

AGENDA
October 15, 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:
 - A. (3-16) Approve minutes from the October 1, 2024 Regular Council Meeting and the August 27, 2024 Study Session.

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.

7. REQUESTS TO APPEAR:
 - A. (17-20) Ian Francis Lah- Ely Cultural Alliance and Ely for Ely Conference

8. COMMITTEE REPORTS:
 - A. Standing/Special
 - a. (21) Library Board

 - b. (22-24) Range Association of Municipalities & Schools (RAMS)

 - c. Other Committee Meetings

9. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:
 - A. Clerk-Treasurer

 - B. Fire Chief

 - C. Library Director

 - D. Police Chief
 - i. Recommendation from the Police Commission to hire Bradley Roy as sergeant.

E. City Attorney

F. City Engineer

10. COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. (25) EBCH Northeast Regional Ambulance Initiative Next Steps Meeting – Friday, October 18, 2024 at 2pm at the Grand Ely Lodge
- B. (26) Lodging Tax Report through July
- C. (27) Public Meeting on Harvey Street Central – 9th Avenue Reconstruction Project on October 28, 2024 at 6pm at Ely City Hall Council Chambers.

11. CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT:

- A. (28-39) City and EUC Claims for October 15, 2024 for \$227,270.72

12. OLD BUSINESS:

13. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. (40-42) Resolution 2024-038 Resolution Making Levy and Assessment Against Taxable Properties for Delinquent Blight Violations
- B. (43-44) Resolution 2024-039 Resolution Authorizing Application to DEED for the Cleanup of the Depot Site
- C. (45-46) Resolution 2024-040 Resolution Authorizing Application to DEED for the Investigation of Contamination of the Depot Site

14. OPEN FORUM:

15. ADJOURN:

**Regular Meeting Ely City Council – City Hall, Council Chambers
October 1, 2024 – Minutes**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Omerza called the 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/Campbell moved to approve the minutes from the September 17, 2024 Regular Council Meeting. Motion Carried Unanimously

ADDITIONS OR OMISSIONS TO AGENDA:

- A. Additions 6.B Approve rescheduling the November 5th Regular Council Meeting to November 12th at 5:30pm since the General Election is on November 5th
- B. Additions 7.A. Catherine Helm-Clark – Information regarding land stability ordinance
- C. Additions 9.A Development Agreement between Pillar Company LLC and City of Ely for the renovation of the Ely Community Center.
- D. Additions 11.E Pay Estimate #4 for the Ely Regional Trailhead Building for \$277,718.45 to Max Gray Construction.
- E. Additions 13.A. Resolution 2024-036 Resolution Making Levy Assessment Against Taxable Properties for Delinquent Water, Sewer and Electric Accounts (Additions- Updated Exhibit A)

Debeltz/Callen moved to approve the Additions A-E. Motion Carried Unanimously.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Omerza thanked Council member Campbell for going to the ribbon cutting for the North County Trail at Hidden Valley this last weekend. Campbell stated that there was a great turnout and it is great that Ely is considered a North County Trail Town. Hikers can stay at our local hotels, uses our restaurants and grocery store.

Mayor Omerza indicated that we lost a long-time school board member, Ray Marsnik, this last weekend. We appreciate all that Ray has done for the school, city, and our community. He will be missed. Mayor Omerza held a moment of silence for Ray.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- A. Motion to waive readings in entirety of all ordinances and resolutions on tonight's agenda.
- B. Approve rescheduling the November 5th Regular Council Meeting to November 12th at 5:30pm since the General Election is on November 5th.

Campbell/Callen moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items A and B. Motion Carried Unanimously

REQUESTS TO APPEAR:

Catherine Helm-Clark – Information regarding land stability ordinance

Helm-Clark indicated at the Sept. 3rd city council meeting, the council heard the recommendation from the planning and zoning commission to drop the land stability certification requirement at the 75-foot or greater set-back in the Shoreline Overlay District surrounding Miners Lake. Helm-Clark stated that she has done slope stability studies professionally, she believes she has a clue into the stability certification requirement, having made such determinations in the past under another state's regulatory framework. Because she has

experience in this subject, she researched Minnesota's regulatory framework for soil and slope stability rules after the Sept. 3rd city council meeting. She found that Ely's language in its ordinance § 11.41 reflects the language Chapter 6120, sections 3200 through 3800. The responsibility for enforcement and oversight of these shoreline regulations belongs to Minnesota Department of Natural Resources.

She is concerned that Ely may be setting itself up to get into trouble with DNR if Ely makes this change without consulting that agency first.

Her concerns arise in part because of the Silver Rapids zoning fight just on the other side of the county line. As you may recall, last month DNR requested that Lake County, follow its own shoreline ordinances which it negotiated with DNR in the 1990s, with DNR stating in writing that it may take Lake County, to court if it does not do so.

Noting the consequences of ignoring DNR's role in shoreline regulation, she reached out to DNR after reading the agenda for this city council meeting, asking specifically about the respective roles of that agency and local governments regarding shoreline regulations.

DNR's email to me stated: "DNR Land Use Unit Supervisor Emily Javens provided this summary of how (DNR's relationship with local governments) works:

"Simply put, the DNR's role is to review and approve local ordinances. Authority is passed from the state level to the local level through this process. They can adopt a model ordinance we write or they may adopt more restrictive standards."

It may be that the city attorney or clerk or planning and zoning administrator has already reached out to DNR about making this change to Ely § 11.41. However, if DNR's role in shoreline regulation was accidentally overlooked, she would urge the city to reach out to DNR about this change to avoid receiving an unhappy letter from that agency like Lake Co. did just two weeks ago.

Langowski stated that we will have Planning and Zoning Administrator look into this.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Standing/Special

Park and Recreation Board

Bisbee/Debeltz moved to approve the recommendation from the Park and Rec Committee that any maps including recreational opportunities that are developed be passed through Park and Rec for examination. Motion Carried Unanimously

Bisbee/Campbell moved to approve the recommendation from the Park and Rec Committee to task City Clerk P&Z Admin to reach out to various organizations to gauge interest and establish availability dates for a joint organizational Study Session to discuss ways of upgrading the Rec Center's Hockey Rink into year-round facility use.

A.Forsman indicated that this concerns him, why would this be a city staff job to take this on?

Bisbee stated that Park and Rec have received interest from Pickleball, Ely Blue Line and they want to ask other organizations if they are interested also.

Motion Carried 6-1 with A.Forsman voting No.

Bisbee/Debeltz moved to approve the recommendation for the Park and Rec Board to see if VCC Students would work with the City of Ely to clean up the area around Pillow Rock while the City is working in the location installing a bench.

Langowski indicated that this would be volunteer work from VCC.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Planning and Zoning Commission (P&Z)

Matter of Information: P&Z approved the following subdivision: approval of a Variation in the Subdivision Ordinance submitted by the First Presbyterian Church, location of 226 E Harvey St, Parcel #030-0010-02940; to subdivide this property into (2) parcels. The request is for a Variation from Subdivision Ordinance 12.05 Subd. 5(a) Each residential lot must be 6,000 sq ft. (proposal is 5,000 sq ft.), Subdivision Ordinance 12.05 Subd. 5(a) lot width minimum of 50 feet (proposal is for 40 feet in width), and a variation from ordinance 11.41, the side yard setback requirements in (R2) Zoning of 8 feet (proposal is for 6 and 7 feet).

Campbell/Kess moved to approve the recommendation from P & Z regarding the Cannabis Land Use Regulation and Ordinance update. Planning and Zoning agrees with the land use and zoning of subd. 2 of this proposal, the rest is brought forth by guidelines that were made by the state. Planning and zoning read through it and comments that there is a double standard with shops between each other compared to rules of bars, and under events the hours of 9 am to 5pm may be unrealistic. Planning and zoning would like to be invited to a study session/public hearing.

Kess indicated that we are under our own moratorium deadline to come up with an ordinance this seems to be a step in the right direction and we should continue these discussions.

A.Forsman stated that as an ordinance we would have a public hearing and they could speak at that time.

Mayor Omerza indicated that the Office of Cannabis has a lot to say about this and us as a municipality do not have a lot of options, we will be following their rules and laws. We are pretty much told what to do regarding this, we may have a few options, but not a lot of options.

Attorney Klun indicated that we would need to draft an ordinance. Klun stated she would like to see what the county is going to do, that will greatly affect how the city will operate this. We can put in some regulatory terms, but thinks there will be a best practice that comes out through this.

Attorney Klun indicated that this is currently is not in final ordinance form, so it would be best to schedule a meeting, then she will have a timeframe to have the draft ordinance completed.

Mayor Omerza indicated that the county is upon the same deadlines that we are, correct.

Attorney Klun stated that they are, and the number of permits they issue could affect us. There is a provision relative to a county, based on population. Attorney Klun indicated that she is interested to see what County Attorney Maki has to say about this.

Langowski indicated that we can have a study session in October to discuss this. We already have a study session planned to discuss the fee schedule.

Motion Carried Unanimously

Kess/Debeltz moved to schedule a Study Session on October 29th to discuss the Cannabis Land Use Regulation and Licensing Ordinance. Motion Carried Unanimously

Campbell/Bisbee moved to approve the recommendation from P&Z to approve the updated Dumpster Enclosure Ordinance and to have the City Attorney work on updating the ordinance.

Bisbee indicated that there is a grandfather clause in it how does that work.

A.Forsman indicated that with the small lot size of many businesses how do you do this? Lengthy discussion was had on what changes were made to this ordinance since nothing redlined on this draft ordinance. Discussion was had on bringing back to P&Z for more information.

Motion Failed 3-4 with A.Forsman/Kess/Callen/Omerza voting No.

Police Commission: Minutes included in the Council Packet

Ely Utilities Commission (EUC)

A.Forsman/Campbell moved to approve the recommendation from EUC to approve advertising for the Salvation Army HeatShare Program on the City of Ely Website.

A.Forsman told the public to look into this program and the others that are out there if you think you might have low funds this winter to pay your utility bills. The money for these programs can run out early. Contact EUC Billing to make a payment plan, and please apply now for these programs.

Langowski indicated that we sent out a Cold Weather Rule Brochure, if you need to make a payment plan, please sign up for these programs early. We do not want to have to shut anyone's utilities off in the winter, but you need to sign up for these programs, or else we can.

