

MINUTES OF THE PROCTOR CITY COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 1st, 2024

Meeting was streamed live on the Trac 7 YouTube channel.

Mayor Ward called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance

PRESENT: Mayor Chad Ward, Councilor Troy DeWall, Councilor Jake Benson, Councilor Jim Rohweder, Councilor Rory Johnson

OTHERS PRESENT: Administrative Assistant Megan Jordan

M/S/P: Rohweder/Johnson to approve the City Council minutes from Monday, March 18th, 2024.

M/S/P: Ward/Benson to approve the agenda for Monday, April 1, 2024.

COMMENTS AND SUGGESTIONS FROM CITIZENS PRESENT:

NONE

M/S/P: Johnson/Rohweder to approve the consent agenda for Monday, April 1, 2024, adding item: 5C. St. Lukes Arena – Parking Improvements/Accommodations under unfinished business.

4. Clerk Advises Council

A. LG 510 – 2023 Report

M/S/P: Benson/Ward to approve the charitable gambling LG510 report for 2023 as submitted.

B. LBAE April 30th, 2024, 10:00 am – 11:00 am

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. City of Proctor Blight Policy

B. Legislative Agenda – Officer Recruitment and Training Reimbursement

C. St. Lukes Arena – Parking Improvements/Accommodations

6. NEW BUSINESS

A. Resolution 16-24: a resolution approving Minnesota laws 2023, chapter 64, article 10, section 42, allowing the city of proctor to impose a local sales tax

M/S/P: Ward/Rohweder to approve resolution 16-24 as submitted.

B. Resolution 17-24: A Resolution Adopting Title and Ballot Language Pertaining to a Local Option Sales Tax Authorized by the Minnesota Legislature,

to be Submitted to the Qualified Voters of the City of Proctor at the General Election on November 5, 2024.

Mayor Ward states this resolution needs to be approved 90 days before the general election on November 5th, 2024. Councilor Benson would like to table the resolution until April 15th, 2024 meeting. Councilor Rohweder suggests adding the scope to the sales tax to be allocated for parks in addition to trails.

M/S/P: Benson/DeWall to table Resolution 17-24 until the next city council meeting on April 15th, 2024.

C. Resolution 18-24: Declaring Surplus Equipment

M/S/P: Johnson/Rohweder to approve Resolution 18-24: Declaring Surplus Equipment as submitted.

Equipment in the Trac 7 room has been inventoried, documented with Ted Kiefat requesting the items to be declared as surplus with usable items to be donated to Rails TV at the school. Councilor Benson states the cable commission has met regarding the inventory of items, and has authorized donating or disposal of items. It is noted city staff and departments received notification of the items up for surplus and had the opportunity to determine if any equipment could be utilized. Councilor DeWall requests city staff to research stipulations regarding government entities donating to schools or other government entities. Councilor Benson requests adding an estimated valuation of the declared items to the resolution.

M/S amended by Johnson/Rohweder to table item 6C: Resolution 18-24 Declaring Surplus Equipment until the meeting on April 15th, 2024.

Municipal Cannabis Dispensary

M/S/P: Ward/Benson to create an ad hoc committee exploring the options of a municipally owned cannabis dispensary.

M/S/P: Ward/DeWall to form an ad hoc committee for a municipally owned dispensary consisting of: the City Administrator, Chief Gaidis, Councilor Johnson, Councilor Benson, and Mountain Spirits Liquor Store Manage, Andrew Brunner.

E. Ordinance 01-24: ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION §71.08 OF THE CITY CODE ENTITLED “WINTER PARKING REGULATIONS” – 2nd Reading

M/S/P: Benson/Rohweder to accept the second reading of the amended city code §71.08 “Winter Parking Regulations” section as submitted.

MEMBER CONCERNS

Rohweder: None

DeWall: None

Johnson: None

Benson: Acknowledges Deputy Mayor DeWall for delivering an outstanding speech on behalf of the City of Proctor in Mayor Ward’s absence at the State of the City.

Mayor Ward: Gratitude to Councilor DeWall for delivering his speech and attending the State of the City on his behalf. Proctor Fire Department will hold their bingo fundraising event on Saturday, April 13th, 2024 at 5:00 pm at the Buffalo House.

General: \$49,509.10

Liquor: \$29,860.24

TOTAL BILLS FOR APPROVAL: \$79,369.34

M/S/P: Rohweder/Johnson to pay the bills as submitted.

M/S/P: DeWall/Ward to adjourn the meeting at 6:30 pm.