

**MINUTES OF MEETING - DELLWOOD CITY COUNCIL**  
**November 14, 2023**

The regular monthly meeting of the Council of the City of Dellwood was held at City Hall, 111 Wildwood Road, Willernie, MN on November 14, 2023.

**Present:** Mayor Mike McGill called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. This meeting was held in-person with non-council members allowed to attend by remote means.

Councilpersons attending in-person were Scott St. Martin, Deb Christopherson and Greg Boosalis. Council member Brady Ramsay was absent.

City Staff members attending in person were City Clerk Joel Holstad, City Planner Nate Sparks (by zoom) City Treasurer Brian Beich, City Attorney Richard W. Copeland.

Others present in person were: John Carr.

Also present remotely were Mike Brooks and Blanche Hawkins.

Mayor McGill asked if anyone was present for public comment: No one was present for public comments.

Mayor McGill noted that item No. 6 on the Agenda has been removed at the request of Mr. Copeland.

**Agenda:** Upon motion by Boosalis, second by Christopherson, the Agenda for this meeting was unanimously approved with the deletion of Item 6, the matter involving the eradication of oriental bittersweet in certain parts of the City.

**August Council Minutes.** Upon motion by St. Martin, second by Christopherson, the Minutes of the October 14, 2023 City Council Minutes were unanimously approved.

**ITEM 1: 2023 Street Improvement Update.**

City Engineer Cara Geheren was unable to attend this meeting. Mayor McGill reported that Cara had submitted a pay request from the Contractor in the amount of \$54,057.85. On motion by McGill, second by Boosalis, payment of \$54,057.85 was unanimously approved.

Mayor McGill noted that culvert extension in Pine Tree Hills are being completed according to quotes received by the City from JACON.

**ITEM 2: Liquor License Renewals for WBYC, Dellwood Country Club and 7 Vines Winery – 3.2% per license.**

The Washington County Sheriff has completed its background inspections and found no violations. The licenses are in property condition for renewal in year 2024.

On motion by McGill, second by Christopherson, the Council resolved unanimously to approve the renewal of the foregoing licenses for year 2024.

The application by 7 Vines Winery for a license for on-sale strong beer was discussed. The Council has agreed to approve a license allowing the Winery to sell strong beer for consumption on -site in addition to the on-site sale of 3.2% beer and the sale of wine and wine products are already approved under the Farm Winery License held by 7 Vines Winery.

No sale of other liquor products are permitted. No sale of wine or wine-related products is allowed beyond that which is permitted by the existing Farm Winery License. The I.U.P. currently held by 7 Vines will be amended as necessary to reflect the foregoing conditions, provided that 7 Vines satisfactorily passes the inspection of the premises by the State.

**ITEM 3:** LMCIT Liability, Inc.

On motion by McGill, second by Boosalis, the Council voted unanimously to notify LMCIT that the City does not waive the Statutory Liability Limits.

**ITEM 4: Fire Services Contract.**

St. Martin reviewed the proposed contract between the City of Dellwood and the City of White Bear Lake. He stated that the contract has been increased considerably in price, but still is a benefit to the City. The contract requires two-year advance notice to WBL to terminate the contract. He is recommending that the City Council approve the contract renewal as submitted by WBL, and so moved. Christopherson seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved by the Council.

**ITEM 5:** Washington County FEMA Grant Program.

City Clerk Holstad explained that the County is applying for grant money to be administered and distributed by FEMA. All Cities within Washington County must join in the application. A proposed Resolution has been submitted for approval by the City. Funds available under this program may be available next summer.

Boosalis moved to approve the proposed Resolution and St. Martin seconded. Upon vote, the Council members present unanimously resolve to approve and sign the Resolution and forward it on to Washington County.

**Claims and Receipts List: August 2023.**

Upon motion by St. Martin, seconded by Christopherson, the Claims and Receipts List for October 2023 was reviewed and discussed. The Council approved the Claims and Receipts List as submitted.

**Reports of Commissioners.**

**St. Martin** remarked that the Sheriff's monthly ICR report is now much more informative.

**Boosalis** reported on the SHIP Grant through Washington County. He is currently awaiting more detailed information from the County.

He reported that some, but not all, of the REKOR LPR's have been identified.

Speed monitoring signs have been installed on Apple Orchard Road.

**McGill** reported 14 new building permits, 4 remodels, 5 roofs, and 5 miscellaneous.

There being no further business, and on motion by McGill, second by Boosalis the meeting was adjourned at 5:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Joel Holstad, City Clerk/Administrator