Motion Carried Unanimously

A.Forsman/Campbell moved to approve the recommendation from EUC to approve attendance to the MMUA Technical and Operations Conference and Trade Show in St Cloud, December 10-12, 2024. Motion Carried Unanimously

A.Forsman/Callen moved to approve the recommendation from EUC to approve \$400 Residential CIP Rebate for a heat pump to 919 E Chapman St. Motion Carried Unanimously

A.Forsman/Campbell moved to approve the recommendation from EUC to approve \$5190.31 Commercial CIP Rebate for lighting to KJ's True Value. Motion Carried Unanimously

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

Clerk-Treasurer

A.Forsman/Callen moved to approve the Development Agreement between Pillar Company LLC and City of Ely for the renovation of the Ely Community Center.

Langowski indicated that the owner of the Old Community Center, Matt Stupnik, plans to convert it into a Boutique Hotel. We have made an application to the IRRR for the demolition of things inside to start the renovation process. This Development Agreement means that the \$200,000 grant that he would receive, in exchange for that he needs to complete the project by October 2, 2026. If the project fails or doesn't get completed this is how the IRRR would get the money back from him. With this money the project is scheduled to begin in December. This is similar to other projects we have done with KJ's Hardware Store, Zup's Grocery Store and others. Time

is of the essence since the IRRR is scoring the applications soon and this is a key portion to the scoring.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

Fire Chief:

Chief Marshall discussed the current fire and medical calls for the Fire Department. Marshall stated that the Public Safety Open house was last Wednesday and they had a good turnout for it. The fire department will be participating in the homecoming parade on Friday and they will be serving some food at the firehall for the Jake Forsman Car Show and Burnout Competition on Saturday.

Library Director

Information from ARSL Conference the Library Staff attended. Library Director Heinrich discussed the current programming for the Ely Library which can be found on the library website.

Police Chief

Officer Resignation

Chief Houde indicated that Officer Christian Debrey resigned on September 27th via text message 1 hour before his shift was scheduled to start. He indicated that law enforcement is not right for him. Chief Houde asked the council to accept the resignation and to start the hiring process.

Debeltz/Bisbee moved to accept the resignation of Officer Christian Debrey. Motion Carried Unanimously

Debeltz/A.Forsman moved to start the hiring process for a new police officer. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Debeltz asked if he got a canoe. Houde indicated that he did and he will have to pay back the \$3800 for is.

Chief Houde stated that there will be a Homecoming Parade at 1pm on Friday and also the G Force Rally will be escorted through town around 1:30pm from the Grand Ely Lodge.

City Attorney

Callen/Bisbee moved to approve the Note and Mortgage for the Commercial Renovation Loan for Dexter Inc DBA Canoe on Inn at 110 N 2nd Ave W for \$12,000 to reroof the building at 201 W Sheridan St. Motion Carried Unanimously

Debeltz/Campbell moved to approve the Note and Mortgage for the Residential Rehab Loan for Kelsey Ivancich for \$10,000 at 940 E Chapman St for a new propane furnace. Motion Carried Unanimously

Debeltz/Callen moved to approve the Note and Mortgage for the Residential Rehab Loan for Deann Carlson for \$10,000 at 1304 E Harvey St for new propane furnace and to update the sewer. Motion Carried Unanimously.

A.Forsman/Bisbee moved to approve the 1st reading of Ordinance 378 – An Ordinance of the City of Ely, Minnesota, Amending Chapter 11, Section 11.41 of the Ely City Code Regarding Zoning District Schedule.

Attorney Klun suggested that we move forward with the 1st reading of this ordinance and we can do some checking with the DNR before the 2nd reading.

Campbell asked if there is a map of this zoning change.

Attorney Klun indicated that this is a change to the Zoning District Schedule. We will post this in the paper and have a Public Hearing before the 2nd Reading.

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

City Engineer

COMMUNICATIONS: Matter of Information

Correspondence from St. Louis County regarding a Public Informational Meeting for the 2025 Harvey Street Project (Central Avenue to 9th Avenue) on October 28th at 6pm in the Council Chambers.

Langowski indicated that surveying has begun for this project, you may have noticed some stakes around on Harvey Street. This project will have some significant rock removal from Central Avenue to 3rd Avenue East. We are looking at realigning the storm sewer so it would no longer go down 3rd Avenue to Pattison and White, it would just go down Harvey Street to Central. Anyone that is interested should come to the meeting on October 28th, the county will have maps and will be able to answer any questions.

Correspondence from Ely Chamber of Commerce regarding the Harvest Moon Festival.

Correspondence from Habitat for Humanity, Habitat Highlights – September 2024

Correspondence from Ely Area Ambulance Service.

Langowski stated that he talked with Scott Kellerman about having Paul Kess being a designee on the Ely Area Ambulance Service Board, and Kellerman said he would bring it forward.

CLAIMS FOR PAYMENT:

- A. City and EUC Claims for October 1, 2024 for \$1,146,565.62
- B. Short Elliott Hendrickson (SEH) Invoice #473673 for the Prospector ATV Trails for \$11,000.00.
- C. Pay Estimate #1 for the 2023 Taxilane Reconstruction Project for \$144,348.72 to Low Impact Excavators, Inc
- D. League of Minnesota Cities partial 2024 Membership Dues Invoice for \$1,416.
- E. Pay Estimate #4 for the Ely Regional Trailhead Building for \$277,718.45 to Max Gray Construction.

Debeltz/Callen moved to approve Claims for Payment items A-E. Motion Carried Unanimously

OLD BUSINESS:

Committee Seat

Bisbee/Debeltz moved to appoint Claudia McBride to the Tree Board for a mid-term seat with the term expiring 1/31/2026. Motion Carried Unanimously

NEW BUSINESS:

Campbell/Callen moved to approve Resolution 2024-036 Resolution Making Levy Assessment Against Taxable Properties for Delinquent Water, Sewer and Electric Accounts (Additions- Updated Exhibit A) Roll Called: A.Forsman-Yes, Kess, Yes, Debeltz-Yes, Callen, Yes, Campbell-Yes, Bisbee-Yes and Mayor Omerza-Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

Callen/Bisbee moved to approve Resolution 2024-037 Resolution Supporting the US EPA Brownsfield Assessment Grant Application to be submitted by the City of Virginia, and authorizing the City of Ely to enter into an MOU of agreement with the City of Virginia got a Community Wide assessment Project. Roll Called: A.Forsman-Yes, Kess, Yes, Debeltz-Yes, Callen, Yes, Campbell-Yes, Bisbee-Yes and Mayor Omerza-Yes. Motion Carried Unanimously.

OPEN FORUM:

Frederica Musgrave – 30 W Shagawa Rd

Musgrave indicated that she does not like to see the additions to the agenda posted an hour before the meeting. This does not give the citizens and the council enough time to review them.

ADJOURN:

Mayor Omerza adjourned the meeting at 6:42pm without objection.

Casey Velcheff
Deputy Clerk

**Study Session Meeting – Council Chambers, Ely City Hall
August 27, 2024 at 5:30pm**

The Ely City Council invited representatives from all interested organizations to attend: Fall Lake Township, City of Winton, Town of Morse, City of Babbitt and Ambulance Service, City of Tower and Ambulance Service, Ely Area Ambulance Service, Ely Bloomenson Community Hospital Board

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Omerza called the Study Session on August 27, 2024 to order at 5:30pm.

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

ABSENT: Council Member Campbell

Others Present: Dena Suikkonen, Michael Smith, Eric Hart, Craig Seliskar, Gerald Tyler, Bob Berrini, Sheila Gruba, Rod Gruba, Dustin Moravitz, Michael Harri, Jean Serson, Erik Houle, Scott Kellerman, Jodi Martin, Chad Houde, Dave Marshall, Harold Langowski, Casey Velcheff, Tom Coombe, Catie Helm-Clark, Scott Kellerman, Chuck Novak, Glenn Anderson, Michelle Richards, Marlene Zorman, Troy Bissonette, Rob Wilmunen, Doug Whitney, Tim Riley, Colin Yanhke, John Schindele, Patti Banks, Kevin Norby, Dave Setterberg, Matt Tuchel, Roger Skraba, and others

ADDITIONS OR OMISSIONS: None

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Patti Banks the CEO of Ely-Bloomenson Community Hospital will present the study completed by SafeTech Solutions concerning the creation of an EMS System in Northern St. Louis and Lake County.

Banks discussed her background in the hospital, she is currently the CEO of Ely Bloomenson Community Hospital (EBCH) and has worked in health care for over 25 years at different levels. Banks explained that EBCH is an independent, member owned supported hospital that is governed by a local volunteer board of directors that are members of the hospital. They are a critical access, 21 bed hospital which is important. The hospital has a full range of inpatient and outpatient services and they are one of the region's largest employers with over 130 employees. Banks discussed why EBCH started down this path again with ambulance and EMS. About 20 or so years ago the hospital owned and operated the ambulance service, at that time it was decided that for sustainability reasons it was best to separate from the ambulance service and it formed into a non-profit. As we know things change consistently and constantly, we are back to try to find a sustainable solution for the ambulance service. About 3 years ago the hospital board went into strategic planning, and one thing that came up in the

patient surveys was that patients were experiencing dissatisfaction with their emergency room services. Some of the concerns were with the transportation wait times if the patient needed to be transferred to a different hospital. The doctors also realized that in order to meet the medical transport needs of the patients, and to be able to provide the additional care outside of the community something needed to change, this was not due to the lack of quality, it was strictly based on staffing and monetary resources. We all have the same goals to take care of the patients, but some of this added to a contentious relationship with the Ely Area Ambulance. This is part of the reason why we are here and we are working with SafeTech Solutions to address this.

Banks discussed the financial assumptions that SafeTech used. The study was done based on the hospital's payer mix. The information that was asked for and what was received from all three ambulance services was tough to verify, because some were more forthcoming of their information than others, so they used hospital financial statistics. Currently 65% of their payer mix is government which is Medicare or Medicaid, the remaining 35% is private or insurance pay. Some of the numbers may differ since ambulances bring patients to the closest hospital, so not all 911 calls from Babbitt or Tower would have come to the Ely Hospital, and we would expect that to continue as we would move through this. If there is one license that the hospital would own it would change to cost based reimbursement for medical and 911 care.

