



CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING - FINAL

Tuesday, January 02, 2024 at 6:30 PM

City Hall 8319 Co. Rd. 11 Breezy Point, MN 56472

(218) 562-4441 | Office Hours 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. | cityadmin@cityofbreezypointmn.us

AGENDA

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. APPROVAL/AMENDMENT OF THE AGENDA

5. OPEN FORUM

6. PRESENTATIONS

[A.](#) Life Saving Awards

[B.](#) Candice Zimmerman - Region 5 Development Commission

7. ITEMS OF PUBLIC INTEREST

[A.](#) Disc Golf Course Petition to Remove Holes

8. CONSENT AGENDA

One action, topics will not be discussed unless removed from consent agenda. Items requiring the expenditures of funds are budgeted items or have been previously discussed by the City Council.

[A.](#) December 4, 2023 Regular City Council Meeting Minutes

[B.](#) Approval of Claims in the Amount of \$109,883.78.

[C.](#) Resolution 01-2023 Electronic Funds Transfers

[D.](#) Resolution 02-2023: Setting of Polling Place

[E.](#) Resolution 03-2023 Appointment of Election Judges

[F.](#) 2024 Tort Liability Waiver

9. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

[A.](#) Resolution 04-2024: 2024 Fee Schedule

10. NEW BUSINESS

[A.](#) Request to Use City Property for Event Parking

[B.](#) 2024 Organizational Resolution & Committee Appointments

[C.](#) Communications Recommendations

[D.](#) 2024 Chip Sealing

[E.](#) Terminal Road and Red Oak Lane Sewer Extension

11. OLD BUSINESS

[A.](#) Chickasaw Sewer and Rezoning

[B.](#) Ladder Truck Joint Powers Agreement

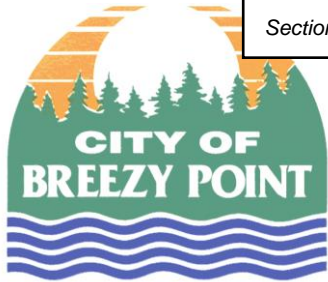
[C.](#) Rules of Conduct and Procedure

12. STAFF REPORTS

13. MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS

14. AGENDA FORECAST

15. ADJOURN



TO: Mayor and Council

FROM: Police Chief Brian Sandell

DATE: December 19, 2023

MEETING DATE: January 2, 2023

Agenda Item: Lifesaving Awards

Background: On December 2nd, Officer Salvevold and EMT Officer Rustad received a report of an unresponsive female at the intersection of Co Rd 11 and East Horseshoe Lake Rd. Dispatch was giving the caller instructions on performing CPR.

Officer Rustad arrived, inserted an advanced airway, and began rescue breaths. A short time later Officer Salvevold arrived and took over chest compressions. While providing care Officer Rustad observed indicators of opiate use and administered Naloxone. The patient was revived and transported by North Ambulance.

The patient was suffering from an overdoes and/or a medical issue.

Requested Action: Present Officer Salvevold and Officer Rustad with lifesaving awards.

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Daniel Eick, Assistant City Administrator
RE: Candice Zimmermann: R5DC Presentation
DATE: December 26, 2023



Summary

At the request of Mayor Zierden, Assistant City Administrator (ACA) Daniel Eick met with Candice Zimmermann from the Region Five Development Commission (R5DC) On Tuesday, November 28, 2023. The purpose of that meeting was to discuss the R5DC’s Energy & Environment Planning Program and consider what benefit, if any, the program could have on the City of Breezy Point.

As a result of that discussion, ACA Eick scheduled Ms. Zimmermann to present the program to Council during their Tuesday, January 2, Regular Council Meeting. Further information on the program can be found in the brochure, attached to this document below, and on the R5DC website at: <https://www.regionfive.org/eep>

Council Action

No action from Council is requested at this time.

R5DC'S ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT PLANNING PROGRAM SEEKS MUNICIPALITY PARTICIPATION

Section 6, Item B.

in partnership with the USDA Rural Community Development Initiative Grant program

Does your city want to save energy and reduce costs? Is it important for your city to plan for extreme weather events?

From projects related to stormwater runoff to electric vehicle charging stations to solar energy projects, the R5DC Environmental and Energy Planning process will help lead conversations and prioritize the needs specific to your community. As a result, we will work with you to leverage various **grant funding** for project implementation.



R5DC is inviting 10 more cities to participate in community-driven Energy and Environment Planning. Spots are limited. **DEADLINE : November 30th, 2023**

What does Energy & Environment Planning accomplish?

10 cities have completed Energy and Environment Plans.

See their stories here: www.regionfive.org/eep



Seven cities coordinated a community clean-up day.



Over \$50,000 in grant funding leveraged to complete Environ. & Energy projects throughout the region.



FOUR cities completed energy audits and improved energy efficiency in public buildings.

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: David Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk
RE: City Council Meetings in 2024
DATE: January 2, 2024



Background

In November 2023, the City received the attached petition from the Breezy Point Neighborhood Alliance with a request to remove holes 4-12 from the disc golf course expansion. Staff received input from a majority of councilmembers to formally discuss this petition. Per the request of Councilmembers Jensen and Moroni, the discussion of this petition was delayed until the January 2, 2024 City Council meeting.

Council Action

Staff recommends that the City Council discuss whether to grant the request of the petitioners to remove holes 4-12 from the disc golf course expansion.



P.O. Box 563
Breezy Point, MN
hello@bpneighborhoodalliance.org

Dear Council,

We, the undersigned residents of Whitebirch, represented by the Breezy Point Neighborhood Alliance, are writing to formally request the removal of holes 4-12 from the proposed disc golf expansion within our community.

We appreciate the significance of recreational activities and outdoor enjoyment in our community, and we wholeheartedly support responsible and well-planned development. However, we believe that the expansion has introduced activities and behaviors that are not suitable for a residential neighborhood with families, especially those with young children. The holes in question, 4-12, are those located in closest proximity to our homes.

In unity, we kindly request that the City Council remove these holes from the disc golf expansion project. This decision will not only help preserve the peaceful nature of our neighborhood but also demonstrate the Council's commitment to valuing the opinions and concerns of its residents.

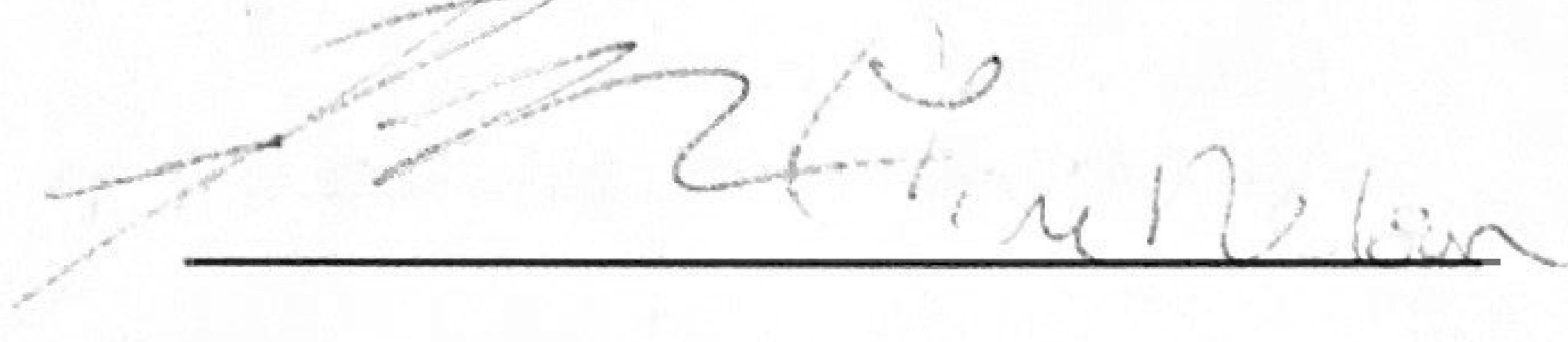
We extend our gratitude for your time and consideration of our request. We sincerely hope for a positive resolution to what has undoubtedly been a challenging situation for all involved.

