

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CALEDONIA CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
CALEDONIA, MINNESOTA
December 9, 2024

CALL TO ORDER: Following due call and notice thereof, Mayor DeWayne “Tank” Schroeder called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Mayor Schroeder led the Council, City staff, and visitors in stating the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: Council members present: Member Ryan Stenzel, Member Robert “Bob” Klug, Member Amanda Ninneman, and Member Dave Fitzpatrick, and Mayor Schroeder. Staff present: Jake Dickson, City Clerk/Administrator, Stephanie Mann, Finance Officer, and Casey Klug, Public Works/Zoning Director. Visitors present: Charlene Corson Selbee, *Filmore County Journal*, Gary Kruckow, Mayor-Elect Jeremy Leis.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Member Klug moved to approve the minutes from the November 25, 2024 regular City Council meeting. Motion seconded by Member Ninneman, motion passed unanimously, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CONSENT AGENDA: Member Klug moved to approve the consent agenda. Member Fitzpatrick seconded the motion. Four members voted in favor of the motion and the motion passed. Member Ninneman abstained. The consent agenda comprised the following items:

- a. Approve Regular Payments and Disbursements
- b. Approve Advertisement for Bids for Legal Publishing
- c. Approve Fire Relief Contribution Increase
- d. Approve 2025 Fee Schedule
- e. Approve 2025 Employment Agreement with Police Chief
- f. Approve Salvage Yard Permit at 109 Hi-Way Street
- g. Approve Tobacco License Renewals
- h. Approve Cannabinoid License Renewals
- i. Approve Liquor License Renewals

PUBLIC WORKS/ZONING DIRECTOR: No report.

CITY CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR: No report.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Truth in Taxation Hearing – Resolution 2024-09: Motion made by member Fitzpatrick to close the Regular City Council meeting and open the Public Hearing at 6:06PM. Motion seconded by Member Stenzel, motion passed unanimously. Finance Officer Stephanie Mann introduced the proposed 2025 Budget and Levy. The proposed levy is \$1,397,898 which is an increase of 12% or \$149,775 over 2024. The largest increases to budget items are contractual wage increases and capital outlay

- including computer equipment for multiple departments, tasers/body cameras/squad cameras for the Police Department, a street sweeper, and four planned Public Works projects. No members of the public spoke during the Public Hearing. Motion made by Member Ninneman, seconded by Member Klug, to reopen the regular meeting at 6:28PM. Motion passed unanimously. Motion made by Member Klug, seconded by Member Fitzpatrick, to approve Resolution 2024-09 Adopting Final Levy for Taxes Payable in 2025. Motion passed unanimously, motion carried.
- b. 2025 Non-Represented Employee Pay Rates: City Clerk/Administrator Dickson introduced proposed 2025 pay rates for non-union employees. Dickson proposed a 3% cost of living adjustment in line with the existing union labor contracts. Motion made by Member Ninneman, seconded by Member Klug, to approve the 2025 Non-Represented Employee Pay Rates. Motion passed unanimously.
 - c. Overtime Report Pay Period November 11th through 24th:The City Council reviewed the overtime report and took no action.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. The next regular Council meeting was scheduled for Monday, January 13th at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business before the Council, a motion to adjourn was made by Member Klug, seconded by Member Fitzpatrick. All members present voted in favor of the motion, and the motion was declared carried to adjourn at 6:40PM

Jeremy Leis
Mayor

Jake Dickson
Clerk/Administrator