Ambulances have a lot of high capital costs, and that might be some funding support the hospital would need.

What's next? We are currently at 1) creating a vision for a single integrated EMS System. We need to decide if we are going to move forward with 2) Interfacility patient transfers must be prioritized valued, staffed, and resourced at the same level as 911 responses. 3) Create a detailed design and implementation plan 4) Create a transitional roadmap and timeline that honors local dedication and commitment 5) Incentivize participation in the new design/plan 4) Assist unsustainable services in meeting immediate needs. Banks indicated that we need the communities and Ambulance Services to decide where we go from here. The hospital cannot just take over the license(s) for ambulance service. The Primary Service Area (PSA) would need to be combined into one PSA which would be larger than the state of Rhode Island. Banks indicated that they are taking this seriously because a hospital without an ambulance service is not going to be very sustainable.

Banks discussed Scenario One which would be a Regional System Licensed by EBCH. All four organizations will work with SafeTech Solutions and licensing agencies on licensure. EBCH becomes responsible for operations of EMS including 911 coverage, medical transports, staffing, supplies, etc. EBCH becomes responsible for creating a budget and reporting to local government bodies (this included all cities and townships within the 3 current ambulance primary service area). Medical care, health care, and ambulance services remain sustainable. The unknowns are taxation amount or how taxes are applied. Banks indicated that they are thinking that this would be sustainable for at least the next 10 years, it might not be the perfect solution but it is a solution, because right now what we are doing is not working. The hospital with one license could provide ALS coverage, 911 coverage, medical transports and to be able to provide the government bodies with a budget, with requests that could be worked on or budgeted in for support for any type of capital costs. One of the ambulance services asked how

much would this cost per capita, Banks indicated that her estimate was \$45-\$50 per capita, and that is with existing services, that number has not been forecasted out. SafeTech Solutions is on hold right now for them to develop that budget it will cost more money. When the hospital moved in this direction instead of making a donation to our existing service, they decided to try to come up with a potentially sustainable solution. The overall cost of this study was \$70,000, Banks stated that she did write a couple of grants and they reimbursed for approximately half of the study.

A.Forsman indicated that he was glad to see everyone here from all the different entities. When this was presented a couple months ago it seemed like a clear path forward. We do love our ambulance service and we have top quality personal, but can we keep them employed and keep going forward with good service. A.Forsman asked what are everyone's organization's thoughts with this? Let's open this up for comment.

Eric Houle – Babbitt Ambulance Service and Lake County Ambulance Service
Houle indicated that in the PowerPoint it indicated that the EBCH will value transfers at the same level of 911 and that you will 2 ambulances in Ely, 1 in Tower and 1 in Babbitt. Right now, we are in an EMS shortage, how are you going to get that many EMS workers? If you do have shortages, where are you going to pull from, is Ely going to be the main headquarters, then people in Embarrass or Greenwood would be waiting over an hour for ambulance service to get to them. How will you prioritize transfers if you are on a call then you get an emergent transfer?

Banks indicated it would be the hospitals responsibility to staff and employ. If that is the level we will need to start out with then that is the level we will achieve. Banks indicated that they are not experts in everything that goes along with running an ambulance, and that is why they would be working with SafeTech to give them an operational model to make sure that the hospital can meet the expectations that are laid out in this scenario.

Chuck Novak – Ely Ambulance Board

Novak thanked Al Forsman for getting everyone together to discuss this. Novak indicated that his intent is to not counter the hospital. Novak asked everyone to take caution, there are too many questions and not enough answers right now. Novak indicated that they have 20+ employees that they are really concerned about, they want to make sure that they will still have employment if there are any changes. The total number of ambulances seems like a reduction in capability with what is currently had. No decisions have been made in St. Paul regarding the ambulance services, which is a state wide issue. We need to make baby steps with this issue and we need to take caution and not jump right in. Ambulance patients are happy, but it is hard with transports, its hard-to-get reimbursements. Novak indicated that the city has budgeted \$15.15 per capita not the \$45 to \$60 that was mentioned.

Glenn Anderson – Babbitt City Council

Anderson asked who would be supplying the ambulances, would the hospital be purchasing our ambulances?

Banks stated the goal would be to keep the ambulances in each community and they would be required by law to cover the area that they commit to. There are physical

ambulances, but the challenge would be how many of the ambulances are actually staffed 24/7. As we transition, if the communities decide to go in this direction, the staffing model would look like is they would commit to that initial, 2 in Ely and 1 in each other community you could still backfill using the current volunteer system, and the existing support that we have. The hospital would be responsible for staffing.

Anderson asked what happens when we have 2 transfers, then you are going to leave Babbitt or Tower without an ambulance for their residents. Banks indicated that it happens now. Anderson indicated that it would cut down the response time to our residents. Anderson asked if the hospital would lease or rent space from the city to house the ambulance, and have living quarters for the workers. Banks indicated those questions would need more research and potentially a Joint Powers or something like that to be able to govern some of the requirements for the coverage components. The hospital would have their own set of rules and regulations that they would have to follow. Anderson indicated that they do a lot of transfers for other hospitals, that is what makes them a lot of money. He said they have enough money right now to buy 1 if not 2 ambulances. Anderson indicated that they make sure they have a crew in town in order to do transfers and make sure that coverage is being had.

A.Forsman indicated that when SafeTech was here they discussed having the two remote facilities and having them staffed, that was in there original presentation. Anderson indicated that they had never heard from SafeTech, they had one meeting with the Babbitt Ambulance Director, but they never talked to the Babbitt City Council.

Kevin Norby – Tower City Council

Norby stated that they have been working on this issue for sometime now, they have been trying to work with neighboring townships to look into a joint powers board for this as well. Norby asked how the governance would work for this and what the cost would be. Tower is in favor of taking the next steps to finding a solution to this issue. How are we going to have our communities including our townships involved and how do we approve increases. If this is relicensed, is it going to be licensed into a taxing district, and how do we do it? Would it be a joint powers board for the district? How do we get all the townships involved? He said that they do not want the service to be outsourced by a private company.

Paul Kess - Kess stated that by working all together we can access the higher reimbursement rates. Banks cannot answer a lot of these detailed questions because the information doesn't exist yet. On the slide that discusses What's Next? We are on step 1 and a lot of the details that we want are in step 3 which is create a detailed design and implementation plan. If we had that, it would answer a lot of the questions that we don't know yet. To get to that point it is going to cost more money. Kess asked whether the money that was allocated by the state, if that money could be used to move this study forward. If it is the intention to explore what an arrangement might look like, then we should work together to find those answers. It might turn out that it might be too expensive to do, but we don't know that, but we should get to Step 3 for the detailed design and implementation and see where we go from there.

Dena Suikkonen – Tower Ambulance

Suikkonen indicated that the Tower Ambulance had 4 calls from 10pm–2am, most of the ambulance workers got home at 3:30am this morning. One call at 9:30pm also involved Ely ALS, and they did not get cleared from the Ely hospital until 12:30am. She said she doesn't see how they can have less rigs, last night they had 2 rigs out at the same time. Suikkonen indicated that EMS is not corporate we don't look at the bottom line, they do what they do to take care of the communities they live in. She said she likes what Banks is doing, because it can mean longevity. Where are the costs of the ambulances going to come from, or the costs for there own hall since Tower doesn't have one? Suikkonen stated that SafeTech was good to work with when they came to meet them.

Bob Berrini – Town of Morse, Joint Powers Ambulance Board, Ely Area Ambulance Service Board

Berrini stated that when they took over the ambulance service 20 years ago it was because the hospital stated that the ambulance can bill the people, the hospital as a non-profit could not bill them. When they took it over, they had two ambulances that were two-wheel drive, an old trailer, and old snowmobile. The hospital rented the Ely Area Ambulance Service a building that had no water or sewer and they had to pay rent.

Dave Setterberg – Mayor of Tower

Setterberg stated that Tower is supportive to look at the next steps. He stated that Tower used to make money when it was all volunteer, but now it is required to be 24/7/365 and you have to pay people round the clock. Setterberg was at the EMS meeting in St Paul, at that time a lot of the legislatures did not know how much money is not being received from Medicare and Medicaid, which could make a big difference. Setterberg would like more information on the change in accounting the hospital could receive with having a PSA 35 miles away. By creating a new PSA, it would give the opportunity to start with a clean slate and write things the correct way to make a better service. Setterberg stated that Tower is supportive in looking for a better way to improve the service.

Rob Wilmunen – EBCH Board Member

Wilmunen stated that the reason the hospital went this way was because of the transfers, the 911 service has been working well. Wilmunen indicated that 11%, or more than 1 out of 10 of the people had to take themselves or a family member had to take them to a higher level of care. That is not counting the number of people that had to wait 3 or more hours for an ambulance to come. EBCH is not looking to take over the ambulance service, they are trying to figure out a better solution so everything can be covered more effectively. The consultants that have been hired are nationally known and have done this throughout the country.

A.Forsman asked about transfers and what the average response time is for a transfer. Banks indicated that it is about 2-4 hours once a patient is stabilized. Ely is first to be offered the transfer, but sometimes there are other 911 calls going on. Then the

physician would make the decision if they would call out to other ambulance services or helicopter depending on the requirements. Banks stated that in the Metro Areas or in Duluth it is not an issue, but in rural areas the 2-4 hour wait time is common.

Chuck Novak – Ely Area Ambulance Board

On the delays Novak indicated that they used to have paid on call, but with the lack of funding they no longer have paid on call, they have to hope that at least two of the paid staff will come into take the transport.

Catie Helm-Clark –

When SafeTech made their presentation the 35-mile buffer that is in the CMS regulations. If you put a remote station in Babbitt and Tower and have the main facility in Ely, there is nothing in the CMS regulations about doing that. SafeTech talked about it being a loop hole in the regulations to get the cost reimbursement to work for the critical access hospital. Helm-Clark indicated that she has never heard of ambulance services doing remote stations before. Is SafeTech sure that the 35-mile zone is what can be done.

Banks indicated that they have looked into it, as a critical access hospital licensure they are allowed to have satellite locations.