Sincerely,

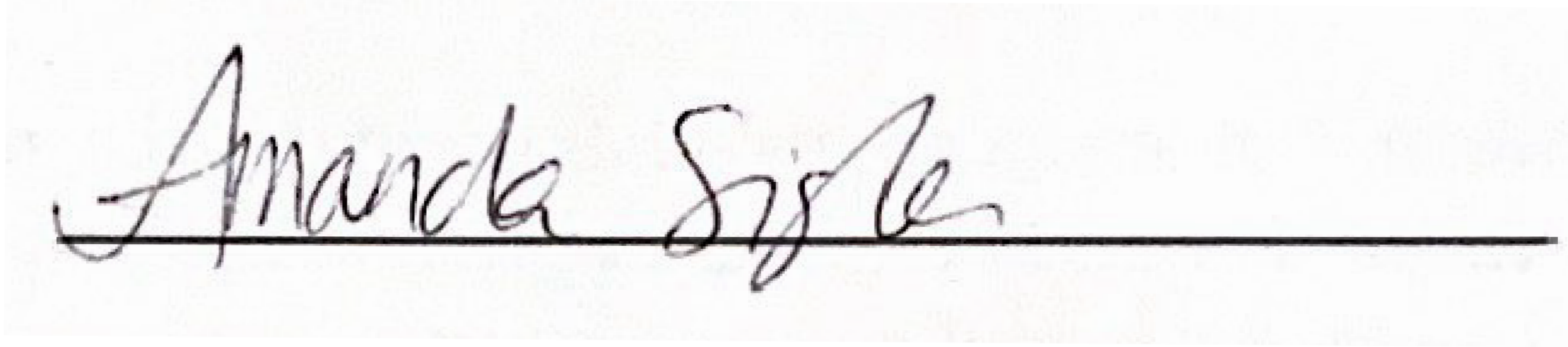
Alex & Brandi Berg
31619 Green Scene Dr

Jonathan & Tracy Kurten
31709 Green Scene Dr

Jason & Toni Nelson
31769 Green Scene Dr



John & Amanda Sigler
31916 Blue Ridge Dr



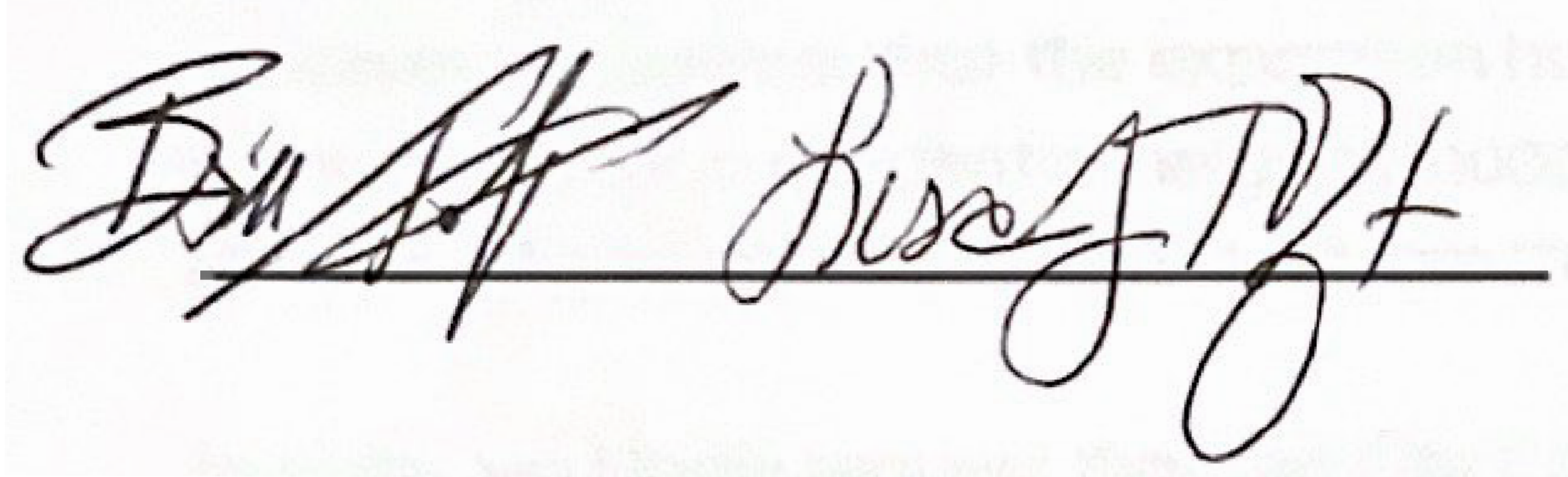
Jesse Hanson
31835 Green Scene Dr



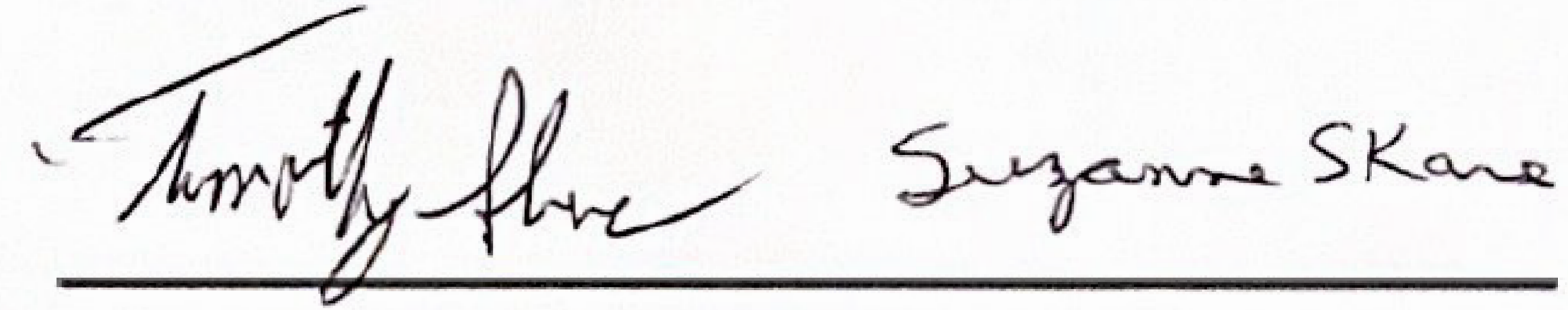
Timothy & Jessica Olsen
31908 Blue Ridge Dr



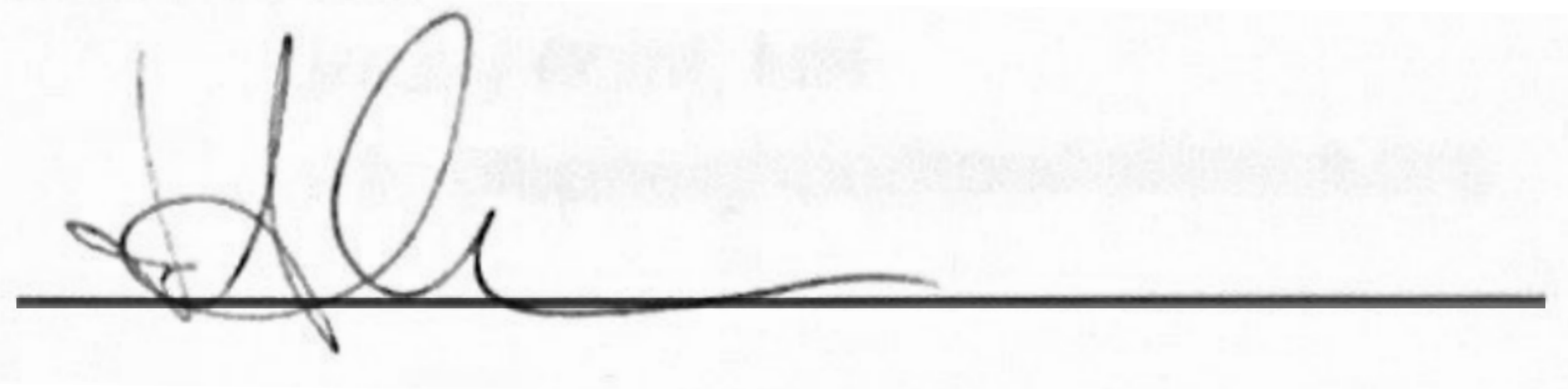
Bill & Lisa Toft
31877 Green Scene Dr



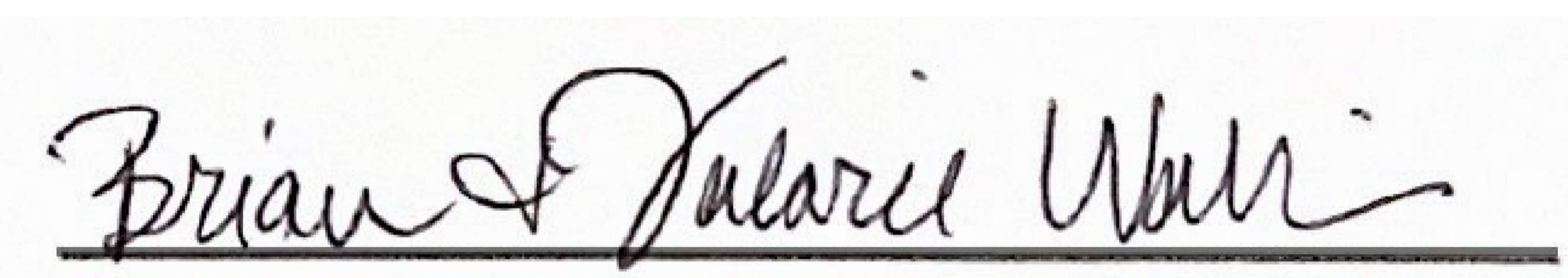
Timothy & Suzanne Skare
7531 Winter Trail



Jane Ahlstrom
31897 Green Scene Dr



Brian & Valarie Wallin
31894 Blue Ridge Dr



- Move tee pad 6 further to the north by a minimum of 50', near the boulders/trees along of the fairway.
- Any target that is within 75' of a current developed property line, at the request of the current January 2024 property owner:
 - Target/basket to be removed October 10 - 20th (Target date October 15th)
 - Target/basket to be re-placed May 10 - 20th (Target date May 15th)
- Place basket silencers on baskets within 100' of a 2024 developed property line.
- Signs to be placed every 35' along the property line of any current developed property line along the entire disc golf course.
 - Future developed property:
 - At the time of certificate of occupancy is granted, the signs shall be placed.
 - "Private Property – no trespassing. Violators can be banned from course"
- Speed limit signs to be erected on any path that parks and rec uses as directional signage to the course.
- Temporary restrooms to be provided at the new parking lot; maintenance parking lot, which is by hole #1 as of today (hole #6/#13 after re-alignment on the 'Legacy' course'), and at basket 10 of the expansion course, utilizing a 20' easement to place/access it.
- Place signs encouraging being respectful and courteous in a residential neighborhood
 - At the start of each 18
 - At any tee pad within 125' of any developed property line; every other hole.
 - "Residential Quiet Zone – Please Be Respectful and Courteous"
- Have parks and rec continue to develop rules of play and use of the land.
 - They are considering re-signing all city parks, so this will be part of that consideration.
- Allow parks and rec to sign the course that violators of rules can be banned and/or fined.
- NO GLOW ROUNDS ALLOWED (twilight play)
- Hours of park to be posted:
 - 8 AM-9 PM – Memorial Day through Labor Day (more daylight during the summer hours)
 - 8 AM-8 PM – All other dates.
- Law enforcement to patrol the parking lot on a regular patrol schedule, and utilizing the city's UTV – community policing and education of parties on the course.

