

March 12, 2024

A meeting of the Finance Committee of the City of Eagle River was called to order at 5:20PM by Mayor Hyslop.

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

Treasurer confirmation that all bank accounts are reconciled: Hoffmann reported she is still working on reconciling the golf course bank statements with the assistance of CLA.

Treasurer report of any and all late payments and penalties. Hoffmann reported she distributed an in house email reminding departments to get invoices to her in more timely manner for processing. Hoffmann reports no late payments or penalties.

February Financial Review: None

Review and approval of Accounts Payable for City and Golf Course: *Motion by Kressin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaffer to recommend payment of presented City and Golf Course payables to City Council. Carried on a roll call vote. Ayes: Kressin, Schaffer, Marquardt Nays: None*

*Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt to adjourn at 5:47PM. Carried, all.*

Becky J Bolte – City Clerk

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A meeting of the Common Council of the City of Eagle River was called to order at 6:00PM by Mayor Hyslop

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Kim Schaffer and was recited by all present.

Roll Call: Ron Kressin, Kim Schaffer, and Diane Marquardt. Jerry Burkett was present via phone. Also in attendance: Becky Bolte, Robin Ginner, Cory Hoffmann, Mike Adamovich, Chris Dobbs, Mike Sanborn, and Kyle Anderson.

*Motion by Kressin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaffer to approve the minutes of the 2/13/24 Finance Committee and Common Council meetings. Carried, all.*

Mayor Hyslop made an announcement to the audience that tonight's meeting was not going to be a discussion on wake boats nor would the Council be making any changes the slow no wake zone, the item on the agenda was only to address the sunset clause on the existing slow no wake ordinance adopted on April 20, 2023.

A) Street Closing/temporary sign/amplification/display of goods permits:

Eagle River Lions Club – Sausage Fest at Riverview Park, 9/1/24, Riverview Park. *Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to approve Eagle River Lions Club application for temporary signs and to block off street parking around Riverview Park for Sausage Fest at Riverview Park, September 1, 2024 as presented. Carried all.*

Cranberry Country Quilters Show - WCD Complex, 7/20/24, Temp signs, DOT street banner over Hwy 70 at Fairgrounds. *Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to approve Eagle River Rotary application for temporary signs and DOT street banner over Hwy 70 near the fairgrounds for the Cranberry Country Quilters Show, July 20, 2024 as presented. Carried all.*

Veterans Resource Center - Come to the Coop to Support the Troops at The Square, Wednesday 8/14/2024, street closing, temp signs, amplifying device. *Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt to approve Veterans Resource Center application for street closing, amplification, and temporary signs for Come to the Coop to Support our Troops at The Square, August 14, 2024, as presented. Carried all.*

Eagle River Revitalization: 1) 2024 Eagle River Farmers Market – Wednesdays 5/8 through 10/9 and Sundays 5/16 through 10/6/24 at the Square. Temp signs, porta-potty, amplification for weekly entertainer, busking,

food trucks. 2) Young Entrepreneur Market (YEM) – Saturday 6/29, Thursday 7/18, and Thursday 8/15/24 at the Square. Temp signs, amplification for weekly entertainer, busking. 3) Summer Kickoff event – 6/29/24 on and around the Square. Chalkscape, temp signs, amplification for entertainer, busking, food trucks. *Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to approve the 2024 event permits as presented for the Eagle River Revitalization Program. Carried, all.*

Eagle River Revitalization: *Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaffer to approve exemption from the Direct Sellers Permit and fee to cover all exhibitors who have paid a booth/membership/spot fee to the Eagle River Farmers Market/Youth Entrepreneurs Market/ERRP and are selling during market/event hours. Carried on a roll call vote, Ayes: Burkett, Schaffer, Kressin, Marquardt Nays: None*

Tri-County Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, Inc: *Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt to approve the Tri-County Council on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault, Inc application for a Burn Ceremony in honor of Sexual Assault Awareness Month in April 2024, amplification and temporary signs at Vilas County Fairgrounds, April 24, 2024. Carried, all.*

B) Picnic Licenses:

Eagle River Lions Club - Class "B" Beer: Sausage Fest, September 1, 2024

Veterans Resource Center - Class "B" Beer: WRJO Street Dances - Thursdays 7/11/24 – 8/15/24, 4<sup>th</sup> of July Party in the Streets - 7/4/24, Burger Bash – 7/20/24, Come to the Coop to Support our Troops – 8/14/24.

*Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to approve all Class "B" temporary licenses as presented. Carried, all.*

C) Operator's licenses: Regular; Joslyn Pappas, Richeal Montezon, Christina Vedder. *Motion by Kressin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt to approve regular operator's license as presented. Carried, all.*

D) Liquor Licenses: Class "B" Beer/"Class B" Liquor - Blaze Champeny DBA Turkey's Clubhouse, 457 E McKinley 3/12/24 – 6/30/24: *Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to approve the Class "B" Beer and "Class B" Liquor license to Blaze Champeny, DBA Turkey's Clubhouse, 457 E McKinley effective 3/12/24 – 6/30/24. Carried, all.*

\*R) Request to keep chickens at 631 N Hirzel St - Joy Kalkofen: Joy Kalkofen presented a petition signed by neighbors to allow chickens at 631 N Hirzel St. *Motion by Kressin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaffter to approve the request to keep up to four (4) chickens, no roosters, at 631 N Hirzel. Carried, all.*

E) T-Docks shoreline restoration project in conjunction with Eagle River Chain of Lakes Association: Marc Groth, Shoreline Restoration Chair, presented the T-Dock Landing Shoreline Project proposal from the Eagle River Chain of Lakes Association. Project objectives are erosion control, to increase habitat, geese deterrent, create a demonstration area to showcase healthy shoreline buffers and to enhance ERCLA's commitment for continued grants. All work would be performed by ERCLA volunteers. A request was made in the proposal to upgrade three signs at the T-docks and a quote from Nicolet Signs was provided at \$125.00. *Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to go ahead with the ERCLA Spring/Summer 2024 T-dock shoreline restoration project as presented. Carried, all. Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to approve the request for support for printing three signs, not to exceed \$125.00. Carried on a roll call vote, Ayes: Schaffer, Kressin, Burkett, Marquardt Nays: None*

F) MSA Monthly Update: Phil Kriesel provided a written report, including updates to the E Spruce Street and N Third Street Utility Improvement Project. Ginner added that she is working with MSA to put together an appropriation request for the next fiscal budget to reconstruct McKinley. Ginner is working with Senator Tammy Baldwin's office on this.

G) Ordinance #588 – Amendment to Municipal Code, Chapter 10 Animals, Amending of Section 10-4 (a)(b)(d)(e) Control of Dogs and Cats: Mayor Hyslop and Schaffer reported that the amendment was presented to the planning commission and has their recommendation. Schaffer stated the ordinance amendments give the City Attorney more control when he goes to court on animal related cases. Schaffer

reported the main change was the addition that dogs need to be on a physical leash and this change protects all citizens. Mayor Hyslop reported the City Attorney is happy with these changes. Planning Commission member Adam Grassl spoke in support of the Planning Commission recommendation. Joe Laux spoke on his concerns that the code is overly restrictive and wanted to see electronic leashes included. Maureen Ujzdowski voiced in support of allowing electronic leashes. Burkett questioned if this was a reactionary response to one or two dogs and questioned enforcement. Mayor Hyslop stated this change is for the whole city of Eagle River and enforcement should not be any different than with current ordinance. *Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt to accept the Planning Commission recommendation and adopt Ordinance 588, Control of Dogs and Cats, as presented, effective March 21, 2024, after required publication. Carried on a roll call vote. Ayes: Schaffer, Marquardt. Nays: Kressin, Burkett. Mayor Hyslop broke the tie with an Aye vote.*

H) Silver Lake Eurasian Water Milfoil bids and decision on future of the project, funded in cash by the City, Silver Lake Association and the Town of Lincoln. Ginner presented bids for Silver Lake Eurasian Water Milfoil Treatment. The City did not receive the Onterra grant so the City went ahead and requested bids. Ginner reported Bill Hassey from the Town of Lincoln has expressed support and Lon Fisk, representing the Silver Lake Association, was present and stated they too would be supportive. The City will move forward with all parties involved. Ginner to put milfoil treatment bids on the April City Council agenda.

I) Joint Resolution 2024-1 - Memorandum of Understanding for Elm Drive Brush Site Use by Town of Lincoln Residents. Ginner stated a motion was made on August 8, 2023, to share the Elm Dr. brush site with Town of Lincoln residents for the purpose of disposing of yard waste, approved for one year. The agreement was in cooperation with the Town of Lincoln for the Fire Wise program. Kevin Ludwig will be doing the chipping on site and a certificate of liability insurance must be supplied by Ludwig, the site will be gated with cameras, and hours are set as open Friday at 4PM through Monday at 6AM. The program is now in place and Joint Resolution 2024-1 is a formal agreement and is for a two-year term. *Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to approve Joint Resolution 2024-1, Memorandum of Understanding for Elm Drive Brush Site use by Town of Lincoln residents for a two-year term. Carried on a roll call vote, Ayes: Burkett, Schaffer, Kressin, Marquardt Nays: None*