Kess asked that he hopes we can continue to meet as a working group from each community, to continue to work on answering the questions that have been asked.

Matt Tuchel – Breitung Township, 20+ years in EMS – currently on Tower Ambulance Tuchel sees this as a scope of scale. We see this often when towns work together to make things more affordable. When things get too costly, communities need to work together to make things work out. As far as employment, the hospital is going to employ local people, this is doable. Babbitt is making money today, but what happens next year when they are losing money and only have 4 people on the roster, as a hypothetical example. This is something we need to work towards. Tuchel indicated that he works at the Wastewater Plant and he was the Ambulance Director, which wasn't his specialty. In this case you would have a full-time person at the hospital managing this, you would have all the hospital resources. You would have an infectious disease specialist to teach you about Covid, not the wastewater operator to teach you about Covid, the hospital would have specialists to educate their workers. Tuchel indicated that 30 years ago Tower had a hearse that was converted to an ambulance, now they have a \$255,000 ambulance with a ton of technology. Tuchel said that working with the hospital is the best solution, could it fail, yes but you have to take the chance. We need to move forward to continue to get the answers.

State Representative Roger Skraba indicated that they are working on this issue. The federal government is the key to getting Medicare to pay their fair share.

Omerza indicated that we care about all of you in this room, we deeply care about the work that you do especially if you are an Emergency Service individual. If there are

some that want to move forward with this, lets get a group together to move these issues further.

Banks stated that the hospital will be moving forward under the guidance that there will be a working group that will be put together and we will start working on Step 3.

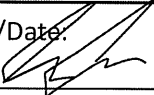
ADJOURN

Mayor Omerza adjourned the study session at 6:45pm without objection.

Casey Velcheff
Deputy Clerk



**CITY OF ELY
REQUEST TO APPEAR
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

Requested Date to Appear: 10/15/24	Estimated time needed: (5 – 15 minutes maximum) 10 Minutes
Presenter(s): Ian Francis Lah	Committee:
Information to be presented: Report by the Ely Cultural Alliance on the impact of arts and culture on our community, and our economy and an open invitation for City Council Members to attend the Ely For Ely Conference and/or the next Ely Cultural Alliance Meeting.	
Supporting Documents: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Attached <input type="checkbox"/> None	
Signature/Date:  10/10/24	
ACTION TAKEN BY COUNCIL:	
Clerk/Treasurer's Signature/Date:	

Mining Ely's Potential: The Economic Benefits of Arts and Culture

Dear Members of the Ely City Council,

We are writing to highlight a vital yet often overlooked aspect of our community's growth: the significant economic benefits derived from Ely's investment in arts and culture.

Ely, known for its stunning natural landscapes, is also home to a vibrant cultural scene supported by the Ely Cultural Alliance. This alliance includes the Northern Lakes Arts Association (NLAA), Ely Folk School, Donald G. Gardner Humanities Trust, Tofte Lake Center, Dorothy Molter Museum, Boundary Waters Connect, Ely's Historic State Theater, and the Listening Point Foundation. These organizations are more than cultural touchstones; they are powerful economic drivers that fuel our town's prosperity.

The Ely Cultural Alliance is dedicated to fostering the growth and enrichment of arts and culture in Ely by uniting diverse creative voices and nurturing a vibrant artistic community. Our mission is to provide a supportive platform that empowers local artists, preserves cultural heritage, and encourages collaborative endeavors that contribute to the identity and vitality of our community. We envision Ely as a regional hub renowned for its rich tapestry of arts, culture, and shared experiences, driven by collaboration, education, and celebration.

Economic Impact and National Data

Recent findings align with national data, illustrating the broad impact of arts and culture on both rural and urban communities. According to a 2019 National Governors Association (NGA) report titled "Rural Prosperity through the Arts & Creativity Sector," two-thirds of all businesses, regardless of their location, consider local arts and entertainment organizations crucial for attracting workers. Moreover, rural performing arts organizations, such as those in Ely, attract more outside visitors (31% vs. 19.3% for urban organizations), which drives economic activity through admissions, dining, and other related expenditures.

Locally, data from ProPublica and Cause IQ show that cultural expenditures in Ely surged from \$776,544 in 2019 to \$1,305,909 in 2022, marking an impressive 68.2% increase. Attendees at cultural events in Ely spend between \$6 for every one dollar they pay for tickets and participation. This year alone, that accounts for over \$500,000 being spent at local businesses. This growth translates into tangible benefits for our local economy, including job creation, business stimulation, and an enhanced quality of life for residents and visitors alike.

Minnesota's Unique Cultural Landscape

One of the most remarkable aspects of Minnesota's arts and culture landscape is the incredible support it receives from an array of generous funders. There is truly no other state like it. Organizations such as the Blandin Foundation, the McKnight Foundation, the Minnesota State Arts Board, the Arrowhead Regional Arts Council, and the Donald G. Gardner Humanities Trust have been instrumental in fostering a vibrant arts community throughout the state. Ely, in

particular, has been fortunate to benefit from these resources, with numerous projects funded by these generous entities.

This level of commitment allows our community to thrive, innovate, and create extraordinary experiences for all, reaffirming that Ely's cultural growth is not only possible but flourishing. Our arts organizations are recognized as "substantive innovators," contributing to a dynamic service industry by using surplus funds for innovative projects.

A Wider Reach: Regional and National Connections

Our cultural investments resonate far beyond Ely, extending our influence across Minnesota, including cities like Duluth, Brainerd, and the Twin Cities, all within a 100-260 mile radius. Nationally, we draw artists and visitors from across the country who contribute to making Ely their creative home, further elevating its status as a prime tourist destination. Internationally, our connections reach regions like Thunder Bay, Ontario, just 250 miles away. This extensive reach highlights the pivotal role Ely's cultural sector plays in attracting visitors and strengthening regional ties.

The financial boost from these cultural activities has enabled Ely's institutions to engage an additional 26,231 individuals, broadening our cultural reach and reinforcing Ely's appeal as a year-round destination. This is crucial for a town where seasonal tourism alone cannot sustain the economy. By providing diverse cultural events and programs throughout the year, we ensure a steady influx of visitors and support local businesses even in the off-season.

Investing in Our Future

Ely's arts and culture scene does more than complement our scenic beauty; it invigorates our community by fostering creativity, collaboration, and pride. From art galleries and craft shops to performance venues, artist retreats, and cultural festivals, our sector supports local entrepreneurs and provides significant economic and educational opportunities. According to the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), arts and culture also make communities more resilient to economic downturns, further emphasizing the importance of continued investment.

Investing in arts and culture not only enriches our community but also strengthens its resilience and growth potential. By supporting and celebrating these cultural assets, we attract more visitors and foster a sense of unity and pride among residents. These vibrant cultural offerings also make our community more appealing to potential new residents, further amplifying our growth potential.

A Call to Action

As we reflect on the remarkable growth and impact of arts and culture in Ely over the past three years, it's clear that our community is thriving in ways we never imagined. The arts have brought people together, enriched our shared experience, and driven significant economic growth. As the season of giving approaches, we ask you to consider the profound impact these cultural investments have made and continue to support Ely's arts and culture sector.

Invitation to the "Ely for Ely Workshop"

*To further explore the potential of Ely's cultural sector, we invite you to the **Ely for Ely Workshop**. This workshop will bring together nonprofit and business leaders from the Ely area to share our missions, collaborate on future plans, and strengthen our community fabric. One key agenda item is aligning event calendars to better synchronize efforts and amplify our collective impact.*

*The workshop will take place on **Monday, November 18th, from 9 AM to 4 PM**. We also invite you to join us at the next Ely Cultural Alliance meeting on **November 19th from 5 PM to 6 PM**, where you can meet the leaders who are championing Ely's arts and culture. Your presence at these events would not only show your commitment to our town's future but also celebrate the vibrant community we're all working to build.*

Thank you for your continued support of Ely's cultural initiatives.

Sincerely,

Ian Francis Lah – Northern Lakes Arts Association

Lucy Soderstrom – Ely Folk School

Liz Engelman – Tofte Lake Center

Freja Alioth – Listening Point Foundation

Jess Edberg – Dorothy Molter Museum

Jacob White – Ely's Historic State Theater

Meeting Minutes - Library

October 2, 2024

Present: Todd Crego, Scott King, Madeline Olson, Dave O'Donnell, Hudson Kingston and Library Director Rachel Heinrich

Absent: Jordyn Stocks, Tom Conaway

1. Meeting called to order at 5:30 by Todd Crego.
2. Minutes of the September 4, 2024 regular meeting. Motion to accept as written: (DO/HK).
Motion passed.

3. Old Business:

- a. Tabled Foundation discussion until next month.
- b. Carpet update: Moved forward with the lower bid. Proposing to schedule a library closure Nov 15 & 18. Plan to be closed Friday Nov 15 to move materials with public works. Saturday Nov 16 the carpet will be installed. On Monday, the library will need to be closed to move materials back to their original location. Motion to approve library closure on the above dates (DO/MO).
- c. Collection Development Policy: Discussed the need to update the materials selection policy and the requirement from the Arrowhead Library System to include the Library Bill of Rights & the Freedom to Read Statement. Will discuss modifications to the policy in December, with time to review the policies following next month's meeting.

4. New Business:

- a. ARSL reports: Rachel discussed everyone's main takeaways from the ARSL conference - the exciting ideas and things to consider for future policies.
- b. Patrons and technology: Discussed the need for a waiver if a patron requests technological assistance and will be sharing personal information. Rachel will prepare a draft of this waiver for our perusal.
- c. Video auditors: Viewed a video shared with Rachel at ARSL. Determined a new policy is needed or adjust the disruptive behavior to accommodate for such an event.

5. Librarian's Report:

- a. Upcoming programming:
 - i. Wild Wild West Murder Mystery Event coming up
 - ii. Looking at programming going into January considering ideas generated at ARSL.

6. Additions: No additions.

7. Meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Next scheduled meeting November 6, 2024 @ 5:30 pm

Range Association of Municipalities & Schools

Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 27, 2024 – 6:15 P.M.