Some other items to consider and ask parks to continue to work on and have completed by end of 2025:

- Have the city finalize a hole sponsorship funding capability.
- Allow parks and rec to continue to work on the event permit for 2024.
- Finalize permit recommendations for council consideration
- Work on the trail from the new parking lot to the legacy course #14 (or #1)
- Re-number the legacy course. 14 becomes 1; 1 becomes 6 and so on.
- Close the legacy parking lot.
- Create a map of the entire complex/course.
- Work on a plan to replace the mat tee pads with cement tee pads that are found at the new course.
- Obtain trash cans that can be found at every other hole.
- Continue to encourage other uses including a pavilion/picnic, playground, or other ideas that parks may have.

**Breezy Point City Council
December 4, 2023 - 6:30 pm
Regular Meeting Minutes**

The meeting of the Breezy Point City Council was called to order by Angel Zierden at 6:30 p.m. Roll Call was taken by City Administrator Chanski. Councilmembers present were Rebecca Ball, Steve Jensen, Michael Moroni, and Brad Scott. Staff present included City Administrator/Clerk David Chanski, Assistant City Administrator Daniel Eick, Deputy Clerk Deb Runksmeier, Police Chief Brian Sandel, and Public Works Supervisor Joe Zierden. Also present was City Engineer Joe Dubel. All present stood for the pledge of allegiance.

Approval/Amendment of the Agenda

MOTION MORONI/SCOTT TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Open Forum

Bill Toft, 31877 Green Scene Drive
Lisa Baer, 29726 Lakeshore Drive

Life Saving Award

Life Saving Award was presented to Officer Dan Sathre.

2024 Budget and Levy Presentation, Public Hearing, and Adoption

Administrator Chanski gave the final budget presentation for the 2024 Budget and Levy. After receiving Administrator Chanski’s presentation, Mayor Zierden opened the public hearing on the proposed budget and levy. The following members of the public spoke:

Ted Schotzko, 8296 Eagle Lane spoke

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 16-2023 TO SET THE PRELIMINARY LEVY AND BUDGET FOR 2024, MOTION CARRIED 4-1, SCOTT OPPOSED

Proposed Ordinance 2023-05 Tobacco Regulations

City Administrator Chanski presented Proposed Ordinance 2023-05, which came to the City Council as a recommendation from the Parks & Recreation Committee. This ordinance updates the City’s tobacco regulations to be compliant with State Statute and prohibits the use of tobacco products on land owned by the City of Breezy Point. Following his presentation, Mayor Zierden opened the public hearing on Proposed Ordinance 2023-05. No members of the public spoke.

MOTION JENSEN/MORONI TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2023-05 REGULATING TOBACCO ON PUBLIC LANDS, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Proposed Ordinance 2023-06 STR Well Testing Amendment

City Administrator Chanski presented Proposed Ordinance 2023-06, which amends short term rental well testing requirements as discussed by the City Council on November 6. Mayor Zierden opened the public hearing on Proposed Ordinance 2023-06. No members of the public spoke.

MORONI/SCOTT TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2023-06 FOR SHORT TERM RENTAL WELL TESTING, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Proposed Ordinance 2023-07 Hunting on Public Property

City Administrator Chanski presented Proposed Ordinance 2023-07, which amends the City Code to prohibit hunting of any kind of property owned by the City of Breezy Point. Mayor Zierden opened the public hearing on Proposed Ordinance 2023-07. No members of the public spoke.

MOTION JENSEN/BALL TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 2023-07 TO PROHIBIT HUNTING ON CITY OWNED PROPERTY, MOTION CARRIED 4-1, SCOTT OPPOSED

Consent Agenda

- A. November 6, 2023 City Council Minutes
- B. November 16, 2023 City Council Workshop Minutes
- C. Approval of Claims Totaling \$156,084.58
- D. Approval of 2024 Liquor Licenses
- E. Resolution 17-2023 Donation for Cemetery Veterans Wreaths

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Transportation Alternatives Grant Resolution of Support for CSAH 11 Trail

City Administrator Chanski gave an overview of the Transportation Alternatives grant process. He provided answers to councilmembers questions that came out of the November 16 City Council workshop where this CSAH 11 trail grant was first presented by the Crow Wing County Highway Department. Paul Sandy with WSB also provided the City Council information regarding the Transportation Alternatives grant process and requirements.

MOTION SCOTT/ZIERDEN TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 18-2023 TO APPLY FOR TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVE GRANT PROGRAM WITH ACKNOWLEDGMENT THAT THE CITY IS RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING ALL UPFRONT CONSTRUCTION COSTS IF AWARDED, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Planning and Zoning Administrator Hiring

City Administrator Chanski provided a review of the hiring process for the Planning & Zoning Administrator position, and presented his recommendation to hire Peter Gansen as Planning & Zoning Administrator.

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO APPROVE THE HIRING OF PETER GANSEN AS PLANNING AND ZONING ADMINSTRATOR PER THE TERMS AGREED UPON IN THE OFFER LETTER OF EMPLOYMENT WITH A START DATE OF TO START JANUARY 2, 2024, MOTION CARRIED 4-1, SCOTT OPPOSED

Audit Contract

City Administrator Chanski reported that the City’s current contract with CliftonLarsenAllen for audit services has expired and recommended approve a new 3-year agreement with CliftonLarsenAllen for fiscal years 2023, 2024, and 2025.

MOTION MORONI/BALL TO APPROVE PROPOSAL FROM CLIFTONLARSONALLEN LLP FOR AUDIT SERVICES OF FISCAL YEARS 2023, 2024, AND 2025 AND TO GO OUT FOR RFP FOR FOLLOWING THREE YEARS, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Chickasaw Circle Rezoning

City Administrator Chanski presented the Planning Commission’s recommendation to approve the rezoning request by Whitebirch, Inc. to rezone parcels on Chickasaw Circle from R-1 (Low Density Residential) to R-4 (Multi-Family Residential) and consider extending municipal sewer into the cul-de-sac on Chickasaw Circle as part of the proposed development. David Landecker spoke about the proposed project on behalf of Whitebirch, Inc.

MOTION MORONI/BALL TO AUTHORIZE STAFF TO DIRECT CITY ENGINEER TO CALCULATE THE COST SPLIT BETWEEN THE CITY AND WHITEBIRCH FOR SEWER EXPANSION AT CHICKASAW CIRCLE, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Rules of Conduct and Procedure

Councilmember Scott asked the City Council to discussed how allegations of misconduct against councilmembers should be handled. Discussed expected City Administrator Chanski that the Council confer with the City Attorney on the matter.

MOTION SCOTT/BALL TO HAVE THE CITY ATTORNEY TO PROVIDE GUIDANCE FOR COUNCIL ON HOW TO MANAGE ALLEGATIONS OF MISCONDUCT RELATING TO ELECTED OFFICIALS, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

The City Council conducted a short recess from 8:57p.m. to 9:03p.m.

Buschmann Road Final Design

Paul Sandy of WSB gave a short presentation on Buschmann Road and the pros and cons of constructing the road to a 9-ton, collector road standard. He then presented WSB’s proposals for Phase II.A and Phase II.B of the project as requested by the City Council. Mayor Zierden then opened the floor for public comment. The following members of the public spoke:

Sandra Logelin, 31694 Ranchette Dr.

MOTION MORONI/JENSEN TO ACCEPT WSB PROPOSAL 2.A OF FINAL DESIGN AND PLANS FOR BUSCHMANN ROAD AND RANCHETTE DRIVE PROJECT, MOTION CARRIED 4-1, SCOTT OPPOSED

City Hall Design

City Administrator Chanski reviewed the background of the new city hall building project and the financial details as to how the building would be paid for. Mike Angland with Widseth the provided the City Council with an update on the design process. City Council discussed conducting another workshop on the design development package and selected January 23, 2024 at 5:00pm for that meeting. Mayor Zierden then opened the floor for public comment. The following members of the public spoke:

Tim and Laura Flor, 29777 Shoreview Lane spoke.

Councilmember Scott resigned from the Design Team. Councilmember Moroni stated that he will serve as the lone representative of the City Council if no other member desires to serve on the Design Team. However, he wanted it to be noted that decision that are made are what he deems is best for the City and all other councilmembers are denying the opportunity to serve on the Design Team. Councilmember Jensen then state he would be willing to serve on the Design Team but has no desire to participate in any discussion on finishes, fixtures, etc.

MOTION JENSEN/BALL TO REPLACE COUNCILMAN SCOTT WITH COUNCILMAN JENSEN ON THE DESIGN TEAM FOR CITY HALL AND SCHEDULE WORKSHOP FOR JANUARY 23, MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Staff Reports

Committee and Commission terms to expire on December 31, 2023. Applications for appointment need to be in soon.

Council Reports - None

Agenda Forecast

City Administrator Chanski reviewed some items for the January meeting.

