners will decide who the specs are sent out to.
- Contracts are made between the homeowner & contractor.

- Contractors must carry insurance and be licensed if applicable in the state.
- Davis-Bacon wages apply for Commercial & Rental rehab.
- Commercial properties have a \$40,000.00 limit with a 20/80 split, own the property for 5 years to be deferred.
- Rental properties have a 70/30 split with a \$15,500 limit per unit with \$155,000.00 allotted in the grant.
- Homeowners \$24,500.00 deferred loan if they stay in the home 7 years.
- Homeowners rehab program to bring homes up to HUD quality standards.
- Two to three public hearings will be held throughout the 36-month grant timeline.

Kenfield moved, seconded by Knaack to approve resolution #12-04-22 Declaring Slum and Blighted Area.

For: Brevik, Ingraham, Kenfield, Knaack, and Bertilrud. Absent: Matzke. Against: None. MOTION CARRIED

Kenfield moved, seconded by Knaack to approve resolution #12-05-22 Small Cities Grant Application Sponsor.

For: Brevik, Ingraham, Kenfield, Knaack, and Bertilrud. Absent: Matzke. Against: None. MOTION CARRIED

Ingraham moved, seconded by Brevik to approve Resolution #12-03-22 accepting an Emergency Responder Grant to the Red Lake Falls Fire Department for \$4,600.00.

For: Brevik, Ingraham, Kenfield, Knaack, Bertilrud. Absent: Matzke. Against: None. MOTION CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Allen Bertilrud, Mayor
Kathleen Schmitz, City Administrator