

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CALEDONIA CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
CALEDONIA, MINNESOTA
February 10th, 2025

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

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

ROLL CALL: Council members present: Mayor Jeremy Leis, Member Amanda Ninneman, Member John Rauk, and Member Dave Fitzpatrick. Members Absent: Bob Klug. Staff present: Jake Dickson, City Clerk/Administrator, and Casey Klug, Public Works/Zoning Director. Visitors present: Charlene Corson Selbee, *Filmore County Journal*, Olivia Schmidt, *Caledonia Argus*, Polly Heberlein, Dianne Schuldt, Laurel Rusert, Tracey Knutson, Bryan Spier, and Kathryn Lamb

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Member Fitzpatrick moved to approve the minutes from the January 27, 2025 regular City Council meeting. Motion seconded by Member Ninneman, motion passed unanimously, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

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

- a. Approve Regular Payments and Disbursements

PUBLIC WORKS/ZONING DIRECTOR: Director Klug updated the City Council on water main breaks, the Wastewater Treatment Plant construction project, and general public works matters.

CITY CLERK/ADMINISTRATOR: City Clerk/Administrator Dickson updated the City Council on the Highway 76/44 Roundabout project, City Day on the Hill, Southeastern Minnesota League of Municipalities meetings, and the Wastewater Treatment Plant construction project.

NEW BUSINESS:

- a. Military Rock: Polly Heberlein, Dianne Schuldt, Laurel Rusert, representing Streetscapes, reintroduced their proposal for the placement of a large military rock. The City Council tabled the issue at the January 27th City Council meeting for more information on placement. City staff reported no issues with placement. Motion made by Member Ninneman, seconded by Member Rauk, to Approve Placing the Military Rock in North Park in a Suitable Location as Agreed upon by the Parks & Recreation Committee. Motion passed unanimously, motion carried.

- b. Approve Entrepreneurial Navigator Hire : City Clerk/Administrator Dickson introduced a proposal to fill the contracted Entrepreneurial Navigator position. Dickson recommended David Carlson for hire. Carlson has 30+ years of experience in tourism, marketing, community development, and economic development. This position is grant funded and will last for one year, after which the position is expected to fund itself. Motion made by Member Fitzpatrick, seconded by Member Rauk, to award David Carlson the Entrepreneurial Navigator position. Motion passed unanimously, motion carried.
- c. Resolution 2025-04 Adopting Houston County's Hazard Mitigation Plan: City Clerk/Administrator Dickson presented a resolution adopting Houston County's hazard mitigation plan. This is a County requirement that is updated every 5 years and has been adopted by the City Council in the past. The City of Caledonia is already following and meeting the requirements of the hazard mitigation plan. Motion made to Approve Resolution 2025-04 by Member Rauk, seconded by Member Fitzpatrick. Motion passed unanimously, motion carried.
- d. Overtime Reports: Pay Periods January 20th through February 2nd: The City Council reviewed the overtime reports and took no action.

OLD BUSINESS:

- a. None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- a. The next regular Council meeting was scheduled for Monday, February 24th at 6:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business before the Council Mayor Leis adjourned the City Council Meeting at 6:41PM

Jeremy Leis
Mayor

Jake Dickson
Clerk/Administrator