

AGENDA ADDITIONS
June 4, 2024 at 5:30pm
Regular Meeting Ely City Council – City Hall, Council Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL: Council members A.Forsman, Kess, Debeltz, Callen, Campbell, Bisbee, and Mayor Omerza

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
(4-9) Approve minutes from the May 21, 2024 Regular Council Meeting.

4. ADDITIONS OR OMISSIONS TO AGENDA:

5. MAYOR'S REPORT:

6. CONSENT AGENDA:
 - A. Motion to waive readings in entirety of all ordinances and resolutions on tonight's agenda.
 - B. (10) Make the June 13, 2024 a Special Council Meeting for the Community Presentation by SafeTech Solutions regarding the Future of EMS at 4pm at the Ely Senior Center.

7. REQUESTS TO APPEAR:

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS:
 - A. Standing/Special
 - a. (11-14) Board of Adjustment (BOA)
 - i. Matter of Information: Board of Adjustment approved the variance for Frisky Otter at 302 E Sheridan St to have an additional freestanding sign on the property.
 - ii. Matter of Information: Board of Adjustment approve the variance submitted by Daniel Krings at 718 Lakeview Ave N for the front yard setback requirements in the Shagawa Lake Shoreland Overlay District of 35 feet, to 20 feet for the proposed residential home remodel.
 - b. (15-17) Planning and Zoning Commission
 - i. Matter of Information: June's Planning and Zoning meeting will be on June 12th at 5:30pm due to June 19th being a Holiday.
 - c. (18-28) Ely Utilities Commission (EUC)
 - i. Recommendation from EUC to approve attendance to the MMUA Summer Conference in Fargo, ND, August 19-21,2024.
 - ii. Recommendation from EUC to approve Clerk Harold Langowski's nomination to the MMUA Board of Directors.

- iii. (21-28) Recommendation from EUC to publish the Drinking Water Consumer Confidence Report in the Ely Echo and the City of Ely website.
- iv. Recommendation from EUC to approve \$77,864.16 payment to Rice Lake Construction Group for Pay Estimate #17 at the Waste Water Treatment Facility.
- v. Recommendation from EUC to approve \$4,832.98 payment to Duluth Archeology Center, LLC for phase one of the archeological review of the new pump house area.
- vi. Recommendation from EUC to approve \$43,080 payment to WESCO for the purchase of decorative light poles.
- vii. Recommendation from EUC to approve \$1,138.48 lighting rebate to MN North College, VCC Campus.
- viii. Recommendation from EUC to approve \$404,414.90 payment of EUC April Bills.
- ix. Recommendation from EUC to approve \$1000 payment to Mick Shusta for A Operator Services.

d. (29-31) Telecommunications Advisory Board (TAB)

- i. Recommendation from TAB to authorize to proceed with CTC on the installation of fiber and purchase of equipment not to exceed \$20,000 if an agreement can be finalized concerning the use of WIFI with the festival organizers.
- ii. (31) Recommendation from TAB to pay Ely Area Television \$200 for the Additional filming in May.

e. (32-38) Employee Relations (ER)

- i. (33-38) Recommendation from ER to approve job description of Building Engineer and the position posted internally per the employee contract.
- ii. Recommendation from ER to authorize the ER Committee to interview the three internal candidates for the position of Public Works Foreman.

f. (39-41) Range Association of Municipalities & Schools (RAMS)

g. Other Committee Meetings

9. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

A. Clerk-Treasurer

- i. (42-44) Pioneer Mine – Ore Car Donation

B. Fire Chief

C. Library Director

D. Police Chief

E. City Attorney

- i. (45-46) 2nd Reading Ordinance No. 377 An Ordinance of the City of Ely, Minnesota Adding to the Ely City Code, Chapter 20, Section 20.1.30, Entitled Zoning Map Amendment (Old Depot Site – 212 N Central Ave)

F. City Engineer

10.COMMUNICATIONS:

11.CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT:

- A. (47-50) City and EUC Claims for June 4, 2024 for \$85,697.81

12.OLD BUSINESS:

13.NEW BUSINESS:

- A. (51-52) Accept the resignation from Aspen (A.Z) Eck from the Ely Tree Board and Park and Recreation Board and to post for the open positions.

14.OPEN FORUM:

15.ADJOURN:

**Regular Meeting Ely City Council – City Hall, Council Chambers
May 21, 2024 – Minutes**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Omerza called the council meeting to order at 5:30pm.

PRESENT: Council members A.Forsman, Kess, Debeltz, Callen, Campbell, Bisbee, and Mayor Omerza

ABSENT: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Debeltz/Callen moved to approve minutes from the May 7, 2024 Regular Council Meeting. Motion Carried Unanimously.

ADDITIONS OR OMISSIONS TO AGENDA:

Campbell/Calen moved to add Additions 8.A Budget Committee. Motion Carried Unanimously

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Omerza thanked the Police Department for getting the word out that the smoke in the air this last Sunday was from the Canada Fires. Chief Houde indicated to never assume that the smoke is from somewhere else, we did have a grass fire that afternoon in Ely, be aware of what is going on and report any close smoke and fire you may see. Mayor Omerza told people to also check out the Forest Services Facebook page they have a lot of up-to-date information on it.

Mayor Omerza indicated that Little League has started, be aware of the kids around the school and Whiteside Park, also school will be out soon so kids will be out and about more. Be aware of the crosswalks and of more people being in town.

Mayor Omerza congratulated the End of the Road Archers; a couple of the kids continue to move on.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Motion to waive readings in entirety of all ordinances and resolutions on tonight's agenda.
- B. Hold a Public Hearing on June 18, 2024 from 5-5:30pm to accept public comments for the Water Intake and Burntside Water Main Replacement Project in the Council Chambers at Ely City Hall.

Debeltz/Bisbee moved to approve the consent agenda items A and B. Motion Carried Unanimously.

REQUESTS TO APPEAR:

Barb Jones – 2011 Pine Tree Trail - Ely 2016 Comprehensive Plan – Ely Climate Group
Jones indicated that she represents the Ely Climate Group, they have been meeting monthly for several years. They had a speaker from Morris, Minnesota, Tony Goodnough, who spoke on "Sustainability for Small Cities." Morris is an agricultural area with abundant wind energy, they have attracted research, grant and government funding to build a sustainable energy supply and backup storage, established a local food sourcing initiative and cooperative network between county, city, conservation district, schools, and health providers.

Morris is similar to Ely in size, but we have quite different resources. Ely attracts visitors and residents because of its location. Ely has first class wilderness access and outdoor recreation

opportunities in addition to its learning and arts scenes. Jones indicated that we should decide if any of the plans developed and used in Morris are appropriate for Ely. We note that having a plan enables funding. It is the first part of any proposal. Projects in a well-designed plan have a good chance of being done.

Jones stated that another local example of a city planning for its future is Grand Marais. They have a well-developed "Community Vision Plan" and "Climate Action Plans" that are easily found on their city website. The Community Vision Plan is an overview of the planning process, full of beautiful images. The Climate Action Plans are detailed numbers and graphs of progress made. Ely has more in common with Grand Marais than with Morris. They are similar in size with both attracting residents and visitors because of their natural beauty.

Jones stated that Ely has things to brag about too: the new library conforms to the highest energy efficiency and green building standards as will the new trail center. We have excellent infrastructure and organizations, including the State Theater, the Wolf and Bear Centers, the College and Schools, the Hospital and Clinic, the Folk School, museums, many arts organizations, outfitters, restaurants, hotels, winter and summer festivals, trails, and more, all are first rate well supported and successful.

Jones stated that it is time that Ely updated its own long-term plan. The materials from Grand Marais provide a use full example of how to do this.

The Members of the Ely Climate group have shown a lot of enthusiasm for thinking about Ely's potential. We need to plan now for what we need in 10 to 20 years' time. Ely should be considering a development like Oryn Kringstad's "Tower Vision 2025" with energy efficient housing for vacation stays and workforce and senior housing? Should we encourage new light industry for sustainable energy? Should we install more rooftop solar, more EV chargers, more public transportation, more heat pumps and fewer propane tanks? What are the Council's ideas? We need over all aspirational goals, then we need detailed projects. Jones invited everyone to come to the Ely Climate Group meeting on June 11th.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Standing/Special

Heritage Preservation Commission (HPC)

Campbell indicated that the Ely High School Centennial Oral History project has been completed. June 26th will be the premiere date as part of a history night at the Ely-Winton Historical Society.

Projects Committee

Callen/Debeltz moved to approve the recommendation from Projects Committee to approve the submission of an investigation grant to DEED for the Depot Project. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Budget Committee

A.Forsman/Kess moved to approve the recommendation from Budget Committee to approve the purchases from EATI for \$22,401.34, Motorola solutions for \$6,433.20 and SHI for \$3,073.65 to outfit the new police squad.

Chief Houde explained what the purchases are for. The EATI is for the new lights and wiring, taking the old back seat out and putting in the cage. The prices have increases since the last purchase, usually we can use the same equipment in a new car, but they have changed the

model of the cars so it does not fit anymore. The Motorola is to purchase new radio, which we need to update to be federally compliant. The SHI is for a new computer for the squad car.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.Forsman/Debeltz moved to approve the recommendation from Budget Committee to direct city staff to come up with a strategy and costs to implement the use of Body Cameras and Squad Cameras.

Chief Houde explained that we would choose one or the other Body Cameras or Squad Cameras, and Body Cameras would be the preferred to start. Once we start the process, we will need to have public hearings and public comment before they can be purchased.

Debeltz asked if there are any federal programs that can help fund these.

Chief Houde stated that there are and Assistant Chief Lorenz is looking into them.

Forsman stated that the motion is just to look into a plan to move forward. We are not allocating any money at this time, we are just getting ready to be ready.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

A.Forsman/Callen moved to approve the recommendation from Budget Committee to approve the purchase from Crysteel Truck Equipment for \$168,697 the parts quoted to outfit the new Dump Truck.

A.Forsman indicated that we are seeing an increase in costs for everything.

Kess indicated that we have started the budget process and it is going to be very tight with all the rising costs.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

A.Forsman/Campbell moved to approve the recommendation from Budget Committee to direct city staff to work with the league softball and youth leagues utilizing City Fields, on agreement, concerning property use and maintenance expectations.