Adjourn
MOTION JENSEN/MORONI TO ADJOURN, CARRIED 5-0

Meeting was adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

David C. Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk

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E 600-43250-386		CreditCard Proc Fees	\$146.22	NOV 2023	CC PROCESSING FEES - NOV 2023
		Total	\$146.22		
		10100	\$146.22		

Fund Summary

10100 Primary	
600 SEWER OPERATING FUND	\$146.22
	\$146.22

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E 100-43000-212		Motor Fuels	(\$1.29)	NOV 2023	PW Fuel Rebates - Nov 2023
E 600-43250-212		Motor Fuels	\$243.70	NOV 2023	Sewer Fuel Purchases - Nov 2023
E 600-43250-212		Motor Fuels	(\$3.85)	NOV 2023	Sewer Fuel Rebates - Nov 2023
		Total	\$2,080.83		
		10100	\$2,080.83		

Fund Summary

10100 Primary

100 GENERAL FUND	\$1,840.98
600 SEWER OPERATING FUND	\$239.85
	\$2,080.83

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E 100-41300-321		Telephone	\$358.80	NOV 2023	CH Voyant Phone Bill Settlement
E 100-41900-401		Maint Buildings	\$42.97	NOV 2023	CH Door Chime
E 100-41300-433		Dues and Subscriptions	\$387.20	NOV 2023	D. Eick ICMA Membership 2024
E 100-42100-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$9.00	NOV 2023	PD Postage
E 100-42100-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$84.98	NOV 2023	PD Flashlight Batteries
E 100-42100-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$155.79	NOV 2023	PD Office Supplies
E 100-42100-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$109.52	NOV 2023	PD Shoe Polisher
E 100-42100-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$57.78	NOV 2023	PD Picture Frames
E 100-42100-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$187.25	NOV 2023	PD Life Saving Award Uniform Bar
E 100-42100-200		General Operating (Suppli	(\$109.52)	NOV 2023	PD Refund Shoe Polisher
E 100-43000-220		Repair/Maint Supply (GEN	\$155.67	NOV 2023	PW LED Warning Light
E 600-43250-417		Uniforms	\$139.99	NOV 2023	Sewer Boots B. Schultz
E 600-43250-208		Training and Education	\$43.34	NOV 2023	Sewer Training Food
E 600-43250-208		Training and Education	\$10.24	NOV 2023	Sewer Training Coffee Creamer & Sugar
		Total	\$1,809.73		
		10100	\$1,809.73		

Fund Summary

10100 Primary

100 GENERAL FUND	\$1,616.16
600 SEWER OPERATING FUND	\$193.57
	\$1,809.73

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E 100-42100-401		Maint Buildings	\$112.19	2530215483	CH Mats
		Total	\$215.47		
138981	12/13/23	AT&T MOBILITY			
E 100-42100-321		Telephone	\$959.76	NOV 2023	PD Cell Phones 10/26/23 - 11/25/23
		Total	\$959.76		
138982	12/13/23	BLAEDC			
E 200-46500-490		Donations	\$1,525.00	92	Government Funding - 2nd Half 2023
		Total	\$1,525.00		
138983	12/13/23	BLUE CROSS & BLUE SHIELD OF MN			
G 100-21706		Hospitalization/Medical Ins	\$67.34	JAN 2024	Vision Insurance Premiums - JAN 2024
		Total	\$67.34		
138984	12/13/23	BOBCAT OF BRAINERD			
E 100-43000-220		Repair/Maint Supply (GEN	\$310.04	60266	PW Rear Shaft Drive
		Total	\$310.04		
138985	12/13/23	BREEZY POINT HARDWARE			
E 100-43000-220		Repair/Maint Supply (GEN	\$23.92	31120	PW Screws
E 100-45100-210		Operating Supplies (GEN	\$17.97	31180	Parks Flagging Tape & Handle
E 100-43000-220		Repair/Maint Supply (GEN	\$40.95	31187	PW Marking Paint, Flagging Tape, Carb Cleaner
E 100-42100-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$13.98	31268	PD Camera Battery
E 100-42100-220		Repair/Maint Supply (GEN	\$0.60	31298	PD Fasteners
E 100-42100-401		Maint Buildings	\$25.95	31327	PD Cleaners
		Total	\$123.37		
138986	12/13/23	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS - PA			
E 100-42100-381		Combined Utilities	\$30.88	DEC 2023	PD Cable TV 12/02/23 - 1/1/24
		Total	\$30.88		
138987	12/13/23	COMPENSATION CONSULTANTS LTD			
E 100-41900-313		Benefits Administration	\$50.00	DEC 2023	HSA/FSA Benefit Administration - DEC 2023
		Total	\$50.00		
138988	12/13/23	CROW WING CO TREASURER			
E 100-41910-302		E911 / Permit Exp	\$75.00	6521	E911 Addressing - OCT 2023
		Total	\$75.00		
138989	12/13/23	Crow Wing County Recorder			
E 100-41910-351		Legal Notices Publishing	\$506.00	PC 2023	PC Resolutions Recording - 2023
		Total	\$506.00		
138990	12/13/23	CULLIGAN			
E 100-42100-381		Combined Utilities	\$32.50	NOV 2023	PD Water - NOV 2023
		Total	\$32.50		

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E 100-41910-351		Legal Notices Publishing	\$59.50	AD #272650-	CUP PH 11/1/23 & 11/8/23
E 100-41100-351		Legal Notices Publishing	\$31.40	AD #278054-	2024 Tax Levy PH 11/22/23
		Total	\$90.90		
138992	12/13/23	GALLS LLC			
E 100-42100-417		Uniforms	\$108.94	26395569	PD Shirt
E 100-42100-417		Uniforms	\$63.50	26395586	PD Pants
		Total	\$172.44		
138993	12/13/23	GRANITE ELECTRONICS			
E 100-42100-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$75.00	2236012	PD Fixed Fee
		Total	\$75.00		
138994	12/13/23	GrassMaster Professional			
E 100-41900-402		Grounds Maintenance	\$492.00	7367	CH Grass Cutting - JUNE 2023
E 270-49010-300		Professional Svcs (GENE	\$1,028.00	7367	Cemetery Grass Cutting - JUNE 2023
E 100-42100-402		Grounds Maintenance	\$292.00	7367	PD Grass Cutting - JUNE 2023
E 270-49010-300		Professional Svcs (GENE	\$1,685.00	7504	Cemetery Fertilizing & Grass Cutting - JULY 2023
E 100-41900-402		Grounds Maintenance	\$615.00	7504	CH Grass Cutting - JULY 2023
E 100-42100-402		Grounds Maintenance	\$365.00	7504	PD Grass Cutting - JULY 2023
E 270-49010-300		Professional Svcs (GENE	\$1,028.00	9883	Cemetery Grass Cutting - SEPT 2023
E 100-41900-402		Grounds Maintenance	\$492.00	9883	CH Grass Cutting - SEPT 2023
E 100-42100-402		Grounds Maintenance	\$280.00	9883	PD Grass Cutting - SEPT 2023
		Total	\$6,277.00		
138995	12/13/23	HEARTLAND ANIMAL RESCUE TEAM			
E 100-41900-306		Animal Control	\$333.87	11/2023	Animal Impound Fees - NOV 2023
		Total	\$333.87		
138996	12/13/23	LAKES AREA WILDLIFE CONTROL			
E 100-41900-306		Animal Control	\$550.00	14798	Animal Control Fees - NOV 2023
		Total	\$550.00		
138997	12/13/23	LAW ENFORCEMENT LABOR SERVICES			
G 100-21710		Other Deductions	\$202.50	DEC 2023	PD Union Dues - DEC 2023
		Total	\$202.50		
138998	12/13/23	MARCO TECHNOLOGIES LLC			
E 100-41900-400		Equipment	\$207.36	516677036	CH Copier Lease 11/22/23 - 12/22/23
E 600-43250-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$51.84	516677036	Sewer Copier Lease 11/22/23 - 12/22/23
		Total	\$259.20		
138999	12/13/23	MINNESOTA CHIEFS OF POLICE			
G 100-15500		Prepaid Items	\$376.00	15116	PD Membership Renewal - 2024
G 100-15500		Prepaid Items	\$550.00	15286	PD 2024 ETI Conference -- B. Sandell
		Total	\$926.00		
139000	12/13/23	MOTOROLA SOLUTIONS INC			
E 100-42100-590		Capital Outlay	\$446.89	8281772110	PD Remote Speaker, Wireless ATX, Charger

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Total			\$446.89		
139001	12/13/23	NORTHLAND FIRE PROTECTION			
E 100-43000-401		Maint Buildings	\$421.70	56049	PW Fire Extinguisher Service
E 100-42100-300		Professional Svcs (GENE	\$272.35	56224	PD Fire Extinguisher Service
Total			\$694.05		
139002	12/13/23	ON SYSTEMS INC			
E 100-41900-308		Software / IT Support	\$608.15	10553	IT Support - DEC 2023
E 100-41910-308		Software / IT Support	\$243.26	10553	IT Support - DEC 2023
E 100-42100-308		Software / IT Support	\$1,702.82	10553	IT Support - DEC 2023
E 100-43000-308		Software / IT Support	\$182.45	10553	IT Support - DEC 2023
E 600-43250-308		Software / IT Support	\$304.08	10553	IT Support - DEC 2023
Total			\$3,040.76		
139003	12/13/23	PLACID LAKE ADVISORS			
E 100-41910-100		Compensation (GENERAL	\$3,307.50	NOV 2023	Planning & Zoning Services - NOV 2023
Total			\$3,307.50		
139004	12/13/23	RATWIK ROSZAK & MALONEY PA			
E 100-41610-304		Legal/Prosecution Fees	\$6,706.44	75081	Legall Fees - OCT 2023
Total			\$6,706.44		
139005	12/13/23	RUSTAD, KIEL			
E 100-42100-417		Uniforms	\$53.66	2075328-022	PD Magazine Carrier Reimbursement
Total			\$53.66		
139006	12/13/23	SADUSKY RENOVATIONS			
E 100-41910-309		Building Inspector	\$10,898.62	NOV 2023	Bldg Inspection Services - NOV 2023
Total			\$10,898.62		
139007	12/13/23	TDS TELECOM			
E 100-42100-308		Software / IT Support	\$29.16	DEC 2023	Internet Service 12/13/23 - 1/12/24
E 100-43000-308		Software / IT Support	\$3.13	DEC 2023	Internet Service 12/13/23 - 1/12/24
E 600-43250-308		Software / IT Support	\$5.21	DEC 2023	Internet Service 12/13/23 - 1/12/24
E 100-41900-308		Software / IT Support	\$10.42	DEC 2023	Internet Service 12/13/23 - 1/12/24
E 100-41910-308		Software / IT Support	\$4.17	DEC 2023	Internet Service 12/13/23 - 1/12/24
G 100-15500		Prepaid Items	\$32.90	DEC 2023	Internet Service 12/13/23 - 1/12/24
Total			\$84.99		
139008	12/13/23	THE OFFICE SHOP			
E 100-43000-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$89.95	1135130-0	PW Daily Planners
E 100-41300-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$70.10	1135130-0	CH Office Supplies
E 100-41300-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$27.49	1135130-1	PW Batteries
E 100-41300-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$2.13	1135410-0	CH Push Pins
E 100-41300-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$66.30	1135410-1	CH Bulletin Bars
Total			\$255.97		
139009	12/13/23	Whitebirch, Inc.			
E 204-46500-810		Refund/Reimbursements	\$3,759.91	TIF 1st Half 2	TIF Payment - 1st Half 2023
E 204-46500-810		Refund/Reimbursements	\$3,725.60	TIF 2nd Half	TIF Payment - 2nd Half 2023