Northeast Service Coop Building

President Pat Medure called the meeting to order at 6:15 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); Dan Geotte (City of Aurora); Matt Grose (ISD 318 Grand Rapids); Shane Hoff (City of Silver Bay); Paul Kess (City of Ely); Julie Lucas (French Township); Phil Medure (Great Scott Township); Ron Pittman (Cherry Township); John Tuorila (City of Calumet); Warren Stolp (Nashwauk Township);** Dr Rae Villebrun (ISD 319 Nashwauk/Keewatin Supt Assn); Catherine Niemi (City of Biwabik)

Absent: ISD 2412 St Louis County Schools; ISD 2711 Mesabi East; City of Nashwauk

Also Present: **Paul Peltier, Executive Director; Kristen Kranz, RAMS Admin Assistant; Rep Roger Skraba; Several representatives from RAMS Membership**

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

Call to Order:

President Medure called the meeting to order at 6:15pm.

Review and Approve Agenda:

The agenda was reviewed. A motion to approve the agenda was made by Kalmi and supported by Adams. Motion carried.

Approve Meeting Minutes:

A motion to approve the regular meeting minutes from May 23, 2024, was made by Pittman and supported by Grose. Motion carried.

Finance Committee Report:

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

1. Expenditures for May 22 – June 24, 2024, totaling \$12,989.40.
2. Profit and Loss Budget vs Actual is 53.7%.
3. Balance Sheet as of June 24, 2024, is \$ 445,016.94.

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

Appearance:

Representative Roger Skraba (3A) joined the RAMS Board to give his update on the recent legislative session. Rep Skraba noted that a bonding bill did not make it this year. He has voted against his party's recommendation when it involves projects in his district. Rep Skraba hopes for more bipartisanship in the future, saying it is possible. He also noted that RAMS is a unique group in Minnesota, nothing else like it in the state.

Director's Report:

Executive Director Peltier gave an update on his activities in June. Peltier discussed permitting reform (MPCA (Minnesota Pollution Control Agency)), weekly housing meet-up meetings (MN Housing Finance Agency officials), Office of Broadband meeting, NRRI (RAMS Board will do a tour in July or August), Tyler v. Hennepin lunch and learns, brown fields, RAMS was awarded a \$15K Blanden Leadership Grant.

Old Business:

- A motion to rescind the Letter of Support for Mesabi Metallica was made by Hoff and supported by Friedlieb. Those who voted in the affirmative were Anderson, Friedlieb, Goette, Hoff, Lucas, and Pittman. Those who voted in the negative were Pat Medure, Kalmi, Adams, Berrini, Davies, Grose, Kess, Phil Medure, Stolp, Tuorila, Villebrun, and Niemi. Fisher abstained. The motion failed 12-6.

New Business:

- Discussion was held on the 2023 Audit performed by Fort & Co. A motion to accept the 2023 Audit report was made by Berrini and supported by Stolp. Motion carried.
- Discussion was held on a Letter of Support for Malissa Bahr, school board representative, for the Energy Transition Advisory Committee. A motion to send a Letter of Support was made by Kalmi and supported by Lucas. Motion carried.
- The RAMS Board had six nominees to consider for filling two vacancies (one 6-month term ending on 12-31-24 and one 18-month term ending on 12-31-25).
 - A motion to nominate Cheyenne Mikkola-Rahja for the 6-month term was made by Adams and supported by Pittman. A motion to nominate Justin Fosso for the 6-month term was made by Kalmi and supported by Friedlieb. A motion to nominate Stuart Beauregard for the 6-month term was made by Hoff and supported by Grose. With a vote of hands, Mikkola-Rahja received the most votes with nine. A motion to appoint Mikkola-Rahja to the 6-month term was made by Kess and supported by Fisher. Motion carried.
 - A motion to nominate Cathy Erickson for the 18-month term was made by Stolp and supported by Fisher. A motion to nominate Justin Fosso for the 18-month term was made by Kalmi and supported by Tuorila. With a vote of hands, Erickson received the most votes with

eighteen. A motion to appoint Erickson to the 18-month term was made by Berrini and supported by Friedlieb. Motion carried

Board Member Updates:

- Kess: Ely is having a 100-year Anniversary Celebration of the high school with an All-Class Reunion over the 4th of July.
- Adams: Grand Rapids is building affordable “starter homes.” The city will own the land which will keep the price low. Regarding Legionnaires in Grand Rapids, the city started to chlorinate the water on Monday. The city has spent \$700K in consulting fees due to the Legionnaires.
- Berrini: Morse Township was able to get three roads blacktopped with last year’s prices.

Other:

Member Floor Privileges:

Next Meeting:

The next RAMS Board Meeting will be held on September 26, 2024, at 6:00pm, at the Northeast Service Cooperative Building.

Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50PM.

Save the Date: October 18, 2024

Banks, Patti J <PBanks@ebch.org>

Fri, Oct 11, 2024 at 12:29 PM

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Following up from this email sent last week.

EBCH Northeast Regional Ambulance Initiative Next Steps Meeting

Friday, October 18, 2024

2:00 PM

Grand Ely Lodge

Bear's Den

Patti Banks

CEO

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Ely-Bloomenson
Community Hospital

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2024
3% tax collected

MONTH	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
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FEBRUARY	6,393.43	8,963.31	8,768.87	8,240.06	8,361.63	8,374.66	9,273.68	5,572.70	10,315.98	8,245.23	6,084.20
MARCH	4,811.02	5,902.63	5,519.62	6,231.82	5,791.10	5,720.10	3,432.24	4,873.64	7,413.61	6,741.50	3,996.93
APRIL	4,303.01	4,922.44	3,800.97	5,715.78	4,354.65	5,167.32	1,772.53	5,950.63	6,939.28	5,514.03	5,961.54
MAY	16,335.39	20,363.35	22,502.13	19,267.09	21,668.56	20,656.29	14,135.91	16,113.67	14,257.70	14,265.68	16,011.97
JUNE	53,239.53	44,164.58	46,629.51	48,501.33	56,202.54	54,267.57	47,119.94	33,531.78	31,578.76	30,115.15	28,308.16
JULY	65,468.95	69,043.21	69,607.08	72,383.68	72,122.39	67,288.85	68,075.27	43,509.25	40,818.45	41,574.58	32,571.45
AUGUST	64,576.55	65,220.15	62,533.93	62,112.45	69,246.75	66,556.86	71,198.39	38,571.14	39,263.15	40,380.04	-
SEPTEMBER	33,381.03	36,384.50	38,076.84	39,711.65	42,340.84	38,028.36	49,308.11	32,792.19	30,958.47	32,160.60	-
OCTOBER	9,571.65	11,350.92	11,110.43	11,199.13	10,904.16	10,814.38	9,889.95	11,895.42	10,281.62	10,256.84	-
NOVEMBER	3,559.94	3,435.08	4,447.78	3,836.27	3,346.55	3,379.48	2,575.37	3,407.20	4,709.19	4,518.69	-
DECEMBER	4,410.31	3,839.60	4,612.27	3,966.05	5,087.09	4,589.97	2,387.90	4,139.47	5,384.14	4,530.99	-
Lodging Tax Revenue	271,663.01	280,304.87	284,036.68	286,615.15	306,049.14	291,384.71	285,759.66	205,257.04	209,030.62	205,281.20	98,446.49
January - July 2024	156,163.53	160,074.62	163,255.43	165,789.60	175,123.75	168,015.66	150,399.94	114,451.62	118,434.05	113,434.04	98,446.49
2024		2.5%	2.0%	1.6%	5.6%	-4.1%	-10.5%	-23.9%	3.5%	-4.2%	-13.2%

Ely Lodging tax comparison

*Starting in October 2020, Lake County started collecting lodging tax



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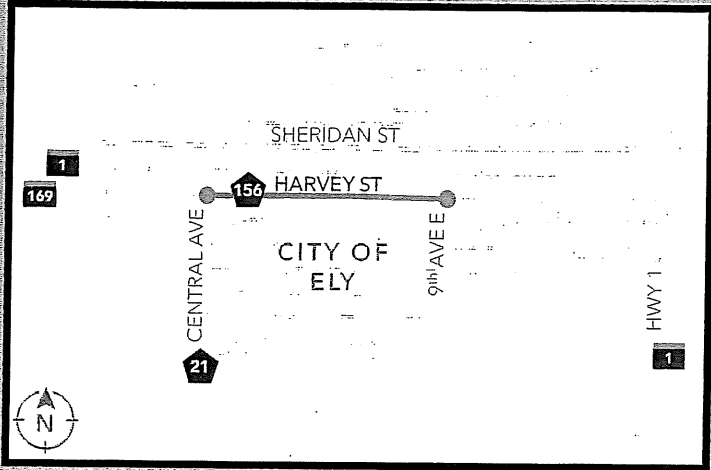
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Ely City Hall
209 E Chapman St, Ely MN

Monday, October 28, 2024

6:00 PM

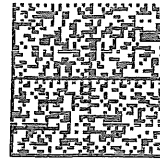
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Reconstruction Project

**City of Ely
Bills List for Council Meeting on
10/1/2024**

Sept Gen Gov Bills List	164,337.14
Sept Enterprise Bills List	59,284.93
Oct Gen Gov Bills List	3,648.65
Oct Enterprise Bills List	-
	<u>\$ 227,270.72</u>