A.Forsman indicated that the Softball, Little League, and Girls Softball Fields are on City Property, we provide these fields for the recreation of our citizens and neighboring township citizens. We feel that the participants in these leagues that use these fields should help with the upkeep and maintenance of the fields. We need an agreement with each of these leagues to know where everyone stands, we are providing the property for these to take place, but need everyone to contribute for them for them to stay in proper shape.

Omerza indicated that this will help with the shift in leadership from year to year.

Bisbee stated that Park and Rec have had discussions with Little League, will these agreements come back to Park and Rec for review?

Langowski stated that they will. The plan is to meet up with the groups to discuss the expectations. We need to work as a group to make sure the use of these fields is able to continue.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

A.Forsman/Bisbee moved to approve the recommendation from Budget Committee to approve the purchase of the Mail Box Cluster for Sibley Court Drive as quoted from mailboxes.com for \$2,565.00, if necessary.

A.Forsman stated that Bisbee might have an inside track on getting something for a less cost, this is required for the new Sibley Court area. A.Forsman indicated that this is a postal service mandate now, for new cul de sac areas they do not have individual mailboxes on each house.

Bisbee indicated that if the box cluster exists prior to the upgrade then the responsibility falls on the owners of the houses, if it is being added as a new location it is the responsibility us in this case.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.Forsman/Callen moved to approve the recommendation from Budget Committee to approve the purchase of Barricades as quoted for \$3,386 from Locators and Supplies.

Motion Carried Unanimously

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Clerk-Treasurer

Fire Chief

Chief Marshall discussed the current fire and medical calls for the Fire Department. They are in the process of interviewing four new applicants for the Fire Department.

Library Director

Library Director Heinrich discussed the current programming for the Ely Library which can be found on the library website

Police Chief

Chief Houde reminded everyone the last day of school is May 30, and to watch out for kids playing and being more active around town.

Chief Houde stated that we have had some vandalism in the local park. Chief Houde encouraged the parents to talk with there kids, we want the kids to go out and enjoy our parks and facilities, but when you are using the parks and facilities be respectful of them, don't make a mess, don't destroy anything. When these issues damage property and cost the city time and money that is where it is an issue. Please talk to you kids, and be aware of what they are up to. A.Forsman stated that he is appalled at what he has seen around here. A.Forsman stated that yesterday morning two of the public works staff, who should have been out filling potholes had to take time to clean up after some pigs that had defecated on a trash can lids down by the rec center. It is not just money you are costing us; it is also time and having a decent city to live in. A.Forsman stated that there is talk about the comp plan to make the city better, but we have to do better than this. There is no reason for this, you are not only ruining one thing, you are preventing things from getting fixed around town and preventing our Public Works staff from getting the things done that they need to.

Mayor Omerza stated if you see something, everyone has a cell phone, dial 911.

Chief Houde told the public do not hesitate to call 911 if you see something, please call!

Whether it is kids or adults, Houde would like for his officers to go talk to these people. We have had vandalism that has been done by adults. Some of this stuff is appalling, please call if you see anything.

Langowski indicated that over the weekend we had a bag of dirty diapers left at the recycle center. This is one of those reoccurring issues and Langowski agreed with A.Forsman's frustration with what we end up dealing with. All this takes time away from the Public Works staff, we have a small crew, when time is spent cleaning up these types of messes it is taking time away from the work, we need them to do and the other improvements we are doing around the city.

City Attorney

Callen/Debeltz moved to approve the Mortgage Satisfaction for Madalynne Reese and Kathleen Quigley recorded as Document No. 1058697.0 on July 12, 2022 and the Note and Mortgage for the Residential Rehab loan for Kathy Quigley and Madalynne Reese for \$10,025.78 at 1139 E Washington St to install a moisture barrier in the basement. Motion Carried Unanimously

Kess/A.Forsman moved to approve the 1st Reading of Ordinance No. 377 An Ordinance of the City of Ely, Minnesota Adding to the Ely City Code, Chapter 20, Section 20.1.30, Entitled Zoning Map Amendment.

Kess indicated that this is for the Old Depot at 212 N Central Ave, changing the zoning from Industrial to Commercial.

Roll Called: Council members A.Forsman-Yes, Kess- Yes, Debeltz – Yes, Callen-Yes, Campbell- Yes, Bisbee-Yes, Mayor Omerza-Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Campbell/Bisbee moved to schedule a public hearing for Ordinance 377 on June 4, 2024 at 5:15pm in the Council Chambers at Ely City Hall. Motion Carried Unanimously

City Engineer

COMMUNICATIONS: Matter of Information

Building and Development Summit for Northeast Minnesota – Energizing Housing Projects on the Iron Range and Surrounding Communities – May 22nd Iron Trail Motors Event Center – Virginia, MN

CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT:

- A. City and EUC Claims for May 21, 2024 for \$239,426.53
- B. AE2S Invoices: #94633 for WTP Improvements for \$6,631.25, and Invoice #94631 for WWTF Improvements Project for \$4,866.75.
- C. SEH Invoice #466533 for the Prospector ATV Connect Four for \$10,650.00
- D. Pay Estimate #17 for the WWTF Improvements Project for \$77,864.16 payable to Rice Lake Construction Group
- E. Change Order #2 for the 2022 Street Improvements/Spaulding Phase III project which decreases the contract amount by \$99,424.66 and Pay Estimate #6 for \$18,252.11 payable to Utility Systems of America.
- F. Burntside Ridge Trail Association, 2024 Road Dues for \$300.00.

A.Forsman/Callen moved to approve the Claims for Payment items A-F. Motion Carried Unanimously

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Debeltz/Campbell moved to approve Resolution 2024-023 Resolution Authorizing Application for Ely Blue Line Club to Apply for Raffle Permit. Roll Called: Council members A.Forsman-Yes, Kess- Yes, Debeltz – Yes, Callen-Yes, Campbell- Yes, Bisbee-Yes, Mayor Omerza-Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A.Forsman/Bisbee moved to approve the Temporary Liquor License for the Ely Fire Relief Association for June 29, 2024 in Whiteside Park, July 6, 2024 in Whiteside Park, and July 26-28, 2024 in Whiteside Park. Motion Carried Unanimously

Debeltz/Campbell moved to approve the Listing Contract” Exclusive Right to Sell for Keller Williams Classic Realty NW for East Spaulding First Addition, Lot 6, Block 4, contract starts May 31, 2024 and ends on May 31, 2025. Motion Carried Unanimously

OPEN FORUM: None

ADJOURN:

Mayor Omerza adjourned the meeting at 6:37pm without objection.

Casey Velcheff
Deputy Clerk

Community Presentation

The Future of EMS

Presentation by SafeTech Solutions

June 13, 2024

4:00 pm

The Ely Senior Center

27 South First Avenue East
Ely, MN 55731

This presentation will:

- Identify key **observations**
- Identifying keys to ongoing **sustainability**
- **Recommendations** for potential system designs
- **Financial Considerations**
- **Pros and Cons** of various models



SafeTech Solutions was hired by Ely-Bloomenson Community Hospital (EBCH) to complete a comprehensive examination of various ways to help regional Emergency Medical Services (EMS) improve stability in a complex and ever-changing industry. SafeTech Solutions' mission is "To facilitate improvement and change through listening, evaluating, educating, and guiding."

ebch.org

328 W Conan St.
Ely, MN 55731
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**Board of Adjustment Public Hearing
Minutes For Wednesday, May 15th, 2024 Sign Variance “Frisky Otter”**

1. Called to Order @ 5:01 PM: Roll Call: Prioreshi, Anderson, Hernesmaa, Riley, White, Roose. Staff Kochendorfer. Council Campbell. Excused: Palcher

2. Additions or Deletions from Agenda - none

3. Public Hearing for the consideration of a Variance request for The Frisky Otter, 302 E Sheridan St. The applicant is seeking a variance for the approval of an additional Freestanding Sign on the property. The current sign ordinance only allows for one freestanding sign on commercial zoned properties.

- The Variance Hearing Procedure was Read by Chair Roose

- The Public Hearing notice was read by Planning and Zoning Administrator Kochendorfer

4. The Applicant (Michael Cascone) will explain request

Planning and Zoning Administrator Kochendorfer explained the applicants request due to the applicant’s absence.

The proposal is for a 42” High by 69” Long freestanding sign to attach to existing sign posts. A previous variance was on file for the property, but did not indicate this current sign.

Currently, ordinance only allows (1) freestanding sign per parcel, and this would make for (2) total freestanding signs on the parcel to allow for more visual.

A letter from the owner, Michael Cascone was read.

All application and materials are included in the agenda packet.

Prioreshi- Does owner have to be here?

Kochendorfer- No

5. Letters received/ and or phone call comments read into record

- David Schmidt, owner of Wolfland computers, located at 423 E Sheridan St, is in Support of the additional signage

6. Those in support may comment

7.

Pada Beret- Women's Wilderness Discovery, 429 E Sheridan St- all for the signage. Owners seem enthusiastic, Sign has been there through previous owners. Much needed trees block current sign.

8. Those opposed may comment

- None

9. Comments from those who wish to provide additional information

- None

10. Applicant will have the opportunity to answer additional questions

11. Closure of the hearing @ 5:13 PM

12. Reading of the Finding of Facts

- The planning and zoning administrator read the finding of the facts (included in the agenda packet). **The Planning and Zoning Administrator recommends approval of the variance as requested.**

13. Decision rendered by the Planning Commission

Riley- interpretation of sign ordinance, and the allowance of more than one sign due to having street frontage on (2) streets

Kochendorfer- The ordinance that Riley is referring to is for temporary signs, 14.08 subd. 2(b). This does not apply in this situation, therefore the need for a variance.

There was some discussion on the clarity of the ordinance, and this is something staff could look into.

Motion Pioreschi to support the variance as requested for the additional signage/ Second White. Motion carries unanimously without objection.

14. Adjournment at 5:30 PM

Board of Adjustment Public Hearing
Minutes For Wednesday, May 15th, 2024 for Lakeview Ave Variance

1. Called to Order at 5:32 PM by Chair Roose. Roll Call: Prioreshi, Anderson, Hernesmaa, Riley, White, Roose. Staff Kochendorfer. Council Campbell. Excused: Palcher

2. Additions or Deletions from Agenda

3. Public Hearing for the consideration of a Variance request submitted by Daniel Krings for 718 Lakeview Ave N. The request is for a variance from the front yard setback requirements in the Shagawa Lake Shoreland Overlay District of 35 feet, to 20 feet for the proposed residential home remodel.

