

**MINUTES OF MEETING  
DELLWOOD CITY COUNCIL  
JUNE 11, 2024**

The regular meeting of the Council of the City of Dellwood was held on June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024, at the city offices, 111 Wildwood Road, Willernie MN. This meeting was accessible to the public by remote means.

Councilmembers present in-person were Mayor Mike McGill, Scott St. Martin, Deb Christopherson, and Brady Ramsay. Council member Greg Boosalis was absent.

Staff members present in-person were City Clerk Joel Holstad, City Planner Nate Sparks, City Treasurer Brian Beich, and City Attorney Richard Copeland. Also present in-person was Ken Johnson City Road Maintenance Contractor.

Former Dellwood city councilmember Allen Beale was present in-person for public comment.

Mr. Beale stated his objections to the City's approval of License Plate Readers being placed at various locations in the City. He stated that they are not necessary and are an invasion of residents' privacy rights. Mr. Beale was told to contact Council member Boosalis if he wished to discuss the matter further.

Treasurer Brian Beich stated that the LPRs were obtained and installed using COVID grant funds and at no cost to the taxpayers.

AGENDA: changes were made moving Canvas health to No. 4, Election Judges to No.5 and Cannabis to No.6. McGill moved to approve the agenda as amended. Christopherson seconded, and the amended agenda was unanimously approved.

MINUTES: Ramsay moved to approve the minutes of the May14th Council meeting as submitted. Second by Christopherson. The minutes were unanimously approved with no changes. Clerk Holstad stated that he became aware of an error in the April 2024 Council minutes whereby it was said that Starry Stonewort algae was present in White bear Lake. It should say that these algae are not yet present but are of concern to the Conservation District Board. On motion by McGill, second by Christopherson, the April City Council meeting minutes are amended to reflect that change.

Item No. 1: Mayor's and Councilmembers salaries: A discussion was held regarding the considerable amount of time and work performed by the mayor due to the lack of a full time administrative staff. The current pay scale for the Mayoral position is deemed to be inadequate in light of that which is paid by other comparable cities. St Martin moved to increase the annual salary for the position of Mayor from \$1800 to \$6000, starting as of

January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025. Ramsay seconded the motion, and the council members voted to approve the increase. Mayor McGill abstained from voting.

St. Martin moved to table the question of an increase to the salaries for the position of City Council members to the July Council meeting. Ramsay seconded, and the matter of Council members' salary increase was so tabled.

Item No. 2: Speed limit on Quail Road: Current signage indicates speed limits of 25mph, 30 mph, and 35 mph at various segments of Quail Rd. the 25mph segment is entirely in the City of Mahtomedi. The council members were in agreement that the speed limit for Quail Rd. throughout Dellwood should properly be 35mph. Ken Johnson was directed to see to it that a 35mph sign be placed at or near the Dellwood city line for northerly bound traffic, and at or near the intersection with Highway 96 for southerly bound traffic, Any signs currently in place to the contrary are to be removed. Mr. Copeland stated that the city has the authority to establish a limit of 35mph on any city street which lies adjacent to a Rural Residential Area, and that Quail Rd in Dellwood appears to fall within that designation. Upon motion duly made and seconded, the Council resolved that the speed limit on Quail Rd. in Dellwood shall remain at 35mph.

Item No. 3: Rotary Club of WBL, application for a temporary gambling license. The applicant intends to conduct a raffle. Mr. Copeland stated that the application is complete in all respects and the applicant is qualified to receive a license to allow a raffle on the date and in the location shown on the application. Mayor McGill moved to approve the application as requested, with no waiting period required. Christopherson seconded, and the application was approved, with no waiting period. Ramsay abstained from voting.

Item No. 4; Canvas Health application for a temporary gambling permit. This is an application to conduct a raffle. The applicant qualifies for a temporary gambling permit as a non-profit charitable organization under IRS Code 501C. Mr. Copeland stated that further proof of the applicant's tax-exempt status is needed. He will contact the applicant to see that the proper documentation is received by the city. Ramsay moved to approve the application to allow for a raffle to be conducted at the time and place stated in the application, on condition that the documentation is filed with the city and approved by Mr. Copeland. McGill seconded the motion, and it was unanimously approved with no waiting period required.

Item No. 5: Election JUDGES. Holstad presented his proposed list of Judges for the upcoming general election, and alternates. McGill moved to approve those persons named on such list as official election Judges and alternate Judges, to serve as such in the general election to take place this year. Christopherson seconded, and the motion was unanimously approved.

Item No. 6: Public hearing on Interim Ordinance No. 2024-3: The purpose of this ordinance is to impose a moratorium upon the sale and distribution of cannabis products to allow

time for the city to conduct a study to determine what controls and regulations may be needed. City Planner Nate Sparks explained why the moratorium is needed. He presented a proposed Interim Ordinance for the purpose of establishing a moratorium, to be in effect until the end of year 2024 at the latest. St. Martin moved to adopt the Interim Ordinance as presented. Christopherson seconded the motion. The council voted unanimously to adopt Interim Ordinance No. 2024-3 to be effective from this day through December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024. There were no persons present to comment on this matter. The public hearing was thereupon closed at 6:10 PM.

Claims and Receipts List: mayor McGill moved to approve the Claims and Receipts List for the month of May 2024, with no changes. Ramsay seconded. The claims and receipts for the month of May, 2024, were unanimously approved, as submitted.

Reports of Commissioners: St. martin commented on the Sheriff's ICR report for May. He also stated that there is a culvert on Shady woods Rd. which is in need of repair. Erosion is occurring nearby. McGill reported a light post which has been downed by a falling tree, on Apple orchard Rd. This is not a city-owned post.

There being no further business, and upon motion by Ramsay, second by Christopherson, this meeting was adjourned at 6:16 PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Joel Holstad Dellwood City Clerk / Administrator