Check Issue Date	Check Number	Payee	Amount	Description
09/30/2024	69089	SHORT ELLIOTT HENDRICKSON, IN	4,182.50-	ATV TRAIL
09/30/2024	69145	SHORT ELLIOTT HENDRICKSON, IN	10,650.00-	ATV TRAIL
09/30/2024	69223	SHORT ELLIOTT HENDRICKSON, IN	557.70-	ATV TRAIL
09/30/2024	69501	EUC -WATER & LIGHT DEPT	18,579.56	UTILITIES
10/02/2024	69502	1ST AYD CORPORATION	151.34	OPERATING SUPPLY
10/02/2024	69503	AFSCME COUNCIL 65	1,517.00	
10/02/2024	69504	ANSWERLIVE LLC	149.35	TELEPHONES
10/02/2024	69505	ARROWHEAD LIBRARY SYSTEM	500.00	AUDIP/MISUAL
10/02/2024	69506	BON APPETIT	24.00	DUES/SUBS
10/02/2024	69507	BRAUN INTERTEC CORPORATION	.00	TRAILHEAD
10/02/2024	69508	CERTIFIED LABORATORIES	274.95	CHEM/CHEM PRODUCTS
10/02/2024	69509	DIRT CANDY DESIGNS	1,325.13	HIDDEN VALLEY
10/02/2024	69510	DIRTY DOG MANUFACTURING, LLC	25.00	OPERATING SUPPLY
10/02/2024	69511	DULUTH NEWS TRIBUNE	294.20	DUES/SUBS
10/02/2024	69512	ELY ECHO	50.00	DUES/SUBS
10/02/2024	69513	ENVISIONWARE, INC	399.38	COMPUTERS
10/02/2024	69514	FERGUSON WATERWORKS #2518	918.48	DISTRIBUTION
10/02/2024	69515	FIRE SAFETY USA, INC	490.00	VECH MAIN
10/02/2024	69516	FOREST CONCRETE PRODUCTS	209.00	SIDEWALKS/CURBS
10/02/2024	69518	G MEN	1,900.00	DEMOS
10/02/2024	69519	GRAINGER	225.03	OPERATING SUPPLY
10/02/2024	69520	HAWKINS INC.	.00	CHEM/CHEM PRODUCTS
10/02/2024	69521	INSTITUTE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL A	360.00	TRAILHEAD
10/02/2024	69522	JAMAR COMPANY	511.00	REPAIR/MAIN SUPPLY
10/02/2024	69523	JOE'S MARINE & REPAIR INC	110.68	OPERATING SUPPLY
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10/02/2024	69525	KJ'S TRUE VALUE	5,190.31	CIP
10/02/2024	69526	LAKE COUNTRY POWER	1,252.23	STREET LIGHTING
10/02/2024	69527	LEAGUE OF MINN CITIES	30.00	TRAVEL/TRAINING
10/02/2024	69528	MATHER RECYCLING	200.00	TOWING
10/02/2024	69529	MN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES ASSN	984.38	PRO. SERVICES
10/02/2024	69530	MOTOROLA	6,433.20	
10/02/2024	69531	MVTL LABORATORIES	222.00	WATER TESTS
10/02/2024	69532	NORTH CENTRAL LABORATORIES	422.95	WATER TESTS
10/02/2024	69533	OJ'S HVAC & REFRIGERATION	478.00	REPAIRS/MAIN SUPPLY
10/02/2024	69534	PSYCHOLOGY TODAY	19.97	DUES/SUBS
10/02/2024	69535	QUILL CORPORATION	690.89	OPERATING SUPPLY
10/02/2024	69536	SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN	59.99	DUES/SUBS
10/02/2024	69537	SUMMIT COMPANIES	6,080.00	
10/02/2024	69538	TASC	66.00	
10/02/2024	69539	VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	954.98	
10/02/2024	69540	VOYAGEUR LUMBER	790.86	OPERATING SUPPLY
10/02/2024	69541	BRAUN INTERTEC CORPORATION	3,642.50	TRAILHEAD
10/02/2024	69542	CARLSON, DEANN	10,000.00	
10/02/2024	69543	DEXTER, INC	12,000.00	
10/02/2024	69544	HAWKINS INC.	9,168.27	
10/02/2024	69545	IVANCICH, KELSEY	10,000.00	
09/30/2024	105418	SHORT ELLIOTT HENDRICKSON, IN	11,796.75-	
09/27/2024	105599	SHUSTA, MICHAEL	500.00	PRO. SERVICES
09/30/2024	105600	SHORT ELLIOTT HENDRICKSON, IN	27,186.95	ATV TRAIL
09/30/2024	105601	CTC	250.13	TELEPHONES
09/30/2024	105602	KLUN LAW FIRM P.A.	5,166.66	RETAINTER
09/30/2024	105603	TODD CREGO	1,750.00	CONTRACTED SERVICES
09/30/2024	105604	AT&T MOBILITY	1,224.15	TELEPHONES

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09/30/2024	105605	CTC	1,667.04	TELEPHONES
10/01/2024	105606	J&A ENTERPRISES	18,614.86	CRACK SEALING
10/01/2024	105607	J&L HARDWARE	2,894.32	OPERATING SUPPLY
10/01/2024	105608	LUTHENS, ANDREW	140.00	OPERATING SUPPLY
10/01/2024	105609	J&A ENTERPRISES	13,439.43	PRO. SERVICES
10/10/2024	105610	FIELD OF SEAMS FLOORING, LLC	3,648.65	Library Flooring Materials
09/30/2024	810022401	AFLAC	197.21	AFLAC
09/30/2024	810022402	BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MN	53,123.92	BLUE CROSS
09/30/2024	810022403	HEALTH EQUITY	11,634.41	HEALTH EQUITY
09/30/2024	810022404	STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	1,850.98	STANDARD INSURANCE
09/30/2024	810022405	SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY O	3,179.58	DENTAL
Grand Totals:			<u>227,270.72</u>	

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8 AFLAC			
AFLAC	10/2024	197.21	AFLAC
Total 8 AFLAC:		197.21	
9 AFSCME COUNCIL 65			
AFSCME COUNCIL 65	09/2024	1,517.00	
Total 9 AFSCME COUNCIL 65:		1,517.00	
25 ANSWERLIVE LLC			
ANSWERLIVE LLC	2409030021	37.34	TELEPHONES
ANSWERLIVE LLC	2409030021	37.34	TELEPHONES
ANSWERLIVE LLC	2409030021	37.34	TELEPHONES
ANSWERLIVE LLC	2409030021	37.33	TELEPHONES
Total 25 ANSWERLIVE LLC:		149.35	
32 ARROWHEAD LIBRARY SYSTEM			
ARROWHEAD LIBRARY SYSTEM	00015223	500.00	AUDIP/VISUAL
Total 32 ARROWHEAD LIBRARY SYSTEM:		500.00	
64 BON APPETIT			
BON APPETIT	09/2024 DUE	24.00	DUES/SUBS
Total 64 BON APPETIT:		24.00	
135 DULUTH NEWS TRIBUNE			
DULUTH NEWS TRIBUNE	09/2024 REN	294.20	DUES/SUBS
Total 135 DULUTH NEWS TRIBUNE:		294.20	
152 ELY ECHO			
ELY ECHO	09/2024 LIB	50.00	DUES/SUBS
Total 152 ELY ECHO:		50.00	
181 EUC -WATER & LIGHT DEPT			
EUC -WATER & LIGHT DEPT	09/2024 GEN	1,673.28	UTILITIES
EUC -WATER & LIGHT DEPT	09/2024 GEN	271.24	UTILITIES
EUC -WATER & LIGHT DEPT	09/2024 GEN	105.39	UTILITIES
EUC -WATER & LIGHT DEPT	09/2024 GEN	168.49	UTILITIES
EUC -WATER & LIGHT DEPT	09/2024 GEN	914.94	UTILITIES
EUC -WATER & LIGHT DEPT	09/2024 GEN	271.82	UTILITIES
EUC -WATER & LIGHT DEPT	09/2024 GEN	260.75	UTILITIES
EUC -WATER & LIGHT DEPT	09/2024 ENT	2,566.66	UTILITIES
EUC -WATER & LIGHT DEPT	09/2024 ENT	5,852.53	UTILITIES
EUC -WATER & LIGHT DEPT	09/2024 ENT	6,494.46	UTILITIES
Total 181 EUC -WATER & LIGHT DEPT:		18,579.56	
196 FIRE SAFETY USA, INC			
FIRE SAFETY USA, INC	191952	490.00	VECH MAIN
Total 196 FIRE SAFETY USA, INC:		490.00	

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201 FOREST CONCRETE PRODUCTS			
FOREST CONCRETE PRODUCTS	7238	209.00	SIDEWALKS/CURBS
Total 201 FOREST CONCRETE PRODUCTS:		209.00	
208 G MEN			
G MEN	196235D	900.00	DEMOS
G MEN	196254D	1,000.00	DEMOS
Total 208 G MEN:		1,900.00	
223 GRAINGER			
GRAINGER	9257871591	21.70	OPERATING SUPPLY
GRAINGER	9249526857	145.03	OPERATING SUPPLY
GRAINGER	9250256766	46.24	OPERATING SUPPLY
GRAINGER	9253125604	12.06	OPERATING SUPPLY
Total 223 GRAINGER:		225.03	
234 HAWKINS INC.			
HAWKINS INC.	6863197	40.00	CHEM/CHEM PRODUCTS
HAWKINS INC.	6863197	40.00-	CHEM/CHEM PRODUCTS
HAWKINS INC.	6863188	10.00	CHEM/CHEM PRODUCTS
HAWKINS INC.	6863188	10.00-	CHEM/CHEM PRODUCTS
HAWKINS INC.	6872291	364.29	CHEM/CHEM PRODUCTS
HAWKINS INC.	6872291	364.29-	CHEM/CHEM PRODUCTS
HAWKINS INC.	6873659	899.19	CHEM/CHEM PRODUCTS
HAWKINS INC.	6873659	899.19-	CHEM/CHEM PRODUCTS
HAWKINS INC.	6873660	7,854.79	CHEM/CHEM PRODUCTS
HAWKINS INC.	6873660	7,854.79-	CHEM/CHEM PRODUCTS
HAWKINS INC.	6863188 #2	10.00	CHEM/CHEM PRODUCTS
HAWKINS INC.	6863197 #2	40.00	
HAWKINS INC.	6872291 #2	364.29	
HAWKINS INC.	6873659 #2	899.19	
HAWKINS INC.	6873660 #2	7,854.79	
Total 234 HAWKINS INC.:		9,168.27	
237 HEALTH EQUITY			
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	1,500.00	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	565.88	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	150.31	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	2,287.50	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	27.63	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	2,600.63	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	843.75	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	1,180.31	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	1,180.31	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	1,196.62	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	7.52	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	3.69	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	20.95	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	.72	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	26.11	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	8.85	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	9.24	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	9.24	HEALTH EQUITY
HEALTH EQUITY	10/2024	15.15	HEALTH EQUITY