The Variance public hearing procedure was read by chair Roose.

The Public hearing notice was read by Planning and Zoning Administrator Kochendorfer

4. The Applicant (Daniel Krings) explained the request

Mr. Krings – 1100 Square feet, don't want two story. Would not impede roadway and not closer to the lake (Plans included in the agenda packet)

5. Letters received/ and or phone call comments read into record

- None

6. Those in support may comment

Mrs. Krings (Wife of Daniel Krings)- We have changed home plan because disability/accessibility- had to leave profession because of medical reasons. We look forward to moving here. Been here for 13 years. Family is moving here.

7. Those opposed may comment

- None

8. Comments from those who wish to provide additional information

Frederica Musgrave (30 W Shagawa Rd)- Staff analysis not be anonymous. It come sooner than the day of the meeting. Input on finding of facts after the finding of facts.

Accessibility- Review for comp plan on accessibility. Pages 59, 60 and 27 in the land use and comprehensive plan. Including climate change on comp plan.

Please look at those items.

9. Applicant will have the opportunity to answer additional questions

10. Closure of the hearing at 5:49 PM

11. Reading of the Finding of Facts

Planning and Zoning Administrator read the finding of the facts (included in the agenda packet). **Planning and Zoning Administrator recommends approval of the variance.**

12. Decision rendered by the Planning Commission

Riley- There were no photos of the backyard

Krings- The property line is too close, and there is ledge rock (aerial photos shown)

Boulders in the front- Front yard rock as well. The post will be anchored to it in front-

Original building of the house from 1943-1944

The Main structure of house is stacked rock. Crawl space basement

Prioreschi- Even with the addition, will still be well back off the road

Motion by Hernesmaa to approve the variance as requested, Second White – Motion carried unanimously with no objections.

13. Adjournment at 6:01 PM

**Planning and Zoning Commission
Minutes for Wednesday, May 15th, 2024**

1. **Planning and Zoning Called to Order at 6:08 PM by Chair Roose**
2. Roll call: **Prioreschi, Anderson, Hernesmaa, Riley, White, Roose.** *Staff Kochendorfer. Council Campbell. Excused: Palcher*
3. (2-5) Approval of Minutes from April 17th, 2024.

Motion Riley/ Second Anderson – motion carried unanimously

4. Additions or Deletions from Agenda
5. Requests to Appear

Frederica Musgrave- 30 w Shagawa Rd - Comp plan, and notes. Research on her website. Seems that the plan is all about human entertainment versus the environment. Asked to consider wildlife habitat, and many have moved here to enjoy it. Climate change not mentioned, dogs, or birds not mentioned. Page 59 in comp plan, natural infrastructure goals- promote economic. Page 60 of the plan. Page 27 in plan, land use- commission should consider adopting goals and objectives to protect open space and the environment. Accessibility not in plan. Diverse population and interests.

6. Reports

- a. Planning and Zoning Administrator

Kochendorfer- No change in short term rentals. There is a waiting list in the residential zone since that is capped at 25. Busy in the PZ Office with variances, CUP's, and subdivision questions. Working on the dumpster enclosure ordinance, as well as a subdivision and platting application.

- b. Projects Committee

Roose- Depot project, subdivision for voyager north outfitting.

- c. Council – Campbell

Campbell- Minutes in packet, Chair Roose was appointed to sanitation committee as a representative to Planning and Zoning.

7. New Business

- a. Meeting Date Change for June

Motion Riley/ Second Pioreschi to move the June Planning and Zoning meeting to June 12th at 5:30 PM due to June 19th being a holiday. Motion carried unanimously.

- b. Platting/Subdivisions

Kochendorfer- Looking at changing up the ordinance to allow for the planning and zoning administrator to approve or deny the subdivisions.

Chair Roose- draft up language and bring back to the commission

- c. Old Business:

- a. Removal of “land stability requirement in Chapter 11.41

Recommendation of City Attorney to remove from ordinance, or clarify the language. Current language is confusing and doesn't outline the procedure well.

Riley- What is Doug's impression? Kochendorfer will follow up with the building official.

Roose- Draft up change and go from there

Anderson- what happens in other mine towns

Hernesmaa- underground, are air shafts documented

White- Believe they are documented,

Kochendorfer can check with the state

- b. Update City Comprehensive Plan from 2016

Roose- Recap- don't want spot zoning. Encourage others to look at comp plan. Working with surrounding communities, places that use resources in Ely, consider wildlife and accessibility.

Discussion:

Page 21- Goals – Promote development – keeping with the removal

Objective: Encourage New

Riley- Allowing RT in the zone was good.

Prohibit extension of city services without being annexed in

Roose- more housing

Start June with additional paragraphs.

Recap of Goals and objectives with the comprehensive plan:

- Work with Communities surrounding Ely to bring economic activity to Ely and surrounding areas
- Maintain Education
- It is ok to ask support of surrounding communities that use Ely services
- Wildlife and greenspace in the Ely City limit

(a complete list of the proposed changes will be included in the June meeting agenda)

8. Adjournment 6:53 PM

May 22, 2024
City Council Chambers
Ely, Minnesota
Ely Utilities Commission

President Warren Nikkola called the regular meeting of the Ely Utilities Commission to order at 5:30 pm.

Present: Commissioners Mauro Caruso, Tony Colarich, Warren Nikkola, Larry Polyner, Rob Wilmunen (5)

Absent:

Also Present: Clerk-Treasurer Harold Langowski, Council Ad Hoc Member Albert Forsman

Consideration of Business:

A. Minutes of the Regular Meeting – April 24th, 2024

Motion by Colarich, supported by Wilmunen, to approve minutes of the regular meeting on April 24, 2024 without reading. Minutes to stand as recorded. Carried unanimously.

Additions or Deletions to Agenda:

Special Appearances: Dave Berg, P.E. – Electric Rate Study – Matter of Information

Dave Berg, consultant from the Twin Cities with 40 years' experience, presented his preliminary results of the rate study.

Committee Reports:

A. Projects Committee Meeting – May 13, 2024 – Matter of Information

Discussion on the new street lighting on Sheridan from 8th to 13th Ave. Lights will be removed and replaced with dark sky compliant fixtures. LED cobra heads at the intersections.

Department Reports:

A. Department Head Meetings – April 30, May 7, 2024 – Matter of Information

B. Electrical Outages/Water-Sewer Issues – Matter of Information

C. PSN Report – Matter of Information

Unfinished Business:

A. DBP (Disinfection Byproduct) – Compliance Schedule – Matter of Information

Schedule for the improvements part of the compliance. The plans were submitted to the Department of Health for revision, we should be in compliance and within the standards, out of violation.

Communications:

A. EUC Consent Agenda – April 24, 2024 – Matter of Information

B. MN Dept. Of Health – Nitrate Report – Matter of Information

C. MN Dept. Of Health – Drinking Water Monitoring – Matter of Information

D. MMUA – Capitol Letter – Matter of Information

E. MMUA – Summer Conference – August 19-21, 2024 Fargo ND

Motion by Wilmunen, Supported by Polyner, to approve attendance to the MMUA Summer Conference in Fargo, ND, August 19-21, 2024, if any commissioners would like to attend. Carried Unanimously. Harold stated he plans on attending.

F. Minnesota Pollution Control Agency Compliance – Waste Water Treatment Facility/Water Treatment Plant – Matter of Information

Items have already been worked through and straightened out by the operators.

G. Burntside Ridge Trail Association – Matter of Information

City will assist with grading and snow plowing the road to the pump house when time allows.

H. Leak Detection – Water Conservation Services, Inc. - Matter of Information

Langowski stated that letters will be sent to residents with confirmed service leaks, with notification that the leaks will need to be repaired asap or the city will do it and charge the customer. There was also discussion on the west end Sheridan/Chapman Street water leaking. Cannot find where it is coming from, may just be ground water.

Clerk-Treasurer Report:

A. MMUA Board Nomination

Harold Langowski was nominated by Grand Rapids and also requested by the Executive Director to serve on the MMUA Board of Directors. There would be 3-4 meetings per year plus the MMUA Annual Conference.

Motion by Wilmunen, supported by Caruso, to approve Harold’s nomination to the MMUA Board of Directors. Carried unanimously.

New Business:

A. Water Treatment Plant – Consumer Confidence Report – Matter of Information

The city is required to published the report. **Motion by Colarich, supported by Polyner, to publish the Drinking Water Consumer Confidence Report in the Ely Echo and the City of Ely website. Carried unanimously.**

B. Waste Water Treatment Facility – Mercury Project – PPE 17 - \$77,864.16

Colarich asked about the status of the roof repair. Langowski stated he found it to be good, not leaking.

Motion by Colarich, supported by Wilmunen, to approve \$77,864.16 payment to Rice Lake Construction Group for PPE 17at the Waste Water Treatment Facility. Carried unanimously.

C. Phase 1 Archeological Study – Intake Structure - \$4,832.98 – Matter of Information

The Federal government requires an environmental review process on areas that have never been disturbed.

The new pump house area has never been excavated; a review is required. **Motion by Polyner, supported by Colarich, to approve \$4,832.98 payment to Duluth Archeology Center, LLC for phase one of the archeological review of the new pump house area. Carried unanimously.**

D. Water Intake Environmental Review Public Hearing – June 18, 2024 -Matter of Information

E. WESCO – Decorative Light Poles - \$43,080.00

Existing concrete bases will be used with new anchor bolts and epoxy. Ground boxes will be put in where poles are eliminated. The fixtures are a separate purchase. **Motion by Wilmunen, supported by Colarich, to approve \$43,080.00 payment to WESCO for the purchase of decorative light poles. Carried unanimously.**

F. VCC Lighting Rebate - \$1,138.48

Motion by Colarich, supported by Polyner, to approve \$1,138.48 lighting rebate to MN North College, VCC Campus. Carried unanimously.

Presentation of Bills:

A. Minnesota Power April Invoice - \$203,365.51 – Matter of information.

B. EUC April Bills - \$404,414.90

Motion by Colarich, supported by Wilmunen, to approve \$404,414.90 payment of EUC April bills. Carried unanimously.

C. Mick Shusta – March and April - \$1,000.00

Motion by Wilmunen, supported by Caruso, to approve \$1,000.00 payment to Mick Shusta for A Operator Services. Carried unanimously.