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Total			\$7,485.51		
139010	12/13/23	WIDSETH SMITH NOLTING & ASSOC			
E 401-41900-300		Professional Svcs (GENE	\$19,788.48	227149	City Hall Design thru 11/10/23
Total			\$19,788.48		
139011	12/13/23	WSB			
E 401-41900-300		Professional Svcs (GENE	\$17,244.25	R-022038-00	Buschmann Rd & Ranchette Dr Project - OCT 2023
Total			\$17,244.25		
139012	12/13/23	XCEL ENERGY			
E 100-41900-381		Combined Utilities	\$237.31	5166231916	CH Natural Gas Service 10/27/23 - 11/29/23
E 100-43000-381		Combined Utilities	\$237.30	5166231916	PW Natural Gas Service 10/27/23 - 11/29/23
E 100-42100-381		Combined Utilities	\$392.91	5166231916	PD Natural Gas Service 10/27/23 - 11/29/23
E 100-43000-381		Combined Utilities	\$47.78	APR 2023	To Correct Coding Error from 6/14/23 payment
E 100-41900-381		Combined Utilities	(\$47.78)	APR 2023	To Correct Coding Error from 6/14/23 payment
E 100-43000-381		Combined Utilities	\$22.28	AUG 2023	To Correct Coding Error from 9/20/23 payment
E 100-41900-381		Combined Utilities	(\$22.28)	AUG 2023	To Correct Coding Error from 9/20/23 payment
E 100-41900-381		Combined Utilities	\$750.60	DEC 2022	To Correct Coding Error from 1/18/23 payment
E 100-43000-381		Combined Utilities	(\$750.60)	DEC 2022	To Correct Coding Error from 1/18/23 payment
E 100-41900-381		Combined Utilities	\$591.31	FEB 2023	To Correct Coding Error from 3/13/23 payment
E 100-42100-381		Combined Utilities	(\$591.31)	FEB 2023	To Correct Coding Error from 3/13/23 payment
E 100-41900-381		Combined Utilities	\$634.16	JAN 2023	To Correct Coding Error from 2/13/23 payment
E 100-42100-381		Combined Utilities	(\$634.16)	JAN 2023	To Correct Coding Error from 2/13/23 payment
E 100-41900-381		Combined Utilities	\$31.29	JUL 2023	To Correct Coding Error from 8/09/23 payment
E 100-43000-381		Combined Utilities	(\$31.29)	JUL 2023	To Correct Coding Error from 8/09/23 payment
E 100-43000-381		Combined Utilities	\$30.80	JUN 2023	To Correct Coding Error from 7/12/23 payment
E 100-41900-381		Combined Utilities	(\$30.80)	JUN 2023	To Correct Coding Error from 7/12/23 payment
E 100-41900-381		Combined Utilities	\$418.00	MAR 2023	To Correct Coding Error from 4/17/23 payment
E 100-42100-381		Combined Utilities	(\$418.00)	MAR 2023	To Correct Coding Error from 4/17/23 payment
E 100-43000-381		Combined Utilities	\$61.80	OCT 2023	To Correct Coding Error from 11/15/23 payment
E 100-41900-381		Combined Utilities	(\$61.80)	OCT 2023	To Correct Coding Error from 11/15/23 payment
Total			\$867.52		
10100			\$83,656.91		

Fund Summary

10100 Primary

100 GENERAL FUND	\$33,511.54
200 ECONOMIC DEV AUTHORITY	\$1,525.00
204 TIF 18-1 NORTHSTAR CENTER	\$7,485.51
270 CEMETERY Special Revenue Fund	\$3,741.00
401 Revolving Capital Fund	\$37,032.73
600 SEWER OPERATING FUND	\$361.13
	\$83,656.91

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10100 Primary					
139013	12/27/23	APH Stores Inc.			
E 600-43250-220		Repair/Maint Supply (GEN	\$116.34	66237724	Sewer Oil and Oil Filters
E 100-43000-220		Repair/Maint Supply (GEN	\$135.54	66238079	PW Oil and Oil Filters
		Total	\$251.88		
139014	12/27/23	AW RESEARCH LABORATORIES INC			
E 600-43250-326		MPCA Permit/Lab Testing	\$51.00	60065	Sewer Testing
		Total	\$51.00		
139015	12/27/23	Best Oil Company			
E 100-43000-212		Motor Fuels	\$1,229.29	5518	PW Dyed Diesel
		Total	\$1,229.29		
139016	12/27/23	BREEZY POINT HARDWARE			
E 600-43250-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$14.99	31198	Sewer Light Bulbs
E 100-41900-401		Maint Buildings	\$13.98	31234	CH Christmas Lights
E 100-41900-401		Maint Buildings	\$16.98	31235	CH Christmas Lights
E 100-45100-210		Operating Supplies (GEN	\$3.99	31280	Parks Tape Flaging
E 600-43250-220		Repair/Maint Supply (GEN	\$11.18	31318	Sewer Hitch & Pin Clip
		Total	\$61.12		
139017	12/27/23	CARGILL INC			
E 100-43000-223		Salt/Sand	\$1,950.93	2908848807	PW Deicer Salt
		Total	\$1,950.93		
139018	12/27/23	CARLSON, NEIL A.			
E 600-43250-331		Travel Expenses / Mileage	\$238.42	Sewer 2023	Sewer Lifts Mileage - 2023
		Total	\$238.42		
139019	12/27/23	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS			
E 100-42100-308		Software / IT Support	\$43.00	41845120823	Internet Service 12/8/23 - 1/7/24
E 100-43000-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$0.54	41845120823	Internet Service 12/8/23 - 1/7/24
E 600-43250-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$20.70	41845120823	Internet Service 12/8/23 - 1/7/24
E 100-41910-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$0.32	41845120823	Internet Service 12/8/23 - 1/7/24
E 100-41900-381		Combined Utilities	\$41.43	41845120823	Internet Service 12/8/23 - 1/7/24
E 100-41300-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$1.07	41845120823	Internet Service 12/8/23 - 1/7/24
E 100-41100-100		Compensation (GENERAL	\$0.32	41845120823	Internet Service 12/8/23 - 1/7/24
G 100-15500		Prepaid Items	\$32.60	41845120823	Internet Service 12/8/23 - 1/7/24
		Total	\$139.98		
139020	12/27/23	Crow Wing County Recorder			
E 100-41910-351		Legal Notices Publishing	\$80.00	122723	PC Resolutions Recording - 2023
		Total	\$80.00		
139021	12/27/23	Crow Wing Power			
E 600-43250-381		Combined Utilities	\$1,289.82	1438703NOV	Sewer Plant
E 600-43250-381		Combined Utilities	\$25.77	1439301NOV	#4 Pond - TSF Pump
E 600-43250-381		Combined Utilities	\$41.92	1460301NOV	Lift Pump 2
E 600-43250-381		Combined Utilities	\$118.81	1501301NOV	Lift Pump 4
E 100-41900-381		Combined Utilities	\$230.85	1516802NOV	City Hall/Maint Bldg 8319 CR 11