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Total 237 HEALTH EQUITY:		11,634.41	
269 J&A ENTERPRISES			
J&A ENTERPRISES	09/2024	3,900.00	CONTRACTED SERVICES
J&A ENTERPRISES	09/2024	7,107.43	FLOWAGE FEE
J&A ENTERPRISES	09/2024	2,432.00	PRO. SERVICES
J&A ENTERPRISES	09/17/2024	18,614.86	CRACK SEALING
Total 269 J&A ENTERPRISES:		32,054.29	
270 J&L HARDWARE			
J&L HARDWARE	2408-786784	24.98	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-786808	50.98	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-786821	13.49	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-786971	68.00	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-786988	2.28	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-787004	17.99	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-787004	17.99	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-787004	17.99	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-787034	287.39	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-787320	2.99	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-787372	17.78	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-788639	13.96	COLLECTIONS
J&L HARDWARE	2408-788773	104.01	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-788959	475.48	MINOR EQUIP
J&L HARDWARE	2408-788964	23.99	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-788972	75.69	COLLECTIONS
J&L HARDWARE	2408-789034	7.94	COLLECTIONS
J&L HARDWARE	2408-789042	15.24	ELECTION
J&L HARDWARE	2408-789114	25.94	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-789164	47.79	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-789177	49.55	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-789186	19.98	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-789339	27.97	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-789421	12.49	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-789538	5.16	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-789538	5.16	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-789538	5.17	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-789580	15.49	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-790165	13.98	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-790987	70.98	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-791539	65.97	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-791651	10.99	ELEC LINE EQUIP
J&L HARDWARE	2408-791812	1.04	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-791819	164.45	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-791851	18.95	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-791906	11.99	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-792524	57.58	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-792525	11.99	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-792780	6.99	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-792789	44.99	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-792790	18.99	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-793334	45.11	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-793464	20.97	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-793805	4.98	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-793806	40.99	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-793833	20.97	OPERATING SUPPLY

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J&L HARDWARE	2408-793869	23.95	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-793957	7.49	OPERATNIG SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-793957	7.49	OPERATNIG SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-793957	7.50	OPERATNIG SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-794115	25.99	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-794266	10.99	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-795438	12.49	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-795438	22.98	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-795511	50.93	COLLECTIONS
J&L HARDWARE	2408-795545	4.78	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-795545	4.78	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-795545	4.78	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-795556	22.08	OPERATNIG SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-795885	295.94	
J&L HARDWARE	2408-796124	72.99	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-796210	29.99	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-796391	65.12	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-796418	10.99	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-796450	4.38	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-796483	43.96	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-796604	10.95	OPERATING SUPPLY
J&L HARDWARE	2408-796692	32.99	
J&L HARDWARE	2408-787914	66.98	OPERATING SUPPLY
Total 270 J&L HARDWARE:		2,894.32	
278 JOE'S MARINE & REPAIR INC			
JOE'S MARINE & REPAIR INC	009334	54.80	REPAIRS/MAIN SUPPLY
JOE'S MARINE & REPAIR INC	009289	55.88	OPERATING SUPPLY
Total 278 JOE'S MARINE & REPAIR INC:		110.68	
282 JPJ ENGINEERING INC			
JPJ ENGINEERING INC	23-240 #1	9,600.00	CONAN&9TH
JPJ ENGINEERING INC	20-814 #11	835.00	TRAIL HEAD
JPJ ENGINEERING INC	22-129 #12	853.75	EAST END
Total 282 JPJ ENGINEERING INC:		11,288.75	
293 KLUN LAW FIRM P.A.			
KLUN LAW FIRM P.A.	10500-35239	750.00	RETAINER
KLUN LAW FIRM P.A.	10500-35239	4,416.66	RETAINER
Total 293 KLUN LAW FIRM P.A.:		5,166.66	
306 LAKE COUNTRY POWER			
LAKE COUNTRY POWER	142838101 0	507.23	UTILITIES
LAKE COUNTRY POWER	2130600 09/	658.00	UTILITIES
LAKE COUNTRY POWER	2528100 08/	87.00	STREET LIGHTING
Total 306 LAKE COUNTRY POWER:		1,252.23	
316 LEAGUE OF MINN CITIES			
LEAGUE OF MINN CITIES	412102	30.00	TRAVEL/TRAINING
Total 316 LEAGUE OF MINN CITIES:		30.00	

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384 MN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES ASSN			
MN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES ASSN	64512	984.38	PRO. SERVICES
Total 384 MN MUNICIPAL UTILITIES ASSN:		984.38	
410 MVTL LABORATORIES			
MVTL LABORATORIES	1271416	222.00	WATER TESTS
Total 410 MVTL LABORATORIES:		222.00	
430 NORTH CENTRAL LABORATORIES			
NORTH CENTRAL LABORATORIES	508779	422.95	WATER TESTS
Total 430 NORTH CENTRAL LABORATORIES:		422.95	
495 PSYCHOLOGY TODAY			
PSYCHOLOGY TODAY	09/2024 REN	19.97	DUES/SUBS
Total 495 PSYCHOLOGY TODAY:		19.97	
500 QUILL CORPORATION			
QUILL CORPORATION	40197877	643.71	OPERATING SUPPLY
QUILL CORPORATION	40186237	47.18	OPERATING SUPPLY
Total 500 QUILL CORPORATION:		690.89	
541 SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN			
SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN	09/2024 REN	59.99	DUES/SUBS
Total 541 SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN:		59.99	
550 SHUSTA, MICHAEL			
SHUSTA, MICHAEL	08/2024	250.00	PRO. SERVICES
SHUSTA, MICHAEL	08/2024	250.00	PRO. SERVICES
Total 550 SHUSTA, MICHAEL:		500.00	
575 STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY			
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	237.45	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	25.70	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	12.60	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	56.45	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	2.47	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	89.21	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	30.24	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	31.92	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	31.92	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	92.41	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	103.97	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	40.45	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	295.98	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	7.83	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	277.31	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	106.73	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	107.01	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	107.01	STANDARD INSURANCE
STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY	10/2024	194.32	STANDARD INSURANCE

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Total 575 STANDARD INSURANCE COMPANY:		1,850.98	
641 VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES			
VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	30055	120.00	
VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	30109	14.00	COMPUTERS
VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	30109	318.00	COMPUTERS
VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	30109	14.00	COMPUTERS
VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	30109	20.00	COMPUTERS
VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	30109	62.00	COMPUTERS
VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	30109	14.00	COMPUTERS
VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	30109	47.00	COMPUTERS
VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	30109	20.00	COMPUTERS
VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	30109	28.32	COMPUTERS
VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	30109	28.32	COMPUTERS
VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	30109	128.36	COMPUTERS
VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	30109	28.00	COMPUTERS
VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	30089	37.66	OPERATING SUPPLY
VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	30089	37.66	OPERATING SUPPLY
VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES	30089	37.66	OPERATING SUPPLY
Total 641 VOLTZ TECHNOLOGIES:		954.98	
642 VOYAGEUR LUMBER			
VOYAGEUR LUMBER	2408-578706	7.09	SIDEWALKS/CURBS
VOYAGEUR LUMBER	2409-579587	8.18	OPERATING SUPPLY
VOYAGEUR LUMBER	2409-579768	20.92	OERPATING SUPPLY
VOYAGEUR LUMBER	2409-579812	492.94	
VOYAGEUR LUMBER	2409-579816	44.66	REPAIR/MAIN SUPPLY
VOYAGEUR LUMBER	2409-579826	42.50	
VOYAGEUR LUMBER	2409-580607	116.38	DISTRIBUTION
VOYAGEUR LUMBER	2409-580824	58.19	DISTRIBUTION
Total 642 VOYAGEUR LUMBER:		790.86	
812 MOTOROLA			
MOTOROLA	1162406800	6,433.20	
Total 812 MOTOROLA:		6,433.20	
864 BRAUN INTERTEC CORPORATION			
BRAUN INTERTEC CORPORATION	B401073	3,642.50	TRAILHEAD
BRAUN INTERTEC CORPORATION	B401073	3,642.50	TRAILHEAD
BRAUN INTERTEC CORPORATION	B401073 #2	3,642.50	TRAILHEAD
Total 864 BRAUN INTERTEC CORPORATION:		3,642.50	
945 AT&T MOBILITY			
AT&T MOBILITY	4550 09/202	105.93	TELEPHONES
AT&T MOBILITY	4550 09/202	46.36	TELEPHONES
AT&T MOBILITY	4550 09/202	435.18	TELEPHONES
AT&T MOBILITY	4550 09/202	78.57	TELEPHONES
AT&T MOBILITY	4550 09/202	7.25	TELEPHONES
AT&T MOBILITY	4550 09/202	116.99	TELEPHONES
AT&T MOBILITY	4550 09/202	238.49	TELEPHONES
AT&T MOBILITY	4550 09/202	195.38	TELEPHONES

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Total 945 AT&T MOBILITY:		1,224.15	
1075 CERTIFIED LABORATORIES			
CERTIFIED LABORATORIES	8855455	274.95	CHEM/CHEM PRODUCTS
Total 1075 CERTIFIED LABORATORIES:		274.95	
1083 LUTHENS, ANDREW			
LUTHENS, ANDREW	09/23/2024	140.00	OPERATING SUPPLY
Total 1083 LUTHENS, ANDREW:		140.00	
1084 SUMMIT COMPANIES			
SUMMIT COMPANIES	2544491	2,711.00	
SUMMIT COMPANIES	155006095	475.00	REPAIRS/MAIN
SUMMIT COMPANIES	155006085	324.50	
SUMMIT COMPANIES	155006090	244.00	
SUMMIT COMPANIES	155006082	326.50	
SUMMIT COMPANIES	155006083	449.00	
SUMMIT COMPANIES	155006084	341.00	
SUMMIT COMPANIES	155006088	80.00	
SUMMIT COMPANIES	155006097	272.50	
SUMMIT COMPANIES	155006087	244.00	
SUMMIT COMPANIES	155006089	112.50	
SUMMIT COMPANIES	155006086	258.00	
SUMMIT COMPANIES	155006096	80.00	
SUMMIT COMPANIES	155006094	162.00	
Total 1084 SUMMIT COMPANIES:		6,080.00	
1159 TASC			
TASC	IN3220469	66.00	
Total 1159 TASC:		66.00	
1200 JAMAR COMPANY			
JAMAR COMPANY	JAM021376	511.00	REPAIR/MAIN SUPPLY
Total 1200 JAMAR COMPANY:		511.00	
1201 TODD CREGO			
TODD CREGO	09/2024	1,750.00	CONTRACTED SERVICES
Total 1201 TODD CREGO:		1,750.00	
1214 OJ'S HVAC & REFRIGERATION			
OJ'S HVAC & REFRIGERATION	2658	478.00	REPAIRS/MAIN SUPPLY
Total 1214 OJ'S HVAC & REFRIGERATION:		478.00	
1236 DIRT CANDY DESIGNS			
DIRT CANDY DESIGNS	924	1,325.13	HIDDEN VALLEY
Total 1236 DIRT CANDY DESIGNS:		1,325.13	
1305 1ST AYD CORPORATION			
1ST AYD CORPORATION	PSI727633	151.34	OPERATING SUPPLY