Financial Reports:

A. April Revenue Report – Matter of information

B. January/February/March – Financial Report

Nikkola asked how the audit was coming along. Langowski updated that the field work is done and the auditors are working on it. He also noted that the auditors said they enjoy coming to Ely and that the group is easy to work with.

Adjournment:

Meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm, without objection.

Submitted: Kim Koivisto, Billing Clerk

Ely 2023 Drinking Water Report

Making Safe Drinking Water

Your drinking water comes from a surface water source: surface water drawn from Burntside Lake.

Ely works hard to provide you with safe and reliable drinking water that meets federal and state water quality requirements. The purpose of this report is to provide you with information on your drinking water and how to protect our precious water resources.

Contact Harold R. Langowski, Clerk-Treasurer, at (218) 235-3083 or elyod@ely.mn.us if you have questions about Ely's drinking water. You can also ask for information about how you can take part in decisions that may affect water quality.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency sets safe drinking water standards. These standards limit the amounts of specific contaminants allowed in drinking water. This ensures that tap water is safe to drink for most people. The U.S. Food and Drug Administration regulates the amount of certain contaminants in bottled water. Bottled water must provide the same public health protection as public tap water.

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Ely Monitoring Results

This report contains our monitoring results from January 1 to December 31, 2023.

We work with the Minnesota Department of Health to test drinking water for more than 100 contaminants. It is not unusual to detect contaminants in small amounts. No water supply is ever completely free of contaminants. Drinking water standards protect Minnesotans from substances that may be harmful to their health.

Learn more by visiting the Minnesota Department of Health's webpage [Basics of Monitoring and testing of Drinking Water in Minnesota](https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/environment/water/factsheet/sampling.html) (<https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/environment/water/factsheet/sampling.html>).

How to Read the Water Quality Data Tables

The tables below show the contaminants we found last year or the most recent time we sampled for that contaminant. They also show the levels of those contaminants and the Environmental Protection Agency's limits. Substances that we tested for but did not find are not included in the tables.

We sample for some contaminants less than once a year because their levels in water are not expected to change from year to year. If we found any of these contaminants the last time we sampled for them, we included them in the tables below with the detection date.

We may have done additional monitoring for contaminants that are not included in the Safe Drinking Water Act. To request a copy of these results, call the Minnesota Department of Health at 651-201-4700 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Some contaminants are monitored regularly throughout the year, and rolling (or moving) annual averages are used to manage compliance. Because of this averaging, there are times where the Range of Detected Test Results for the calendar year is lower than the Highest Average or Highest Single Test Result, because it occurred in the previous calendar year.

Definitions

- **AL (Action Level):** The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, triggers treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.
- **EPA:** Environmental Protection Agency
- **MCL (Maximum contaminant level):** The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.
- **MCLG (Maximum contaminant level goal):** The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.
- **MRDL (Maximum residual disinfectant level):** The highest level of a disinfectant allowed in drinking water. There is convincing evidence that addition of a disinfectant is necessary for control of microbial contaminants.
- **MRDLG (Maximum residual disinfectant level goal):** The level of a drinking water disinfectant below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MRDLGs do not reflect the benefits of the use of disinfectants to control microbial contaminants.
- **N/A (Not applicable):** Does not apply.
- **NTU (Nephelometric Turbidity Units):** A measure of the cloudiness of the water (turbidity).
- **ppt (parts per trillion):** One part per trillion is like one drop in one trillion drops of water, or about one drop in an Olympic sized swimming pool. ppt is the same as nanograms per liter (ng/l).
- **ppb (parts per billion):** One part per billion in water is like one drop in one billion drops of water, or about one drop in a swimming pool. ppb is the same as micrograms per liter ($\mu\text{g/l}$).
- **ppm (parts per million):** One part per million is like one drop in one million drops of water, or about one cup in a swimming pool. ppm is the same as milligrams per liter (mg/l).
- **PWSID:** Public water system identification.
- **TT (Treatment Technique):** A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.

Monitoring Results – Regulated Substances

LEAD AND COPPER – Tested at customer taps.

Contaminant (Date, if sampled in previous year)	EPA's Ideal Goal (MCLG)	EPA's Action Level	90% of Results Were Less Than	Number of Homes with High Levels	Violation	Typical Sources
Lead (11/15/23)	0 ppb	90% of homes less than 15 ppb	3.42 ppb	1 out of 41	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing.
Copper (11/15/23)	0 ppm	90% of homes less than 1.3 ppm	0.12 ppm	0 out of 41	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing.
Lead (06/01/23)	0 ppb	90% of homes less than 15 ppb	3.95 ppb	0 out of 40	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing.
Copper (06/01/23)	0 ppm	90% of homes less than 1.3 ppm	0.12 ppm	0 out of 40	NO	Corrosion of household plumbing.

INORGANIC & ORGANIC CONTAMINANTS – Tested in drinking water.

Contaminant (Date, if sampled in previous year)	EPA's Ideal Goal (MCLG)	EPA's Limit (MCL)	Highest Average or Highest Single Test Result	Range of Detected Test Results	Violation	Typical Sources
Nitrate	10 ppm	10.4 ppm	0.07 ppm	N/A	NO	Runoff from fertilizer use; Leaching from septic tanks, sewage; Erosion of natural deposits.

Potential Health Effects and Corrective Actions (If Applicable)

NOTE TO WATER SYSTEM: Add the following language somewhere in your final CCR: In addition to testing drinking water for contaminants regulated under the Safe Drinking Water Act, we sometimes also monitor for contaminants that are not regulated. Unregulated

contaminants do not have legal limits for drinking water. In the past year, your drinking water was tested for unregulated contaminants as part of the Fifth Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule (<https://www.epa.gov/dwucmr/fifth-unregulated-contaminant-monitoring-rule>). The Unregulated Contaminant Monitoring Rule 5 (UCMR 5) Data finder allows people to easily search for, summarize, and download the available UCMR 5 analytical results (<https://www.epa.gov/dwucmr/fifth-unregulated-contaminant-monitoring-rule-data-finder>).

Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA): We routinely monitor for the presence of drinking water contaminants. Due to an exceedance on 05/17/2023, we are taking active measures to reduce the annual average HAA5 level below the maximum contaminant level (MCL) of 60.4 ug/L. Until the planned completion of these measures, the level of HAA5 in your water may exceed the recommended level. Based on the results of samples collected on February 13, 2024, the current annual average is 58.0 ug/L. HAAs are formed when naturally occurring organic matter combines with disinfectants added to kill microorganisms. They are by-products of drinking water disinfection. This is not an emergency. You do not need an alternative source of water, such as bottled water. However, if you have specific health concerns, consult your doctor. The use of carbon filters is not recommended for removal of HAAs, as they may accumulate in the filter over time. We are considering methods to reduce the levels of HAAs, which may include an alternative water source or water treatment. You will be informed when we have reduced the levels and meets the standards. Please share this information with all other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, hospitals, schools, prisons, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

CONTAMINANTS RELATED TO DISINFECTION – Tested in drinking water.

Substance (Date, if sampled in previous year)	EPA's Ideal Goal (MCLG or MRDLG)	EPA's Limit (MCL or MRDL)	Highest Average or Highest Single Test Result	Range of Detected Test Results	Violation	Typical Sources
Total Chlorine	4.0 ppm	4.0 ppm	1.64 ppm	1.33 - 1.77 ppm	NO	Water additive used to control microbes.
Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA)	N/A	60 ppb	63.1 ppb	52.80 - 63.30 ppb	YES	By-product of drinking water disinfection.
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs)	N/A	80 ppb	68.3 ppb	56.60 - 85.20 ppb	NO	By-product of drinking water disinfection.

Total HAA refers to HAA5

Potential Health Effects and Corrective Actions (If Applicable)

Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA): Some people who drink water containing haloacetic acids in excess of the MCL over many years may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs): During the year our system had a TTHM result that was greater than the MCL. Since there is variability in sampling results, and this is not an acute contaminant, four quarterly sample results are used to determine compliance for this contaminant. TTHMs will continue to be monitored quarterly on our system into 2024.

Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs): Some people who drink water containing trihalomethanes in excess of the MCL over many years may experience problems with their liver, kidneys, or central nervous systems, and may have an increased risk of getting cancer.

OTHER SUBSTANCES – Tested in drinking water.						
Substance (Date, if sampled in previous year)	EPA’s Ideal Goal (MCLG)	EPA’s Limit (MCL)	Highest Average or Highest Single Test Result	Range of Detected Test Results	Violation	Typical Sources
Fluoride	4.0 ppm	4.0 ppm	0.73 ppm	0.70 - 0.75 ppm	NO	Erosion of natural deposits; Water additive to promote strong teeth.

Potential Health Effects and Corrective Actions (If Applicable)

Fluoride: Fluoride is nature's cavity fighter, with small amounts present naturally in many drinking water sources. There is an overwhelming weight of credible, peer-reviewed, scientific evidence that fluoridation reduces tooth decay and cavities in children and adults, even when there is availability of fluoride from other sources, such as fluoride toothpaste and mouth rinses. Since studies show that optimal fluoride levels in drinking water benefit public health, municipal community water systems adjust the level of fluoride in the water to an optimal concentration between 0.5 to 0.9 parts per million (ppm) to protect your teeth. Fluoride levels below 2.0 ppm are not expected to increase the risk of a cosmetic condition known as enamel fluorosis.

TREATMENT INDICATOR – Tested during treatment.

Substance	Removal Required	Lowest Monthly Percent of Results in Compliance	Highest Test Result	Violation	Typical Sources
Turbidity	Treatment Technique	100	0.21	NO	Soil runoff.

DISINFECTION BYPRODUCT INDICATOR – Tested in source water and in drinking water.

Substance	Removal Required	Range of Percent Removal Achieved	Average of Percent Removal Achieved	Violation	Typical Sources
Total Organic Carbon	Variable	0 - 37	25	NO	N/A

The percentage of Total Organic Carbon (TOC) removal was measured each month. The system met all TOC removal requirements, unless there is a “YES” in the Violation column.

Some People Are More Vulnerable to Contaminants in Drinking Water

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. The developing fetus and therefore pregnant women may also be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water. These people or their caregivers should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. EPA/Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791.

Learn More about Your Drinking Water

Drinking Water Sources

Groundwater supplies 75 percent of Minnesota’s drinking water, and found in aquifers beneath the surface of the land. Surface water supplies 25 percent of Minnesota’s drinking water, and is the water in lakes, rivers, and streams above the surface of the land..

