

April 18, 2023

An organizational meeting of the Common Council of the City of Eagle River was called to order at 4:47 P.M. by Mayor Jeff Hyslop.

Roll Call: Ron Kressin, Kim Schaffer, Diane Marquardt and Jerry Burkett. Also in attendance: Becky Bolte, Robin Ginner, Cory Hoffmann

Mayor Hyslop, Alderman Kressin, Alderperson Schaffer, Alderman Burkett, and Alderperson Marquardt were all sworn in by Clerk Bolte, beginning their new, two-year terms of office ending 4/2025.

- 1) Designate depositories for City Funds: Incredible Bank, Nicolet Bank, Peoples Bank, Great North Bank: Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to designate Incredible Bank, Nicolet Bank, Peoples Bank, and Great North Bank as depositories for City funds. Carried on a roll call vote, all.
- 2) Designate depositories for Eagle River Light and Water: Peoples Bank, Nicolet Bank, BMO Harris: Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to designate Peoples Bank, Nicolet Bank and BMO Harris as depositories for Eagle River Light and Water funds. Carried on a roll call vote, all.
- 3) Designate official newspaper: Vilas County News Review: Motion by Marquardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaffer to designate Vilas County News Review as the official newspaper for the City. Carried, all
- 4) Designate official radio station: WERL/WRJO: Motion by Kressin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaffer to designate WERL/WRJO as the official radio station for the City. Carried, all
- 5) Appointment of Council President: Schaffer: Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt to appoint Schaffer as Council President. Carried, all
- 6) Committee on Finance Chairman and Members: Mayor Hyslop, Chair/ Schaffer, Kressin, Burkett & Marquardt, Members Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt to appoint Mayor Hyslop Chair and Schaffer, Kressin, Burkett and Marquardt members of the Committee of Finance. Carried, all.
- 7) Committee on Public Works Chairman and Members: Mayor Hyslop, Chair/Burkett & Kressin, Members: Motion by Kressin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt, to appoint Mayor Hyslop Chair, Burkett and Kressin, members to the Committee on Public Works. Carried, all
- 8) Committee on Public Welfare Chairman and Members: Schaffer, Chair/Marquardt & Kressin, Members: Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to appoint Schaffer as Chair, Marquardt and Kressin members to the Committee on Public Welfare. Carried, all
- 9) Dissolution of the Parking Committee: Discussion about the lack of need to continue having a parking committee. Parking meters are no longer used, and there are no available areas remaining for parking. Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaffer to dissolve the Parking Committee. Carried, all
- 10) Appointment of Committee on Citizen Participation: Mayor Hyslop, Chair / Schaffer, Council: Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt to appoint Mayor Hyslop as Chair, Schaffer as Council representative to the Committee on Citizen Participation. Carried, all
- 11) Appointment of Council representatives and members to Plan Commission: Mayor Hyslop, Chair / Schaffer, Council representative: Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to appoint Mayor Hyslop Chair, Schaffer as Council representative to the Plan Commission. Carried, all
- 12) Appointment of Council representative to Joint Municipal Fire Commission: Marquardt Motion by Kressin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaffer to appoint Marquardt as City of Eagle River representative to the Joint Municipal Fire Commission. Carried, all
- 13) Appointment of Council representative to the Joint Ambulance Commission: Burkett. Burkett stated, due to scheduling conflicts, he had been unable to attend the main Ambulance Commission meeting each fall and requested he be replaced on this Commission. Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaffer to appoint Kressin to the Joint Ambulance Commission. Carried, all
- 14) Appointment of Council representative to Light & Water Commission: Kressin Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaffer to appoint Kressin as Council representative on the Light and Water Commission. Carried, all

- 15) Appointment of Council representative to Room Tax Commission: Marquardt Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaffer to appoint Marquardt to the Room Tax Commission. Carried, all
- 16) Appointment of Council representative and City of Eagle River representative to the Airport Commission: Burkett – Council / Dominick – City of Eagle River 2 yr term expiring 4/2025 Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt to appoint Burkett as the Council representative of the Airport Commission and Brian Dominick as City of Eagle River representative of the Airport Commission for a two year term ending 4/2025. Carried, all
- 17) Appointment of Council representative to Landfill Venture Group: Kressin Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt to appoint Kressin as Council representative to the Landfill Venture Group. Carried, all
- 18) Appointment of Council representative to River Trail Commission: Kressin Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt to appoint Kressin as Council representative to the River Trail Commission. Carried, all
- 19) Appointment of Business Improvement District Board Chair: Robin Ginner Burkett suggested adjusting the term of this position to be until sitting mayor is removed. Motion by Marquardt, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaffer to appoint Robin Ginner as Mayor appointed Chair of the Business Improvement District, with the term “until sitting mayor is removed.” Carried, all
- 20) Appointment of Council representative to Eagle River Revitalization Board of Directors: Kressin Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt to appoint Kressin as Council representative the Eagle River Revitalization Board of Directors. Carried, all
- 21) Appointment of Council representative Joint Review Board: Kressin Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt to appoint Kressin as Council representative to the Joint Review Board. Carried, all
- 22) Appointment of Council representative to Unified Lower Eagle River Chain of Lakes Commission: Kressin Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaffer to appoint Kressin as Council representative of the Unified Lower Eagle River Chain of Lakes Commission. Carried, all
- 23) Appoint City of Eagle River representative to the Walter E. Olson Library Board: Kathy Patten Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to appoint Kathy Patten as Eagle River representative to the Walter E. Olson Library Board. Carried, all
- 24) Approve members of the governing body to appear via phone or digital communication platforms: Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to approving members of the governing body to appear via phone or digital communication platforms. Carried, all
- 25) Approve other board and committee members to appear via phone or digital communication platforms upon approval of the Chairperson. Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to approve other board and committee members to appear via phone or digital communication platforms. Carried, all
- 26) Resolution #1007 to increase the salaries for City Council members and Mayor following 2025 Spring Election: Mayor Hyslop suggested an additional increase in pay from presented resolution for the Council President as the President has extra duties beyond the other Council members. After much discussion, Motion was made by Kressin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt to approve Resolution #1007, increasing the Mayor salary to \$23,400 per year, increasing Council members salary to \$6,900 per year AND adding to the presented resolution: The Council President shall have his/her salary increased to the amount of \$8,100 per year. All increases will go into effect following the April 2025 election. Carried on a roll call vote, all.
- 27) Ordinances and Resolutions must be introduced by one member of governing body: Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin that all ordinances and resolutions must be introduced by one member of the governing body. Carried, all
- 28) Anonymous correspondence will not be included in Council meeting packets: Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt that all complaints, correspondence, and comments do not exist if they are not signed. Carried, all
- 29) Approve six-month extension of Interim Financing for Wastewater Treatment Plant project with Great North Bank, \$2.8 million at the rate of 4.7% through October 13, 2023. Ginner reported the need to extend the interim financing to get everything finished at the WWTP. The interest rate has gone from 2.8% when the original note was taken out to 4.7%. Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to approve a six-month extension of the interim financing for the Wastewater Treatment Plant project with Great North Bank, \$2.8 million with an interest rate of 4.7% through October 13, 2023. Carried on a roll call vote, all

Due to the lack of availability of the full Council to stay, the planned closed session for Employment Reviews of the City Treasurer, City Clerk and City Administrator was postponed by Mayor Hyslop and Council until the regular May 9<sup>th</sup> City Council meeting.

*Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burkett to adjourn the meeting at 5:17PM. Carried all.*

Becky J Bolte - Clerk