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Total 1305 1ST AYD CORPORATION:		151.34	
1319 SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA			
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA	10/2024	70.80	DENTAL
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA	10/2024	159.79	DENTAL
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA	10/2024	102.20	DENTAL
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA	10/2024	480.15	DENTAL
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA	10/2024	942.87	DENTAL
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA	10/2024	20.49	DENTAL
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA	10/2024	254.22	DENTAL
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA	10/2024	313.40	DENTAL
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA	10/2024	313.40	DENTAL
SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA	10/2024	522.26	DENTAL
Total 1319 SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF CANADA:		3,179.58	
1328 CTC			
CTC	21444851 09	69.12	TELEPHONES
CTC	21444851 09	181.01	TELEPHONES
CTC	6833 09/202	22.75	TELEPHONES
CTC	6833 09/202	748.02	TELEPHONES
CTC	6833 09/202	38.48	TELEPHONES
CTC	6833 09/202	329.02	TELEPHONES
CTC	6833 09/202	38.48	TELEPHONES
CTC	6833 09/202	61.23	TELEPHONES
CTC	6833 09/202	234.45	TELEPHONES
CTC	6833 09/202	54.67	TELEPHONES
CTC	6833 09/202	54.67	TELEPHONES
CTC	6833 09/202	85.27	TELEPHONES
Total 1328 CTC:		1,917.17	
1405 FERGUSON WATERWORKS #2518			
FERGUSON WATERWORKS #2518	0537156	298.28	DISTRIBUTION
FERGUSON WATERWORKS #2518	0537068	480.16	DISTRIBUTION
FERGUSON WATERWORKS #2518	0537108	140.04	DISTRIBUTION
Total 1405 FERGUSON WATERWORKS #2518:		918.48	
1507 DIRTY DOG MANUFACTURING, LLC			
DIRTY DOG MANUFACTURING, LLC	N26714	25.00	OPERATING SUPPLY
Total 1507 DIRTY DOG MANUFACTURING, LLC:		25.00	
1519 INSTITUTE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT			
INSTITUTE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT	00054388	360.00	TRAILHEAD
Total 1519 INSTITUTE FOR ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT:		360.00	
1524 MATHER RECYCLING			
MATHER RECYCLING	1980	200.00	TOWING
Total 1524 MATHER RECYCLING:		200.00	
1548 ENVISIONWARE, INC			
ENVISIONWARE, INC	INV-US-7241	399.38	COMPUTERS

Name	Invoice	Total Cost	Description
Total 1548 ENVISIONWARE, INC:		399.38	
1590 FIELD OF SEAMS FLOORING, LLC			
FIELD OF SEAMS FLOORING, LLC	100924	3,648.65	Library Flooring Materials
Total 1590 FIELD OF SEAMS FLOORING, LLC:		3,648.65	
1671 BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MN			
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MN	10/2024	1,384.30	BLUE CROSS
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MN	10/2024	4,145.73	BLUE CROSS
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MN	10/2024	2,693.58	BLUE CROSS
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MN	10/2024	1,979.36	BLUE CROSS
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MN	10/2024	9,244.15	BLUE CROSS
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MN	10/2024	10,779.43	BLUE CROSS
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MN	10/2024	344.09	BLUE CROSS
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MN	10/2024	5,925.71	BLUE CROSS
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MN	10/2024	4,644.73	BLUE CROSS
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MN	10/2024	4,644.73	BLUE CROSS
BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MN	10/2024	7,338.11	BLUE CROSS
Total 1671 BLUE CROSS BLUE SHIELD OF MN:		53,123.92	
1718 KJ'S TRUE VALUE			
KJ'S TRUE VALUE	10/01/2024 C	5,190.31	CIP
Total 1718 KJ'S TRUE VALUE:		5,190.31	
1719 CARLSON, DEANN			
CARLSON, DEANN	09/2024 LOA	10,000.00	
Total 1719 CARLSON, DEANN:		10,000.00	
1720 IVANCICH, KELSEY			
IVANCICH, KELSEY	09/2024 LOA	10,000.00	
Total 1720 IVANCICH, KELSEY:		10,000.00	
1721 DEXTER, INC			
DEXTER, INC	09/2024 LOA	12,000.00	
Total 1721 DEXTER, INC:		12,000.00	
Grand Totals:		227,270.72	

Report GL Period Summary

Vendor number hash:	0
Vendor number hash - split:	0
Total number of invoices:	0
Total number of transactions:	0

CITY OF ELY

**RESOLUTION MAKING LEVY AND ASSESSMENT AGAINST TAXABLE
PROPERTIES FOR DELINQUENT BLIGHT VIOLATIONS**

WHEREAS, pursuant to City of Ely Code Section 10.22, the City Clerk-Treasurer has prepared the Assessment Roll for delinquent Blight Violations associated with blighted property through September 1, 2024.

WHEREAS, the individuals responsible for the payment of such accounts have been duly notified of the intent of the City to certify such accounts to the County Auditor to be paid with real estate taxes on the property serviced payable in 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has met, heard and passed upon all objection of the proposed assessment roll for the delinquent Blight Violations for 2024, and made amendments to the assessment roll as it deemed just and reasonable under the circumstances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED, by the City Council of the City of Ely, as follows:

1. Such proposed assessment, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and made a part hereof, is hereby accepted and shall constitute an assessment against the lands named therein.
2. Such assessments are to be paid in full with general taxes for the year 2024, collectable with the taxes of 2025.
3. The City Clerk shall forthwith transmit a certified duplicate copy of this assessment to the County Auditor to be extended on the tax list of the County.

Upon vote taken thereon, the following voted:

For:

Against:

THIS RESOLUTION IS HEREBY ADOPTED, by the City Council of the City of Ely and the undersigned Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer hereby certify the adoption of said Order.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Mayor and Clerk-Treasurer execute this Resolution this 15th day of October, 2024.

CITY OF ELY:

Heidi Omeza, Mayor

Harold Langowski, City Clerk-Treasurer

STATE OF MINNESOTA }
COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS } ss.

This instrument was acknowledged before me this 15th day of October, 2024 by, the Heidi Omerza the Mayor and Harold Langowski the City Clerk-Treasurer, respectively of the City of Ely, a municipal corporation, St. Louis County, Minnesota, on behalf of the Authority.

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Notary Public

Assessment Roll for Resolution 2024-038
Exhibit A

1. Louie Champa Parcel #030-0352-00370 \$2121.80
1237 E Sheridan St - Water Leak Repair

2. Donald and Kristen Krings Parcel #030-0260-01630 \$2946.37
109 W Conan St - Blight Clean-Up

CITY OF ELY

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO DEED FOR THE
CLEANUP OF THE DEPOT SITE**

BE IT RESOLVED that the **City of Ely** has approved the Contamination Cleanup grant application submitted to the Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) on November 1, 2024, by the City of Ely for the Ely Depot and Rail Yard Revitalization site.

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Ely act as the legal sponsor for project(s) contained in the Contamination Cleanup Grant Program to be submitted on November 1, 2024 and that Harold R Langowski is hereby authorized to apply to the Department of Employment and Economic Development for funding of this project on behalf of the City of Ely

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Ely has the legal authority to apply for financial assistance, and the institutional, managerial, and financial capability to ensure adequate project administration.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sources and amounts of the local match identified in the application are committed to the project identified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Ely has not violated any Federal, State or local laws pertaining to fraud, bribery, graft, kickbacks, collusion, conflict of interest or other unlawful or corrupt practice.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon approval of its application by the state, City of Ely may enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota for the above-referenced project(s), and that the City of Ely certifies that it will comply with all applicable laws and regulation as stated in all contract agreements.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Clerk, are hereby authorized to execute such agreements as are necessary to implement the project on behalf of the applicant.

Upon vote taken thereon, the following voted:

For:

Against:

Whereupon said Resolution No. 2024-039 was declared duly passed and adopted this 15th day of October, 2024.

Heidi Omerza, Mayor

Harold R Langowski, Clerk/Treasurer

CITY OF ELY

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION TO DEED FOR THE
INVESTIGATION OF CONTAMINATION OF THE DEPOT SITE**

BE IT RESOLVED that the **City of Ely** has approved the Investigation Grant Application submitted to the Department of Employment and Economic Development (DEED) on November 1, 2024, by the City of Ely for the Ely Depot and Rail Yard Revitalization site.

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Ely act as the legal sponsor for project(s) contained in the Investigation Grant Program to be submitted on November 1, 2024 and that Harold R Langowski is hereby authorized to apply to the Department of Employment and Economic Development for funding of this project on behalf of the City of Ely

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Ely has the legal authority to apply for financial assistance, and the institutional, managerial, and financial capability to ensure adequate project administration.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sources and amounts of the local match identified in the application are committed to the project identified.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City of Ely has not violated any Federal, State or local laws pertaining to fraud, bribery, graft, kickbacks, collusion, conflict of interest or other unlawful or corrupt practice.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that upon approval of its application by the state, City of Ely may enter into an agreement with the State of Minnesota for the above-referenced project(s), and that the City of Ely certifies that it will comply with all applicable laws and regulation as stated in all contract agreements.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Clerk, are hereby authorized to execute such agreements as are necessary to implement the project on behalf of the applicant.

Upon vote taken thereon, the following voted:

For:

Against:

Whereupon said Resolution No. 2024-040 was declared duly passed and adopted this 15th day of October, 2024.

Heidi Omerza, Mayor

Harold R Langowski, Clerk/Treasurer