Contaminants can get in drinking water sources from the natural environment and from people’s daily activities. There are five main types of contaminants in drinking water sources.

- **Microbial contaminants**, such as viruses, bacteria, and parasites. Sources include sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, pets, and wildlife.
- **Inorganic contaminants** include salts and metals from natural sources (e.g. rock and soil), oil and gas production, mining and farming operations, urban stormwater runoff, and wastewater discharges.
- **Pesticides and herbicides** are chemicals used to reduce or kill unwanted plants and pests. Sources include agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and commercial and residential properties.
- **Organic chemical contaminants** include synthetic and volatile organic compounds. Sources include industrial processes and petroleum production, gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems.
- **Radioactive contaminants** such as radium, thorium, and uranium isotopes come from natural sources (e.g. radon gas from soils and rock), mining operations, and oil and gas production.

The Minnesota Department of Health provides information about your drinking water source(s) in a source water assessment, including:

- How Ely is protecting your drinking water source(s);
- Nearby threats to your drinking water sources;
- How easily water and pollution can move from the surface of the land into drinking water sources, based on natural geology and the way wells are constructed.

Find your source water assessment at [Source Water Assessments](https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/environment/water/swp/swa) (<https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/environment/water/swp/swa>) or call 651-201-4700 between 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Lead in Drinking Water

You may be in contact with lead through paint, water, dust, soil, food, hobbies, or your job. Coming in contact with lead can cause serious health problems for everyone. There is no safe level of lead. Babies, children under six years, and pregnant women are at the highest risk.

Lead is rarely in a drinking water source, but it can get in your drinking water as it passes through lead service lines and your household plumbing system. Ely is responsible for providing high quality drinking water, but it cannot control the plumbing materials used in private buildings.

Read below to learn how you can protect yourself from lead in drinking water.

1. **Let the water run** for 30-60 seconds before using it for drinking or cooking if the water has not been turned on in over six hours. If you have a lead service line, you may need to let the water run longer. A service line is the underground pipe that brings water from the main water pipe under the street to your home.
 - You can find out if you have a lead service line by contacting your public water system, or you can check by following the steps at: <https://www.mprnews.org/story/2016/06/24/npr-find-lead-pipes-in-your-home>
 - The only way to know if lead has been reduced by letting it run is to check with a test. If letting the water run does not reduce lead, consider other options to reduce your exposure.
2. **Use cold water** for drinking, making food, and making baby formula. Hot water releases more lead from pipes than cold water.

3. **Test your water.** In most cases, letting the water run and using cold water for drinking and cooking should keep lead levels low in your drinking water. If you are still concerned about lead, arrange with a laboratory to test your tap water. Testing your water is important if young children or pregnant women drink your tap water.
 - Contact a Minnesota Department of Health accredited laboratory to get a sample container and instructions on how to submit a sample:
Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program
 (<https://eldo.web.health.state.mn.us/public/accreditedlabs/labsearch.seam>)
 The Minnesota Department of Health can help you understand your test results.
4. **Treat your water** if a test shows your water has high levels of lead after you let the water run.
 - Read about water treatment units:
Point-of-Use Water Treatment Units for Lead Reduction
 (<https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/environment/water/factsheet/poulead.html>)

Learn more:

- Visit Lead in Drinking Water (<https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/environment/water/contaminants/lead.html>)
- Visit Basic Information about Lead in Drinking Water (<http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>)
- Call the EPA Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791. To learn about how to reduce your contact with lead from sources other than your drinking water, visit Lead Poisoning Prevention: Common Sources (<https://www.health.state.mn.us/communities/environment/lead/sources.html>).

Water systems have ongoing infrastructure, operations and maintenance costs in supplying safe drinking water, and many are implementing additional efforts to help insure health equity and manageable water bills with:

- Turn the faucet off while brushing teeth.
- Shower instead of bathing to reduce water use.
- Fix running toilets by replacing flapper valves.
- Run full loads of laundry and use a minimal water use setting.

- Our water system partners with others to help consumers with limited resources make payments to their water bills.
- Contact us to learn more.

May 23rd , 2024 Telecommunications Advisory Board Meeting

Ely City Hall, Mayor's Conference Room

Present: Jerome Debeltz, Harold Langowski, Sean Clark, Scott Meland, Irene Hartfield

Also Present: Todd Crego, Mauro Caruso, Eva Sebesta, Ely Chamber, Kristin Switajewski, Ely Chamber

Meeting called to order at 4:02 by IH

Motion SM support SC to approve minutes from the April 25th, 2024 meeting. Passed unanimously

Additions/Omissions: None

Communications:

- A. Todd provided an update of current programming and activity. Todd continues to add content and work with additional groups. A detailed list was provided. Included was the school concerts, grand march, P and Z meeting and BOA. New PSA's have also been added. Additional programming being planned is graduation, Memorial Day program, Irene's Concert in Tower, Ely sports, and library programs.
- B. CTC Internet and Voice Sales – The monthly lease payments average around \$640; there was no change since last report.

Old Business:

- A. Significant discussion occurred considering the addition of CTC fiber in the park for the webcams and potential WIFI for festival vendors. Currently the Whiteside camera is down due to the internet connection we use not be operational. Mauro provided a map showing wifi coverage in the park with the installation of two points. The latest estimate for the equipment to provide the secure wifi network is \$16,281. The service charge from CTC is dependent on the speed requested. To run the cameras, we only need 100 MB at a price of \$100/month, during the busy months of the summer when the festivals would require it for the vendors use it would be 1GB for a monthly cost of \$400. All installation costs would be paid by CTC. We anticipate the higher speed would be for four months in the summer. The proposal would be for the vendors to be charged a flat fee for each event as part of their registration for WIFI. It would need to be added to their spot rent fee and be paid by all participants. At registration they would be given the password. The chamber spoke about how this year they are unable to add this onto the current booth rents but could for the 2025 events. The Chamber could pay the additional internet speed needed for the two events in 2024. This would be \$400x 2= \$800. We would need to determine how much this fee would need to be. With the cost of the installation exceeding the capacity of TAB and our current fund balance being required to sustain the broadcasting equipment as well the fees would need to pay back the investment. Between the two largest festivals there are 380 vendors. At \$10 per vendor it would be \$3,800 at \$20 it would be \$7,600. We have spoke to Farmers Market and they also are interested in the availability. With Farmer's Market using the park every Tuesday throughout the summer we would need to look at a different fee for those vendors based on a monthly or seasonal fee. The intent is to recover the cost of the investment and allow for future expansion of technology n the parks. We will be meeting with CTC again to look at the installation locations and discuss timing. **Motion SM support SC to recommend the Council authorize to proceed with CTC on the installation of fiber and the purchase of equipment not to exceed \$20,000 if an agreement can be**

finalized concerning the use of WIFI with the festival organizers. Passed unanimously.

New Business:

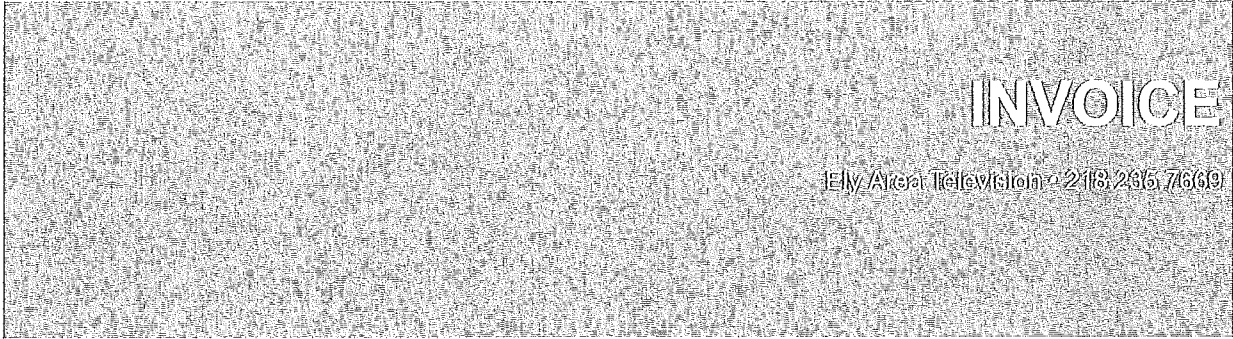
- A. Todd provided an invoice for additional filming completed in April for a total of 8 hours @ \$25/hr= \$200. **Motion SC support SM to pay Ely Area Television \$200.00 for the additional filming in May. Passed unanimously.**

- B. MIDCO has notified the City that the free cable services that have been provided to City buildings in the past are no longer required per FCC 621 order. This allows the cost of these services to be deducted from the franchise payment. This would be the cable box located at City Hall, the Joint Garage, Ely TV and the School. They calculated that the value of these locations is \$452.32. To continue these services, we will need to pay for them. This would be in addition to the \$120/ month we are paying for internet at the Rec Center. We are investigating if we need to keep a cable box for Ely TV. To keep cable at City Hall will be \$175.06 per month. We will discontinue cable at the garage and we believe the service at the School was never used.

**Meeting adjourned at 5:02 pm. No objections.
Minutes submitted by Clerk Langowski**



Ely Area Television



INVOICE

Ely Area Television • 216.236.7669

May 23, 2024

Invoice No. 061415

DESCRIPTION OF WORK	QTY/hr	UNIT PRICE	SUB TOTAL
Planning and Zoning - 1 Hr	8	\$25	\$200.00
Board of Adjustments - 1 Hr			
Grand March - 1 Hr			
Arbor Day Event - 1 Hr			
High School Spring Concert - 2 Hr			
Elementary Concert- 2 Hr			

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Employee Relations Committee

Thursday, May 23rd, 2024

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 5:05pm by Omerza.