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E 100-43000-381		Combined Utilities	\$230.86	1516802NOV	City Hall/Maint Bldg 8319 CR 11
E 600-43250-381		Combined Utilities	\$57.84	1518101NOV	Lift Pump 5 30653 N Lakeview Dr
E 600-43250-381		Combined Utilities	\$41.44	1528301NOV	Lift Pump 3
E 600-43250-381		Combined Utilities	\$222.75	1532601NOV	Lift Pump 1
E 270-49010-381		Combined Utilities	\$36.51	33476401NO	8676 Ski Chalet Dr Pelican Woods Cemetery Well
E 600-43250-381		Combined Utilities	\$68.72	33770501NO	Lift Pump 6
E 600-43250-381		Combined Utilities	\$47.54	33929201NO	Lift Pump 7
E 100-42100-381		Combined Utilities	\$559.64	34120201NO	PD 8361 CR 11
E 600-43250-381		Combined Utilities	\$32.21	34265401NO	#8 Lift Station Sparrow Dr
E 270-49010-381		Combined Utilities	\$26.01	34454801NO	8676 Ski Chalet Dr Pelican Woods Cemetery North
E 100-42100-381		Combined Utilities	\$26.00	34569801NO	8319 N Spruce Dr
E 600-43250-381		Combined Utilities	\$57.03	34613101NO	Lift Pump 9 Airport Rd
E 100-43000-381		Combined Utilities	\$12.89	34856901NO	CSAH 11 & Buschmann Rd Security Light
E 100-43000-381		Combined Utilities	\$25.77	34857001NO	CSAH 11 & Ranchette Dr
E 100-43000-381		Combined Utilities	\$10.00	35276301NO	Breezy Pt Dr Fishing Pier
Total			\$3,162.38		
139022	12/27/23	CTC			
E 100-41300-321		Telephone	\$129.96	21302675	Phone Service 12/12/23 - 1/11/24
E 100-43000-321		Telephone	\$17.95	21302675	Phone Service 12/12/23 - 1/11/24
E 100-42100-321		Telephone	\$300.24	21302675	Phone Service 12/12/23 - 1/11/24
G 100-15500		Prepaid Items	\$259.37	21302675	Phone Service 12/12/23 - 1/11/24
Total			\$707.52		
139023	12/27/23	GOPHER STATE ONE CALL			
E 600-43250-332		Gopher One Locates	\$25.65	3110247	Sewer Locates
Total			\$25.65		
139024	12/27/23	LAKES GAS CO			
E 600-43250-381		Combined Utilities	\$1,028.22	2577083	Sewer Propane
Total			\$1,028.22		
139025	12/27/23	MENARDS- BAXTER			
E 600-43250-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$63.54	11196	Sewer Shovels & Rain Gauges
Total			\$63.54		
139026	12/27/23	PELICAN SQUARE INC			
E 100-43000-212		Motor Fuels	\$80.05	1016610	PW Fuel
Total			\$80.05		
139027	12/27/23	PEQUOT LAKES SANITATION			
E 100-41900-324		Recycling	\$40.00	DEC 2023	Recycling Service - DEC 2023
E 100-41900-381		Combined Utilities	\$74.84	DEC 2023	CH Trash Service - DEC 2023
E 100-42100-381		Combined Utilities	\$49.89	DEC 2023	PD Trash Service - DEC 2023
Total			\$164.73		
139028	12/27/23	PETTY CASH			
E 600-43250-331		Travel Expenses / Mileage	\$18.34	122723	J. Carlson Lifts Mileage Reimbursement 10/14-10/15
E 600-43250-331		Travel Expenses / Mileage	\$18.34	122723	B. Pratt Lifts Mileage Reimbursement 11/18-11/19
E 600-43250-331		Travel Expenses / Mileage	\$18.34	122723	B. Pratt Lifts Mileage Reimbursement 12/9 - 12/10

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E 600-43250-331		Travel Expenses / Mileage	\$18.34	122723	B. Schultz Lifts Mileage Reimbursement 12/2 - 12/3
		Total	\$73.36		
139029	12/27/23	PREMIER AUTO REPAIR			
E 100-42100-220		Repair/Maint Supply (GEN	\$96.58	42358	PD 2022 Ford Explorer Oil Change & Rotate Tires
		Total	\$96.58		
139030	12/27/23	QUADIENT FINANCE USA, INC.			
G 100-15500		Prepaid Items	\$300.00	NOV 23	Postage Refill - NOV 23
		Total	\$300.00		
139031	12/27/23	THE OFFICE SHOP			
E 100-41300-200		General Operating (Suppli	\$50.94	1135798-0	CH Office Supplies
		Total	\$50.94		
139032	12/27/23	VERIZON WIRELESS			
E 600-43250-321		Telephone	\$100.08	9951369091	Sewer Cell Phones 11/11/23 - 12/10/23
E 100-43000-321		Telephone	\$150.12	9951369091	PW Cell Phones 11/11/23 - 12/10/23
		Total	\$250.20		
139033	12/27/23	WIDSETH SMITH NOLTING & ASSOC			
E 602-41950-592		Engineering Costs	\$11,405.44	227704	WW Facility & Sewer Exp Study Engineering Services thru 12/8/23
E 600-43250-303		Engineering Fees	\$778.86	227705	General Engineering Services thru 12/8/23
		Total	\$12,184.30		
		10100	\$22,190.09		

Fund Summary

10100 Primary	
100 GENERAL FUND	\$6,195.94
270 CEMETERY Special Revenue Fund	\$62.52
600 SEWER OPERATING FUND	\$4,526.19
602 Sewer Capital Projects Fund	\$11,405.44
	\$22,190.09

CITY OF BREEZY POINT
RESOLUTION 01-2024

A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AUTHORITY TO CONDUCT ELECTRONIC FUND TRANSFERS

WHEREAS, at appropriate times is it necessary for the City staff to transfer funds to conduct regular City Business; and

WHEREAS, the transfer of funds is done electronically; and

WHEREAS, Minnesota State Statue 471.38, Subd. 3 requires that cities make an annual delegation of authority to make electronic funds transfer to a Chief Financial Officer.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Administrator/Clerk/Treasurer is designated with the authority to make electronic funds transfer.

Rebecca Ball: _____

Brad Scott: _____

Steve Jensen: _____

Angel Zierden: _____

Michael Moroni: _____

Adopted this 2nd Day of January 2024

Mayor Angel Zierden

Attest:

David C. Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk

CITY OF BREEZY POINT
RESOLUTION 2-2024

A RESOLUTION SETTING THE OFFICIAL 2024 POLLING LOCATION FOR THE CITY OF
BREEZY POINT

WHEREAS, per Minnesota Statute 204B.16 subd.1 the governing body of each municipality must designate by ordinance or resolution a polling place by December 31st of each year;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Breezy Point City Council that that the official polling location for the calendar year 2024 for the City of Breezy Point is:

Breezy Point City Hall
8319 County Road 11
City of Breezy Point, MN 56472

Rebecca Ball: _____

Brad Scott: _____

Steve Jensen: _____

Angel Zierden: _____

Michael Moroni: _____

Adopted this 2nd day of January 2024.

Mayor Angel Zierden

Attest:

David C. Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk

CITY OF BREEZY POINT
RESOLUTION 03-2024

A RESOLUTION APPOINTING ELECTION JUDGES FOR 2024 ELECTIONS

WHEREAS, Presidential Primary, Primary, and General Elections will be held in the City of Breezy Point in 2024; and,

WHEREAS, Election Judges must undertake training for certification from the Crow Wing County Auditor’s Office and be appointed by the Breezy Point City Council; and,

WHEREAS, Election Head Judge will be paid at a rate of \$17.00 per hour and \$15.00 per hour for all other judges who serve, and the City will provide lunch and dinner meals for all judges.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council appoints Election Judges for the 2024 Presidential Primary, Primary, and General Elections, as on file in the Deputy Clerks office, and to authorize the City Administrator/Clerk to fill any vacancies that may occur.

Rebecca Ball: _____

Brad Scott: _____

Steve Jensen: _____

Angel Zierden: _____

Michael Moroni: _____

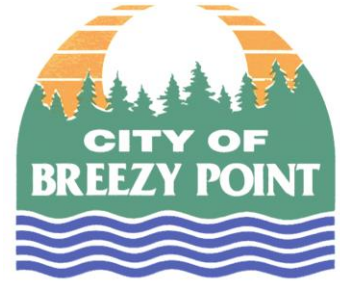
Adopted this 2nd day of January 2024.

Mayor Angel Zierden

Attest:

David C. Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: David Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk
RE: 2024 Tort Liability Waiver
DATE: January 2, 2024



When the City renews its insurance through the League of Minnesota Cities Insurance Trust, LMCIT asks the City to review whether or not we want to waive municipal tort liability limits. This decision is an annual election made by the City Council. The City has not waived the monetary tort limits in the past. The City has liability coverage in the amount of \$2,000,000. This is the standard amount provided by LMCIT. The City can carry additional excess liability coverage without waiving the statutory tort limits. As you may recall we had additional coverage beyond this for paramedic coverage as well. This additional coverage is now limited to the contract alone.

The State of Minnesota has established tort limits for cities. Currently the limit established as a single claimant is \$500,000. The total tort liability with multiple claimants for a single occurrence is \$1,500,000. The league increased its minimum liability coverage for cities to \$2,000,000. The minimum was increased in part to protect cities and also to provide additional coverage for those claims that are not covered by the statutory tort limit. If the City does not waive the statutory limit we have coverage up to that amount for a claim that is not subject to the tort limits.

If the council chooses to waive the limits, a single claimant could potentially recover up to \$2,000,000 for a single occurrence, and there is not limit to the number of claimants per occurrence. In this case, excess coverage would need to be purchased in increments of \$1,000,000 up to \$5,000,000. Underwriting would need to determine our additional costs.

Again, the City has never waived the tort liability limit, and staff recommends we continue this practice.

Council Action

Staff recommends that the City does not waive the statutory tort liability limits for 2024.

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: David Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk
RE: 2024 Fee Schedule
DATE: January 2, 2024



Background

The City sets a fee schedule each year. Attached is the proposed fee schedule for 2024. There are only a few changes to the 2024 fee schedule, and they are:

- Columbaria
 - o Fees increase slightly each year to cover the City’s costs. The proposed increase in 2024 is \$20 for each tier.
- E911 Signs
 - o Staff has seen steady increases in the cost of E911 signs, posts, and labor. Therefore, staff is recommending the following increases:
 - New Sign: Increase from \$75 to \$90
 - Replacement Sign: Increase from \$40 to \$50
 - Replacement Post: Increase from \$10 to \$15
 - Replacement Post Install: Increase from \$15 to \$20
- Equipment
 - o Equipment rental costs have not been increased in 2 years. With the increases in labor, fuel, maintenance, and replacement costs over the last 2 years, the fees listed in the attached fee schedule are a 10% increase across the board.

Council Action

Staff recommends that the City Council adopted Resolution 04-2024, setting a fee schedule from 2024.

CITY OF BREEZY POINT
RESOLUTION 04-2024

A RESOLUTION SETTING FEES AND CHARGES FOR 2024
FOR THE CITY OF BREEZY POINT

WHEREAS, The City of Breezy Point Code of Ordinances requires the setting of fees and charges on a periodic basis through a city council resolution; and

WHEREAS, fees and charges are reviewed on an annual basis to determine if they meet the expense of providing service; and

WHEREAS, a resolution is needed to set fees for 2024;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following fees and charges shall be set and established upon passage of this resolution for 2024.