J) Golf Course Updates from Golf Pro and Greens Superintendent. Grounds Superintendent Kyle Anderson spoke on the opening of the golf course for the 2024 season, stating that opening too early could damage the grass. Anderson will continue to prepare for opening, monitoring the weather conditions for opening. Ginner spoke for Golf Pro Tony Sable requesting Council maintain rates at 2023 levels for the 2024 season. *Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to approve maintaining the 2023 rates for the 2024 season. Carried on a roll call vote, Ayes: Schaffer, Kressin, Marquardt, Burkett Nays: None*

K) Discussion and possible action on 2023 slow-no-wake ordinance #584, extending the slow-no-wake zone from the current point 700' east of the Hwy 45 bridge, to the area at Trees for Tomorrow. Mayor explained Ordinance #584 was approved April 20, 2023, with a one-year sunset clause. The purpose of the agenda item is to decide whether to make the existing Ordinance permanent or allow it to end at the one-year sunset. Reports in support of the effectiveness of the Ordinance were supplied to Council, along with a Vilas County Sheriffs department text stating that it was working situation, and Kressin spoke that those on the river were very happy with it. *Motion by Kressin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Burkett to make Ordinance 584 permanent.* Burkett asked to open for discussion for those residents that live on the river. The audience spoke of issues of safety at the Trees for Tomorrow area beginning of the zone with boats stopping or taking off causing waves, and boaters turning around causing safety issues to the residents along the beginning buoy, requesting the zone be extended to the T-docks, and with length of slow no wake zone and the time it takes to navigate through it. Burkett suggested adding slow-no-wake zone extension to April City Council meeting agenda. *Motion carried on a roll call vote, Ayes: Kressin, Burkett, Marquardt, Schaffer Nays: None*

L) Request from Towns of Lincoln and Washington to participate in presentation by Last Wilderness Alliance on the effects of wake boats on the Eagle River Chain, and discussion of potential ordinance adoption. Requesting interest and potential date to schedule special session. Ginner presented an opportunity for

Council members to participate in a presentation by Last Wilderness Alliance on the effects of wake boats on the Eagle River Chain with Town of Lincoln and Town of Washington elected officials. Burkett questioned if we have any need in the city to get involved with this. Mayor confirmed this is an invitation to attend/view the presentation, no action will be taken by the city. Schaffer requested presentation be available via zoom. Council intends to participate. Ginner to post notice with zoom link when time and date are established.

M) Approve payment of the bills for the City and the Golf Course. *Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to approve payment of the bills for the city and the golf course as recommended by the Finance Committee. Carried on a roll call vote, Ayes: Schaffer, Kressin, Marquardt, Nays: None, Abstaining: Burkett*

N) Police chief monthly update on departmental activities. Chief Dobbs provided a written report of monthly activity. Ginner presented bids for security cameras at the The Square, explaining the vendor who was working on the camera setup has left the area. Sergeant Rossing has applied for a WalMart grant and is hopeful that it will be awarded, expecting the city expense to be a couple hundred dollars after possible grant funds are awarded. Paladin Security had the lowest bid at \$2,215, with ER Light and Water and the Police Department removing the old cameras. Expense would come out of the Police Department budget. *Motion by Burkett, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to approve security camera expense for The Square, not to exceed \$2,300. Carried on a roll call vote. Ayes: Burkett, Kressin, Schaffer, Marquardt Nays: None*

O) Administrator's monthly update on activities of all departments. A written report was provided with Ginner adding she is continuing to work with CLA on TID reporting.

P) Treasurers monthly update: Hoffmann provided a written report.

Q) Clerk's monthly update: Bolte provided a written report adding that the Town of St. Germain voted against selling any Class B Combo liquor licenses to the City at their March 11,2024 Board meeting.

*Motion by Kressin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaffer to Adjourn to Closed Session at 7:20PM, according to Wisconsin State Statute: 19.85 (1) (c) Considering employment, promotion, compensation, or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility; Recruitment and Succession Planning for Chief of Police Position and Acting Officer in Charge Memorandum of Understanding. Carried on a roll call vote, Ayes: Kressin, Schaffer, Burkett, Marquardt Nays: None*

*Motion by Kressin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Schaffer to reconvene in Open Session at 7:58PM, according to Wisconsin State Statute 19.85(2) with possible action on closed session agenda items. Carried on a roll call vote, Ayes: Kressin, Schaffer, Burkett, Marquardt Nays: None*

*Motion by Schaffer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kressin to adopt the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Eagle River and the Eagle River Police Association as presented. Carried on a roll call vote. Ayes: Schaffer, Kressin, Burkett, Marquardt Nays: None*

*Motion by Kressin, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Marquardt to adjourn the meeting at 8:00PM. Carried all.*

Becky J Bolte - Clerk