People in attendance: Heidi Omerza, Jerome Debeltz, Warren Nikkola, Harold Langowski, Ryan Callen, Dave Marshall, Jason Roy

Absent:

ADDITIONS OR OMISSIONS: None

JD/RC moved to approve minutes from the Employee Relations meeting on April 25th, 2024. Motion Carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

A. The loss control representative was in Ely to review the last year. There were no significant issues to review.

OLD BUSINESS

A. The Building Engineer job description was provided for review. This position has not been reviewed or the job description revised for some time. The format was revised to our current and the job duties currently completed by the position were added. **Motion WN support RC to recommend the job description of Building Engineer be approved by the council and the position posted internally per the employment contract. Passed unanimously.**

B. We received three internal applicants for the posted position of Public Works Forman. The committee discussed timing of interviews and make up of the interview committee. The hiring committee would be the Council and EUC representative on ER plus the Clerk-Treasurer. **Motion WN support RC to recommend the City Council authorize the ER Committee to interview the three internal candidates for the position of Public Works Foreman. Passed unanimously.**

C. The Handbook is being reviewed for updating.

ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 5:18pm

Submitted by Harold Langowski

JOB DESCRIPTION BUILDING ENGINEER

I. IDENTIFYING INFORMATION		
POSITION TITLE: Building Engineer	DEPARTMENT: Public Works	WORK STATUS: Full-time
SUPERVISOR: Clerk-Treasurer	OFFICE LOCATION: Varies	WORK HOURS: Per Supervisor
	FLSA STATUS: NON-EXEMPT	PAY: Collective Bargaining Unit
	PELRA STATUS: Non-Supervisory	
II. ORGANIZATIONAL RELATIONSHIPS		
<p>Reports to: Clerk-Treasurer</p> <p>Coordinates work with: Other Division Heads</p> <p>Works Closely With: City Council, Tenants of buildings maintained by department</p> <p>Communicates with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ <i>Internally</i> - Other Department employees, city hall staff, and other city employees ➤ <i>Externally</i> - Other supervisors; relevant county & state agency staff; contractors & repair services, vendors/suppliers; city residents, and building tenants <p>Supervises: Custodial Worker and seasonal employees</p>		
III. DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY		
<p>This position has the authority to independently perform the daily and other regular duties/tasks solely related to assigned division. The position has authority to make purchase and repair decisions with appropriate prior approval or notifications. In urgent or emergency situations the employee may make necessary decisions based on circumstances and informs supervisor of actions(s) taken as soon as possible. The incumbent has authority to direct the work of others for tasks related to areas of accountability. Supervisory responsibilities do not include decision-making authority for hiring, promoting, and firing although employee provides input on performance issues and concerns.</p>		
IV. PURPOSE		
<p>Serves as a working supervisor with direct responsibility for the daily maintenance of the City's buildings and grounds including Parks. Performs specialized, technical and manual/production work for assigned division. Under the oversight of the Clerk-Treasurer this position is accountable for the safe and efficient operation of City's buildings and other facilities when contracted by the city. Also assists with other public works activities and utility issues, as needed.</p>		
V. ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS		
<p><i>This section states the position's major areas of accountability, priorities/key responsibilities, and recurring duties. All are essential. The list of recurring duties is not exhaustive. All duties and tasks that can be logically inferred are not specified. Other accountabilities, responsibilities, as well as particular duties and tasks, may be assigned.</i></p>		
<p>Major Areas of Accountability</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ BUILDING MAINTENANCE ➤ EQUIPMENT MAINTENANCE 	<p>Priorities/Key Responsibilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Seasonal Maintenance/Repair Work & Capital Projects/Supplies & Inventory/ Recordkeeping/ Contractor Oversight/Work Direction ➤ Inspections/Preventative Maintenance & Repair/Supplies & Inventory/ Recordkeeping/ Replacement Planning/Work Direction ➤ Staff Meetings/Safety Training/ Emergency Response/Emergency Building Repairs. ➤ Performs minor plumbing and structural repairs ➤ Paints city facilities – Including proper preparation ➤ Maintains heating, ventilation, and air conditioning systems ➤ Maintains building equipment such as electrical motors, fans, air compressors, exhaust fans, water heaters ➤ Cleans Assigned buildings by sweeping, mopping, dusting, vacuuming, washing ceilings, walls, and windows, buffing floors, and emptying trash 	

BUILDING ENGINEER

- Inspects buildings for required maintenance and performs routine maintenance such as light bulb changes and lock and door repair
- Maintains ground; mows and trims, rakes, removes snow, collects trash, and repairs damaged areas
- Inventories and order supplies and equipment
- Supervises, trains, schedules, and directs custodial workers
- Supervises and assists in setting up city buildings for rental use
- On call 24-7 during the heating season

V. ESSENTIAL FUNCTIONS (cont.)

1. Technical Leadership/First-level Supervision

- Daily coordinates and controls the systems, processes, and activities for assigned division in compliance with state and federal laws/rules/regulations and according to City and department policies; carries out the preparation and maintenance of complete and accurate records; and ensures required reports are completed and submitted to appropriate agency.
- Regularly informs the Clerk -Treasurer about the division's operations and activities.
- Provides work direction to division staff, inspects work results for standards met, and notes deficiencies; ensures employees receive appropriate guidance and training; and discusses any supervisory issues with relevant manager.
- Participates in all supervisory functions: serves as one level of rater for subordinates' performance reviews, makes and carries out work schedules, conducts preliminary review employees' time-off requests. Provides input for disciplinary issues including reporting and documenting incidents.
- Provides input, as requested, to the Clerk-Treasurer for department's operating and capital budgets and keeps supervisors informed of any significant issues. Assists Clerk-Treasurer with selection process for bid requests and RFPs related to assigned division through research and specifications development.
- Interacts with contractors/consultants and-as directed by supervisor-checks progress, guides work, and reviews results; and provides local knowledge and technical expertise during construction projects.
- Responds to related concerns & issues from business owners and residents.

2. Maintenance of Buildings and Grounds

- Conducts or oversees daily inspections to diagnose problems and perform troubleshooting; prioritizes and schedules work; and keeps Supervisor updated on issues
- Plans, oversees, and participates in seasonal maintenance work including snow shoveling and removal, and ice control. Maintains grounds at city buildings including raking, mowing, and weed control. Maintains city utility buildings including the WWTF and WTP
- City Hall Generator maintenance: monthly testing Annually: change oil, oil filter, check coolant and load test. Perform all testing and maintenance as recommended or required.
- Monthly Office of Veterans Affairs (VA) emergency and exit light test, fire extinguisher testing and log results.
- Annual 90 minutes emergency and exit light test (power off)
- Monthly fire extinguishers in all city buildings and keep a log, yearly fire suppression system inspection and maintenance
- Assists with maintenance and operation of outdoor skating rink including snow removal, ice preparation and facility maintenance
- Maintains Park and recreation facilities including Semers Park, Whiteside Park, Rec Center, Miners Dry and Trailhead.

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3. New Construction & Reconstructions

- Plans, oversees, and participates in minor construction projects including building repair and renovation.
- Plans-in conjunction with Supervisor, consulting engineer, and others-major construction projects and oversees contractors' work.
- Keeps complete and accurate records of time, materials, and other resources used.
- Assists Clerk-Treasurer in proper recording of as-builts

4. Other Activities

- Maintains knowledge base through self-directed and other training; maintains position's required licenses/certifications; and participates in department's safety program and training.
- Coordinates the maintenance and repair of division's tools, machines, and equipment through in-house efforts or the use of outside services. Proposes a schedule for equipment replacement.
- Participates in the establishment of related policies and procedures through research, writing, and making recommendations to Supervisor. Carries out approved policies and procedures.
- Participates in City Safety committee and assists in the development of safety plans and policies
- Oversees and provides training for staff in the proper operation of city equipment
- Oversees and manages the collection of trash and recycling in city parks, and city buildings
- During Heating season work weekends and holidays checking heat in heated City Buildings (Daily)

VI. OTHER DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- Transports supplies and trash from city buildings.
- Performs other related duties as assigned or apparent.

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VII. REQUIRED KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, and ABILITIES

This section lists the critical areas of knowledge, skills sets, and abilities.

Knowledge of;	Skill in;	Ability to;
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ relevant laws, rules and regulations on elevators and boiler operation ▪ relevant City and department policies and procedures ▪ Department's organizational structure and operations, programs and activities ▪ each major area of accountability ▪ Process control and improvement theory and practices ▪ project & construction management ▪ state & federal safety rules and regulations; safe work practices ▪ methods, practices, tools, and equipment, and materials used in building maintenance and repair ▪ Working knowledge of hydronic heating systems, HVAC equipment and air handlers, condensation boilers and operation and trouble shooting ▪ basic carpentry, plumbing and electricity ▪ Lawn, snow equipment and vehicle maintenance ▪ Office of Veterans Affairs (VA) guidelines and procedures ▪ 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ providing quality input to City decision makers ▪ effectively responding to urgent & emergency situations ▪ communicating, both verbally and in writing with clarity and understanding ▪ tactfully responding to customer service situations for assigned areas ▪ establishing and maintaining cooperative and productive relationships with coworkers ▪ providing work direction to fellow coworkers ▪ using information technologies to increase work productively ▪ efficiently using employer resources ▪ tracking time, materials, & other resources used ▪ Proficient in operating equipment utilized in building and grounds maintenance ▪ Cleaning boilers, burners, condensation boilers ▪ Testing exit lights, fire extinguishers, generators 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ continually improve personal knowledge base and keep current with best practices, new technologies, and industry trends ▪ work beyond normal works hours as well as evenings and weekends ▪ weekends and holidays during heating operating time ▪ cope with the mental stress of the position ▪ implement supervisor's commands and orders ▪ interpret and administer polices with consistency and uniformity ▪ relevant professional organizations and associations ▪ perform the essential physical requirements of the position ▪ Ability to regularly lift, carry and move objects of 50 pounds ▪ Read blue prints and interpret construction plans ▪ Comprehend and follow Material Safety Sheets and OSHA standards ▪ Work independently and supervise, and delegate work to custodial workers ▪ Use a variety of hand and power tools and equipment such as power drill, floor sander and buffer, lawn mower, and snow blower ▪ Change Oil, filters, belts, blades and other parts on equipment ▪ Pass a federal, state, and local background check to access VA & Police and Sheriff facilities

Machines, tools, and equipment regularly used: various power & hand tools, computer and peripherals, phone, other typical office equipment, personal protective clothing & equipment, and lawn care equipment, power washers, power painting equipment, truck with V-Plow

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VIII. MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS

An equivalent combination of education and experience, as determined by the City, may be considered during the hiring process

- High School diploma or equivalent.
- Five years of related experience
- At least one year of experience leading a crew.
- Valid MN driver's license
- Must meet all state-mandated and employer-required medical and other qualifications.
- Must pass state and federal background checks
- 2nd Class C Boiler's License for building and boiler operation

VIII. PREFERRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Greater experience at a lead worker or higher level
- Specific experience in construction management, building and boiler operation

XI. WORKING CONDITIONS

Time is spent in-and out-doors with regular exposure to temperature extremes. Potential exposure to sanitary sewer. Uses fine and large motor skills. Can exert light to moderate to considerable physical effort that includes lifting, pushing, and pulling. Engages in a variety of repetitive movements such as bending/stooping, crouching/kneeling, and twisting/turning. Works in confined spaces. Works at heights up to 40 feet. can use all types of vision and senses depending on the task. Can work outside normal hours including evenings and weekends. Is subject to a response time or reasonable area requirement of 30 minutes.