LICENSING RELATED

<u>Type of Fee</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Authority</u>
3.2 Percent Malt Liquor On-sale	\$100.00	§110.033 (A)
3.2 Percent Malt Liquor Off-sale	\$50.00	§110.033 (A)
3.2 Percent Malt Liquor Combination On & Off-sale	\$135.00	§110.033 (A)
3.2 Malt Liquor License, Temporary	\$25.00	§110.033 (A)
Background Check Fee	\$500.00	§110.002 (C)(1)
Background Check Fee, Renewal	\$100.00	§110.002 (C)(1)
Brew Pub On-Sale	\$250.00	§110.033 (A)
Chicken Permit - Initial	\$35.00	§90.43
Chicken Permit - Renewal	\$15.00	§90.43
Club Licenses: Under 200 members:	\$100.00	§110.033 (A)
201-500 members:	\$150.00	§110.033 (A)
501-1000 members:	\$250.00	§110.033 (A)
Consumption and Display	\$100.00	§110.033 (A)
Consumption and Display – 1 day	\$25.00	§110.091 (D)
Dog License	\$20.00/life dog	§90.06 (B)
Duplicate License Fee	\$2.00	§110.002
Golf Cart Fee	\$20.00	§70.043 (F)
Duplicate License Fee	\$2.00	
Growler Off-Sale	\$25.00	§110.033 (A)
Kennel Permit	\$35.00	§90.12
Liquor License On-Sale	\$2,000.00	§110.033 (A)
Liquor License Off-Sale	\$240.00	§110.033 (A)
Liquor Sunday On-Sale	\$200.00	§110.033 (A)
Liquor, Temporary	\$25.00	§110.033 (A)
Pawn Broker Fee	\$1,000.00	§113.15 (A)
Pawn Broker Transaction Fee	\$2.00/transaction	§113.15 (B)
Sexually Oriented Business (SOB)	\$3,000.00	§114.
SOB Background investigation Fee	\$500.00	§114.22 (C)
Stable Permit	\$100.00	§90.33
Transient Merchant Permit	\$25.00/2 day	§111.02
Transient Merchant Park Permit	\$250.00	§111.02
Wine On-sale	\$250.00	§110.033 (A)
Wine Off-Sale, Temporary	\$100.00	§110.033 (A)

MISCELLANEOUS FEES

<u>Type of Fee</u>	<u>Fee</u>	
Filing Fee - Affidavit of Candidacy	\$10.00	\$31.06
Abatement Application	\$1,000.00 & \$5,000.00 deposit*	
After the fact permit/application	Double the fee & expenses	
Certifying to taxes	\$50.00 per occurrence	
NSF Check fee	\$30.00	
TIF Application Fee	\$1,000.00 & \$5,000.00 deposit*	

*All out of pocket expenses of the city shall be paid by applicant. An escrow deposit for expenses may be required.

PROPERTY RELATED FEES

<u>Type of Fee</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Authority</u>
After the Fact Zoning Permits	\$100.00	§153.122
Amendment, Ordinance	\$250.00	§153.122
Amendment, Zoning Map	\$250.00*	§153.122
Appeal, Planning Commission	\$100.00*	§153.122
Appeal of PC, City Council	\$100.00*	§153.118
Comprehensive Plan Amendment	\$350.00*	§153.122
Conditional Use, Residential (Including PUD)	\$250.00*	§153.122
Conditional Use, Commercial (Including PUD)	\$350.00*	§153.122
Culvert (delivered/12" diameter/25 ft. black hdpe)	\$225.00	
E911 Address Request	\$90.00	
E911 Replacement Sign	\$50.00	
E911 Replacement Post	\$15.00	
E911 Replacement Post Install	\$20.00	
Fill/Excavation (Ordinance Required)	\$50.00	§153.122
Interim Use, Commercial	\$350.00*	§153.122
Interim Use, Residential	\$250.00*	§153.122
Mailbox Support	\$95.00	
Mailbox Support Install	\$30.00	
Short Term Rental License	\$300.00	§115.003
Sign Impoundment Release	\$50.00	§153.061
Sign Impoundment Release subsequent	\$100.00	§153.061
Special Meeting Fee	\$250.00	§153.122
Street Renaming Petition	\$100.00 + Sign cost	§70.023
Street Vacation	\$250.00	§70.024 (F)(2)
Subdivision, Platting Application	\$400.00* + \$10/lot	§152.94
Subdivision, Administrative	\$50.00	§152.94
Subdivision, Metes and Bounds	\$150.00	§152.94
Variance, Commercial	\$350.00	§153.122
Variance, Residential	\$250.00	§153.122
Zoning Permits (includes signs)	\$50.00	§153.122

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Building Permit Fees

1994 Fee Schedule

MS §326B.121

Plan review 65% of Bldg. Permit Fee
 Plan review of similar plans meeting 1300.0160
 subd. 6 25% of Bldg. permit Fee
 State Surcharge amount is equivalent to one half mil (.0005) of the fee or \$1.00
 for all fixed fee permits.
 State surcharge fees shall be in accordance with MN Statutes, Chapter 326B.

Total Valuation

Fee

\$1.00 to \$500.00	\$21.00
\$501.00 to 2,000.00	\$21.00 for the first \$500.00 plus \$2.75 for each additional \$100.00, or fraction thereof, to and including \$2000.00.
\$2,001.00 to \$25,000.00	\$62.25 for the first \$2,000.00 plus \$12.50 for each additional 1,000.00, or fraction thereof, to and including \$25,000.00.
\$25,001.00 to \$50,000.00	\$349.75 for the first \$25,000.00 plus \$9.00 for each additional \$1,000.00, or fraction thereof, to and including \$50,000.00.
\$50,001.00 to \$100,000.00	\$574.75 for the first \$50,000.00 plus \$6.25 for each additional \$1,000.00, or fraction thereof, to and including \$100,000.00.
\$100,001.00 to \$500,000.00	\$887.25 for the first \$100,000.00 plus \$5.00 for each additional \$1,000.00, or fraction thereof, to and including \$500,000.00.
<u>Building Permit Fees cont.</u>	
\$500,001.00 to \$1,000,000.00	\$2,887.25 for the first \$500,000.00 plus \$4.25 for each additional \$1,000.00, or fraction thereof, to and including \$1,000,000.00.
\$1,000,001.00 and up	\$5,012.25 for the first \$1,000,000.00 plus \$2.75 for each additional \$1,000.00, or fraction thereof.
Demolition /Moving Building	\$50.00 & \$1.00 surcharge
Fence (over 6' in height)	\$40.00 & \$1.00 surcharge
Fireplace	\$50.00 & \$1.00 surcharge
After the fact building permit fee penalty	Shall be equal to building permit Fee
Mechanical (New Residential)	\$100.00/unit & \$1.00 surcharge
Mechanical (Replace Existing Residential)	\$35.00/unit & \$1.00 surcharge

Building Permit Fees Cont.

Plumbing Fee (Residential) \$7.00/opening & \$1.00 surcharge

Re-Inspection Fee	\$40 per inspection
Re-Roof (Residential)	\$35.00 & \$1.00 surcharge
Re-Side (Residential)	\$35.00 & \$1.00 surcharge
Retaining Wall (Over 4ft)	\$40.00 & \$1.00 surcharge
Water Heater - Gas	\$35.00 & \$1.00 surcharge
Other Maintenance Work as determined by the Building Official	\$40.00 & \$1.00 surcharge
Refund Policy	Requests must be made in writing by permit applicant before any work has started. The applicant shall be responsible for 100% of plan review fee. All other fees shall be refunded.
Permit Expiration	Each permit issued shall expire if the work authorized by the permit is not commenced within 180 days from the date issued, or if a new inspection has not been scheduled or conducted for a period of 180 days after the last inspection.
Reissuance of Expired Permit	50% of building permit fee (plus plan review fee, if changes have been made to original plans)

Commercial Mechanical and Plumbing fees are based on valuation.
 Manufactured home install fees shall be based on the valuation of on-site work only.

UTILITY RELATED FEES

<u>Type of Fee</u>	<u>Fee</u>	<u>Authority</u>
Sewer Availability Charge	\$3,250.00	§53.08 (C)(5)
Sewer main Charge – Prior 2011 projects	\$4,288.20	§53.08 (C)(2&3)
Sewer Connection Permit	\$75.00	§50.02
Sewer Disconnection Fee	\$75.00	§50.02
Sewer Re-connection Fee	\$75.00	§52.04 (B)
Sewer Service per ERU	\$75.00/quarter	§50.02
Quarterly Sewer Charge per ERU	\$75.00	§50.02
Sewer Administrative Fee, Delinquent	\$25.00	§50.04 (A)
Sewer Late Fee	10% of unpaid balance	§50.04
Minimum Charge Metered Sewer Fee/Quarter <small>(Includes first 12,000 gal)</small>		§53.11
5/8 inch	\$57.64	
¾ inch	\$62.70	
1 inch	\$64.79	
1 ½ inch	\$66.85	
Larger or special meters	to be determined at time of installation	
Additional Flow above 12,000 gallons	\$8.82/1000	

UTILITY RELATED FEES CONT.