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X. EMPLOYEE ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I have reviewed a copy of the Building Engineer job description and understand it covers the City's expectations for my work. I also understand this document replaces any previous job description(s) and acknowledge management's exclusive right to make any changes to it. I agree this job description is a complete and accurate representation of the work I perform.

Employee's Signature: _____

Date: _____

XI. NON-DISCRIMINATION STATEMENT

The City of Ely seeks to administer its employment practices in a manner that promotes fairness and is free of illegal discrimination. No individual, within the context of their employment or application for employment with the City, shall be discriminated against or subjected to harassment on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, age, disability, marital status, sexual orientation, veteran status, public assistance status, or membership on a local commission. And, no individual who is protected by applicable Federal and State laws, rules, or regulations against discrimination shall otherwise be subjected to illegal discrimination.

<<<For more information, please contact the Clerk-Treasurer>>>

XII. REASONABLE ACCOMMODATION STATEMENT

The City of Ely is committed to promoting equal opportunity for all of its employees and applicants for employment. The City affirmatively acknowledges its obligation to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Minnesota Human Rights Act (MHRA). Every reasonable effort will be made to provide an accessible work place and offer other accommodations to qualified individuals. Reasonable accommodation will be explored and determined on a case-by-case basis, generally after the individual concerned initiates a dialogue.

<<<For more information, please contact the Clerk-Treasurer>>>

CHANGE HISTORY

ADOPTED	NEXT REVIEW	REVISED
Date: _____	Date: _____	Date: _____
	Date: _____	Date: _____
	Date: _____	Date: _____

Range Association of Municipalities & Schools
Board Meeting Minutes
Thursday, April 25, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.

Northeast Service Cooperative Building

President Pat Medure called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Roll Call of Board:

Present: **Pat Medure (ISD 318-Grand Rapids); Barb Kalmi (ISD 319-Nashwauk/Keewatin); Glenn Anderson (City of Babbitt); Dale Adams (City of Grand Rapids); Bob Berrini (Morse Township); Ryan Davies (Harris Township); Jim Fisher (McDavitt Township); Gary Friedlieb (City of Virginia); Matt Grose (ISD 318 Grand Rapids); Shane Hoff (City of Silver Bay); Paul Kess (City of Ely); Chris Koivisto (ISD 2412 St Louis County Schools); Julie Lucas (French Township); Ron Pittman (Cherry Township); Cal Saari (City of Nashwauk); Warren Stolp (Nashwauk Township); John Tuorila (City of Calumet); Dr Rae Villebrun (ISD 319 Nashwauk/Keewatin Supt Assn); Jim Weikum (City of Biwabik)**

Absent: City of Aurora; ISD 2711 Mesabi East; Great Scott Township; Clinton Township; City of Hoyt Lakes

Also Present: **Paul Peltier, Executive Director; Kristen Kranz, RAMS Admin Assistant; Paul Brinkman (NESC); Jeff Anderson; Mike Mandich; Chris Johnson; Sandy Karnowski; Dirk Davis; Pete Hyduke; Rod Gruba; Sheila Gruba; Rep Igo; Sen Farnsworth**

(Persons highlighted were present in person; others were via Zoom.)

Call to Order:

President Medure called the meeting to order at 6pm.

Review and Approve Agenda:

A motion to amend the agenda to remove item 8A (Letter: Mesabi Metallics) and add item 9F (helium permitting) was made by Kalmi and supported by Adams. Motion carried.

Approve Meeting Minutes:

A motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from March 28, 2024, was made by Fisher and supported by Saari. Motion carried.

Finance Committee Report:

Kalmi reported on the Finance Committee Meeting held on April 25, 2024.

1. Expenditures for March 28 – April 24, 2024, totaling \$15,391.59.
2. Profit and Loss Budget vs Actual is at 39%.
3. Balance Sheet as of April 24, 2024, is \$ 447,305.86.

A motion to accept the financial reports was made by Fisher and supported by Stolp. Motion carried.

Appearance:

The Board was joined by Paul Brinkman from the Northeast Service Cooperative. NESC is one of 9 service co-ops in MN, and it serves schools, cities, counties, government agencies, and more. NESC's triad is education, technology, and health. They have also added behavioral mental health and career and technical education. NESC offers a menu of choices, tailored to fit your specific needs. Visit nescmn.net for more information.

Director's Report:

Executive Director Peltier gave an update on his activities in April. Peltier highlighted the Future of Hibbing meeting that he helped organize, testifying at the Capitol, and the Ranger Party.

New Business:

1. A motion to support Twin Metals' Amicus was made by Berrini and supported by Anderson. Motion carried.
2. Discussion was held on the Permitting Reform Panel. The next meeting will be on May 30, 2024, in Chisholm, MN
3. Discussion was held on the Mineral Article. Senator Farnsworth and Representative Igo were present and gave an update. Jeff Anderson also gave an update on bonding, EMS, taxes, education, helium, and LCCMR.
4. A motion to set the date and location of the 2024 Annual Dinner (December 19 @ ITMEC) was made by Kess and supported by Lucas. Motion carried.
5. A motion to approve a letter of support for the Energy and Permitting Reform Amendment was made by Anderson and supported by Friedlieb. Motion carried.
6. A motion to support temporary rulemaking of Helium and Hydrogen production was made by Kess and supported by Anderson. Motion carried.

Board Member Updates:

Tourila discussed the possible closure of the Hill Annex Mine State Park.

Other:

Member Floor Privileges:

Next Meeting:

The next RAMS Board Meeting will be held on May 23, 2024, at 6:30pm, at the Nashwauk City Hall. There will be a tour of Mesabi Metallica before the meeting.

Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 8:15

Clerk-Treasurer
MEMO:

To: City Council

From: Harold R. Langowski, P.E.

Date: 5/30/2024

Re: Pioneer Mine- Ore Car Donation

Nick Wognum President of the Ely Arts and Heritage Center has been contacted by CN Railroad concerning the donation of an old DM&IR ore car to the City of Ely for the Pioneer Mine historic site. We have discussed the project with the CN representative and Renee Beaumier PE with North Shore Track Services (from Ely) concerning the donation. It is our understanding that it will come at no charge. They will pay for the transportation, crane service, and track necessary to set it on. We would be responsible to have a location leveled for it to set. I have attached a map of the proposed location.

Harold

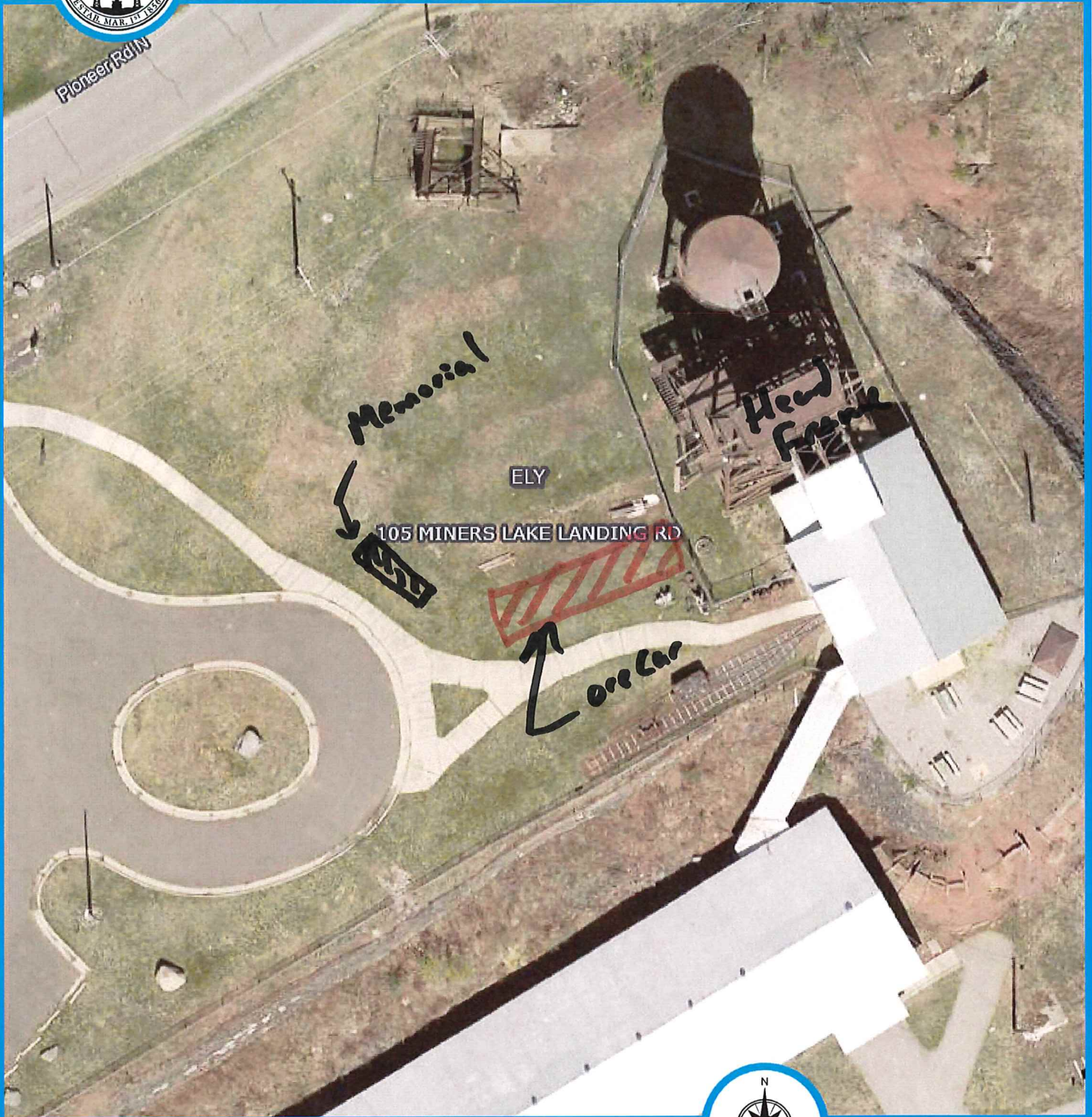


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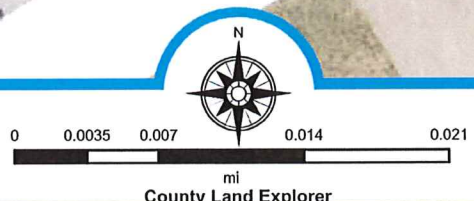
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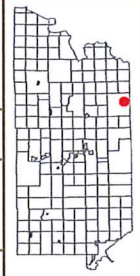
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Re: DMIR Ore Car

3 messages

Ely Echo <elyecho@aol.com>

Wed, May 8, 2024 at 2:56 PM

To: Renee <renee@northshoretrack.com>

Cc: "jeff.heller" <jeff.heller@northshoretrack.com>, Harold Langowski <elyod@ely.mn.us>

This sounds great! Thank you for your assistance in making this happen. Our board is very excited and looks forward to a magnificent addition to the Pioneer Mine National Register Historic Site.

Thanks!

Nick

Nick Wognum
Publisher
Ely Echo
15 E. Chapman St
Ely, MN 55731
218-365-3141

On Wednesday, May 8, 2024 at 02:50:15 PM CDT, Renee <renee@northshoretrack.com> wrote:

Nick

The President of my company, North Shore Track Services, was recently able to discuss the possibility of securing a decommissioned DMIR ore rail car from Canadian National railway for exhibit purposes for the Pioneer mine/museum in Ely with my ongoing persistence. CN has agreed to donate one decommissioned ore car to the Ely Arts Association for display purposes. In order to make such donation CN would need the name and contact person of the museum chairman to ensure the transaction is possible. Based on conversation with you I will provide your contact information.

North Shore Track Services, would be willing to construct the rail infrastructure on which to place the rail car. I haven't seen the rail car available yet but understand it would be a Jennie ore car which would require the construction of 50 to 60 feet of rail bed to roll the car into permanent position. We would ask that local forces construct the level area with aggregate base on which we can construct the railroad infrastructure.

North Shore Track Services is a fully insured railway maintenance of way contractor with over 30 years of experience and would love this opportunity to impact the region and of course my hometown.

I will provide CN Railway the following contact information:

Nick Wognum
Chair
Ely Arts and Heritage Center
email: elyecho@aol.com
Phone: 218-343-2019

Expect a response from Canadian National railway in the near future to confirm your acceptance of this donation on the museum's behalf. We are looking forward to this excellent opportunity.

I can be reached at 218-390-7391 on any immediate questions. Thank you for your prompt response and discussions.

Sincerely,

Renee Beaumier, PE/CSP
North Shore Track Services
710 S. 59th Avenue West
Duluth, MN 55807
218-390-7391

Sent from my iPhone

ORDINANCE NO. 377, 2nd Series

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ELY, MINNESOTA,
ADDING TO THE ELY CITY CODE, CHAPTER 20, SECTION 20.1.30, ENTITLED
ZONING MAP AMENDMENT**

THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ELY DOES HEREBY ORDAIN:

SECTION 1. A new Section shall be added to Chapter 20 as Section 20.1.30, of the Ely City Code to read as follows:

Section 20.1.30 Zoning Map Amendment. The zoning classification of parcels of land located in the City of Ely, County of St. Louis, State of Minnesota, which have the following legal descriptions:

Lot 4, Block 4, South Chandler Addition to Ely, St. Louis County, Minnesota

AND

That part of the SE1/4 of SE1/4 Section 28 Township 63 North Range 12 West of the Fourth Principal Meridian, described as follows: Assuming the East line of said SE1/4 of SE1/4 to bear North 00 degrees 12 minutes 30 seconds West and from the SE corner of said Section 28, run North 00 degrees 12 minutes 30 seconds West along said East line 807.00 feet, thence South 64 degrees 21 minutes 00 seconds West, 676.62 feet to the point of beginning. Thence North 26 degrees 29 minutes 19 seconds West, 41.37 feet; Thence South 70 degrees 13 minutes 33 seconds West, 735.64 feet to the West line of said SE1/4 of SE1/4; Thence South 00 degrees 13 minutes 15 seconds East, 129.18 feet along said West line; Thence North 64 degrees 21 minutes 00 seconds East, 787.84 feet to the point of beginning.

AND

A parcel of land lying in the SE1/4 of SE1/4 Section 28 Township 63 North Range 12 West of the Fourth Principal Meridian, described as follows:
Assuming the West boundary of said SE1/4 of SE1/4 to lie North and South, and from the SW corner of said SE1/4 of SE1/4 run due North along said West boundary a distance of 90 feet to the point of beginning; thence run North 74.1083 degrees East a distance of 152.13 feet; thence South 80.8917 degrees East a distance of 70.00 feet; thence North 51.5733 degrees East a distance of 235.59 feet; thence North 28.0303 degrees West a distance of 67.97 feet; thence South 64.5703 degrees West a distance of 407.55 feet to a point which lies on said West boundary; thence due South along said West boundary a distance of 62.00 feet back to the point of beginning. Said parcel contains 0.91 acres, more or less.

are hereby changed from the current zoned classification of Industrial (M) to Commercial 1 (C1)

SECTION 2. Effective Date: Pursuant to Section 3.08 of the Charter of the City of Ely, Minnesota, the adoption of this Ordinance is effective immediately after final adoption and publication.

First Reading: May 21, 2024

Second Reading: June 4, 2024

Adopted this ____ day of _____, 2024.

Mayor

Clerk Treasurer

Publication Date: May 25, 2024

Newspaper: Ely Echo

City of Ely
Bills List for Council Meeting on
6/4/2024

May Gen Gov Bills List	63,765.92
May Enterprise Bills List	21,931.89
	\$ <u>85,697.81</u>

Check Issue Date	Check Number	Payee	Amount	Description
05/22/2024	69098	BECKLIN & WHITNEY	2,865.10	BUILDING OFFICIAL
05/29/2024	69100	PORTER, LUKE	3,500.00	
05/30/2024	69101	BORCHERT, ADAM	335.67	TRAVEL/TRAINING
05/30/2024	69102	MARSHALL, DAVE	356.00	TRAVEL/TRAINING
05/22/2024	105439	DEMARCE, GREG	1,000.00	EARNEST MONEY REFUND
05/22/2024	105440	KLUN LAW FIRM P.A.	10,025.78	
05/22/2024	80522241	AFLAC	197.21	AFLAC
05/22/2024	80522242	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MN	51,240.23	BLUE CROSS
05/22/2024	80522243	HEALTH EQUITY	11,147.26	HEALTH EQUITY
05/22/2024	80522244	SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY O	3,179.58	SUNLIFE DENTAL
05/29/2024	80529241	STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	1,850.98	STANDARD INSURANCE
Grand Totals:			<u>85,697.81</u>	

Name	Invoice	Total Cost	Description
8 AFLAC			
AFLAC	06/2024	197.21	AFLAC
Total 8 AFLAC:		197.21	
237 HEALTH EQUITY			
HEALTH EQUITY	06/2024	500.00	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	06/2024	565.88	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	06/2024	150.31	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	06/2024	2,806.25	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	06/2024	27.63	HEALTH EQUITY
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HEALTH EQUITY	06/2024	843.75	HEALTH EQUITY
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HEALTH EQUITY	06/2024	1,196.62	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	06/2024	7.52	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	06/2024	3.69	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	06/2024	15.05	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	06/2024	.72	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	06/2024	26.11	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	06/2024	8.85	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	06/2024	9.24	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	06/2024	9.25	HEALTH EQUITY
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Total 237 HEALTH EQUITY:		11,147.26	
293 KLUN LAW FIRM P.A.			
KLUN LAW FIRM P.A.	REESE/QUI	10,025.78	
Total 293 KLUN LAW FIRM P.A.:		10,025.78	
338 MARSHALL, DAVE			
MARSHALL, DAVE	05/30/2024	356.00	TRAVEL/TRAINING
Total 338 MARSHALL, DAVE:		356.00	
575 STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY			
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	06/2024	25.70	STANDARD INSURANCE
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STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	06/2024	31.92	STANDARD INSURANCE
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STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	06/2024	92.41	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	06/2024	103.97	STANDARD INSURANCE
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Name	Invoice	Total Cost	Description
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BECKLIN & WHITNEY	PR-11-2024	2,865.10	BUILDING OFFICIAL
Total 999 BECKLIN & WHITNEY:		2,865.10	
1190 BORCHERT, ADAM			
BORCHERT, ADAM	05/22/2024	335.67	TRAVEL/TRAINING
Total 1190 BORCHERT, ADAM:		335.67	
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SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA	06/2024	141.60	SUNLIFE DENTAL
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PORTER, LUKE	INV-00729	3,500.00	
Total 1679 PORTER, LUKE:		3,500.00	
1696 DEMARCE, GREG			
DEMARCE, GREG	05/22/2024	1,000.00	EARNEST MONEY REFUND
Total 1696 DEMARCE, GREG:		1,000.00	
Grand Totals:		85,697.81	

Report GL Period Summary

Vendor number hash:

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Resignation from City of Ely Tree Board

Dear City of Ely,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to formally resign from my position as a board member serving our community.

Due to recent changes in my personal circumstances, specifically a relocation to a new area, it is necessary to step down from my role on the board.

I want to express my appreciation for the opportunity to contribute to the Tree Board and the community during my tenure. It has been a valuable experience working alongside each of you, and I am grateful for the collaborative efforts we have undertaken together.

I extend my best wishes for the continued success of the board and its endeavors in the future.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Sincerely,

Aspen (A.Z.) Eck

A Z Eck 5/30/24

Resignation from City of Park and Recreation Board

Dear City of Ely,

I hope this message finds you well. I am writing to formally resign from my position as a board member serving our community.

Due to recent changes in my personal circumstances, specifically a relocation to a new area, it is necessary to step down from my role on the board.

I want to express my appreciation for the opportunity to contribute to the Park and Recreation Board and the community during my tenure. It has been a valuable experience working alongside each of you, and I am grateful for the collaborative efforts we have undertaken together.

I extend my best wishes for the continued success of the board and its endeavors in the future.

Thank you for your understanding and support.

Sincerely,

Aspen (A.Z.) Eck

 5/30/24