Water Meter Charges		
5/8 inch with remote read		\$110.25
¾ inch with remote read		\$149.10
1 inch with remote read		\$178.50
Larger or special meters		Cost plus handling

CHARGES FOR SERVICES

<u>Type of Fee</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Assessment Searches	\$15.00
Ball Field Reservation	\$10.00
Community Room Rental -	
City Activity + Gov't meetings	no charge
Local Youth Club/Events	no charge / 1 inside event per month
Local School District/Community Education	no charge
All other uses	\$50/hour with minimum 2 hour rental
Copy of meeting Audio	\$5.00
Copy of meeting DVD	\$5.00
Copies:	\$.25/copy
2-sided	\$.50/copy
Certified	\$.50/copy
Color	\$1.00
Documentation Search	Loaded labor rate, first 30 minutes-no charge
Park Pavilion Reservation, Large	\$25.00
Park Pavilion Reservation, Small	\$10.00
Police CD/DVD	\$5.00
Slow Moving Vehicle Signs	\$15.00

**Equipment Rental Rates
Rates include operator**

<u>Type of Fee</u>	<u>Fee</u>
Mobilization Fee (all rentals)	\$242.00
1 Ton Dump Truck	\$90.75
1 Ton Utility Box & Crane	\$90.75
Dump/Gravel Truck	\$160.00
D-5 Cat Dozer w/Trailer	\$181.50
310 5C Ext-Hoe Backhoe/Loader	\$133.00
New Holland 90HP Tractor	\$90.75
930G CAT Wheel Loader (3 yd bucket)	\$157.50
Skid Steer 247 CAT	\$154.50
Motor Grader 135UF	\$181.50
Trailer Mount Sewer Jetter	\$181.50
1800 Water Tanker	\$102.75
Bobcat 5600 Toolcat	\$115.00
JD 27 mini-excavator	\$121.00
Misc w/trucks – sanders, plows	No charge, salt/sand at cost

**Equipment Rental Rates
Without Operator**

<u>Type of Fee</u>	<u>Fee</u>
50 KW Portable Generator	\$90.75
5 KW Portable Generator	24.5
Trash Pump 300GPM	24.5

Delivery Charge \$121.00.00 plus mileage over 50 miles

**PELICAN WOODS CEMETERY
RELATED FEES / CHARGES FOR SERVICES**

COLUMBARIA:	<u>Price</u>	<u>Property Owner 20% Discount</u>	<u>Total</u>
Upper Tier Niche	\$1,440.00	288.00	\$1,152.00
Middle Tier Niche	\$1,340.00	268.00	\$1,072.00
Lower Tier Niche	\$1,240.00	248.00	\$992.00
Shallow Niche – Ends (Discount of \$100 from above tier pricing)			
Columbarium Opening/Closing: Overtime charge * \$150.00 (over 2 hours additional \$100.00/hour)			

Pelican Woods Cemetery cont.

<u>Type of Fee</u>	<u>Price</u>	<u>Property Owner 20% Discount</u>	<u>Total</u>
DEEDED BURIAL RIGHTS:			
Category 1 (one lot – one burial right)	\$600.00	120.00	\$480.00
Category 2 (one lot – two burial rights)	\$840.00	168.00	\$672.00
Category 3 (one lot – three burial rights)	\$1,080.00	216.00	\$864.00
Category 4 (one lot – four burial rights)	\$1,320.00	264.00	\$1,056.00
Category 5 (one lot – five burial rights)	\$1,560.00	312.00	\$1,248.00
Category 6 (one lot – six burial rights)	\$1,800.00	360.00	\$1,440.00
Phase I, Block 18 (individual cremain sites)	\$350.00	70.00	\$280.00
Select Lots: one cremain site	\$450.00	90.00	\$360.00
Select Lots: two cremain sites	\$550.00	110.00	\$440.00
(Additional burial rights on the same lot, purchased after the original purchase - \$300.00)			

Discounts available to property owners in Breezy Point.

INTERMENT / Traditional Burial

Full Opening (summer/winter) \$400.00/\$500.00
Overtime charge * - \$300.00 (over 2 hours additional \$100.00/hour)

INURNMENT / Cremation

Cremains (summer/winter) \$200.00/\$300.00
Overtime charge * - \$150.00 (over 2 hours additional \$100.00/hour)

* Overtime charged for all burials outside business hours (8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Monday - Friday).

MARKER INSTALLATION:

Family Marker \$100.00
Individual Marker \$50.00

Rebecca Ball _____

Brad Scott _____

Steve Jensen _____

Angel Zierden _____

Michael Moroni _____

Adopted this 2nd day of January 2024.

Attest:

Mayor Angel Zierden

David Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: David Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk
RE: Request to Use City Property for Event Parking
DATE: January 2, 2024



Background

The City has received a request from Mike Wendt with North Central Bass to use the City’s vacant property to the east of the baseball field as overflow parking for a fishing tournament on Sunday, July 14. See the attached request letter.

Council Action

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the request to use City property for event parking on Sunday, July 14.

North Central Bass Singles Series
Mike Wendt; Tournament Director
8844 Riley Ln.
Brainerd, MN 56401

Date: 12/17/2023

City Council of Breezy Point
c/o David C. Chanski

Request: City permission to utilize boat access and overflow parking at East Ball Field lot on 7/14/2024

Dear David and Members of Breezy Point City Council,

I, Mike Wendt, am formally requesting permission, on behalf of North Central Bass, to utilize the city owned boat access and overflow parking lot, located East of the City ball field on Sunday July 14th, for the purposes of a bass fishing tournament.

The event hours are from 7am to 3pm, with all pre- and post-tournament activities being held out of Dockside at Breezy Point Resort. The event is open to 50 boats, however, based on history, I anticipate the number of competitors to be closer to 30. The event has a required pre-tournament meeting at 6:45am, with take-off being at 7am. Weigh-in follows the event starting at 3pm and is usually completed within an hour, or less. Anglers are allowed to utilize any boat access, however, with the event being held in Breezy Bay, I expect this access to receive the most use. North Central Bass last held an event on Pelican Lake in July of 2022, and there were no issues to my knowledge, and the field East of the City Ball field, easily accommodated the parking needs.

Per the MN DNR, a parking plan is now required as part of the permitting process. The plan states that tournament anglers cannot utilize more than 50% of the parking places of the combined accesses, on said body of water. If more than 50% of parking places are needed, an alternative parking plan is needed. Example: private party parking, city streets or parking lots, dining establishments, etc., all of which would require permission.

Associated with the parking plan, there is also concern of congestion at the access. As I have fished tournaments in the Brainerd Lakes Area for the last 15 years, I have seen that the congestion is minimal and very controlled. Many anglers arrive very early to beat the traffic, and those that are not so early are both patient and helpful. Competing anglers assist other anglers, both competitors and non-competitors, to keep the flow of boats in and out, moving quickly. I see this as being at worst a minor inconvenience, and at best a non-issue.

I hope that this letter satisfies any questions and concerns, and grants permission for North Central Bass to utilize the city boat access and overflow parking.

Respectfully,
North Central Bass Singles Series
Mike Wendt; Tournament Director
320-583-3540
northcentralbass@gmail.com

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: David Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk
RE: 2024 Organizational Resolution & Committee Appointments
DATE: January 2, 2024



Background

At the City Council meeting on January 2, 2024, the City Council will approve its annual organizational resolution as required by State Statute. This resolution sets appointments and meeting times for the year.

Committee Openings

Below are the committee openings as of January 1, 2024 as well as Mayor Zierden’s nominations for each position:

- Cemetery Commission: 2 seats
 - Gary Bakken
 - Tia McMonigal

- Parks & Recreation: 2 seats
 - Jim McKeller
 - Diane Williams

- Planning Commission: 1 seat
 - Roger Theis

City Council Appointments

In addition to the citizen appointments listed above, there are a number of positions that members of the City Council fill that will need to be appointed. They are:

- Acting Mayor
- Joint Powers Board Regular Member
- Joint Powers Board Alternate
- Heartland Cable Commission Member
- Cemetery Commission Liaison
- Parks & Recreation Committee Liaison
- Planning Commission Liaison

Over the last few months, staff has received comments from councilmembers about the liaison positions and the future of council liaisons. Options to consider include (but are not limited to):

- Keep liaisons in their current capacity (i.e. expected to show up to each committee meeting and provide reports back to the Council).
- Assign liaisons but identify when they are required to attend meetings (e.g. only attend when the City Council is directly sending something to a committee for consideration or when requested by the committee).
- Appoint the Mayor as the “universal” liaison who represents the Council to all committee as needed (see above).
- Eliminate council liaisons entirely. Staff will liaison between the Council and committees. Councilmembers may attend committee meetings as they choose (quorums should still be avoided).

City Council Meetings

Throughout 2023, City Council meetings have, on average, lasted over 3 hours. Much of this is due to the amount of work the City Council has set before it. While the City Council has held numerous workshops over the year to work through numerous topics and projects, this has not seemed to have any effect on meeting lengths.

Throughout the year, staff received many comments about the length of City Council meetings and the drain they are on councilmembers, staff, and the public. Current projects such as Buschmann Road and city hall will continue into 2024, and the City Council intends to commence work on new projects such as the City Code and a Streets CIP. Without some kind of change to the structure of meetings or their proceedings, staff sees little change to the length of meetings occurring.

Staff has prepared a separate memo on this issue (attached) and is recommending that the City Council also discuss the meeting date and times of their meetings for 2024.

Council Action

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the Mayor’s nominations for appointments, determine council appointments and meetings, and then adopt Resolution 05-2024, making annual appointments and designations for the organization structure for the City of Breezy Point for the year 2024.

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: David Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk

RE: City Council Meetings in 2024

DATE: December 15, 2023



Background

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Bi-monthly City Council Meetings

In an effort to reduce the length of City Council meetings, the City Council could consider moving to bi-monthly meetings. The cities of Brainerd, Crosby, Baxter, Little Falls, and Staples as well as the Crow Wing County Board meet twice each month. Meeting twice each month does have multiple advantages:

- Bi-monthly meetings would allow staff to strategically schedule agenda items to reduce the length of meeting agendas.
 - o Agendas often become crowded under the current meeting schedule as the Council only meets once per month and many items cannot wait a month for consideration.

- Bi-monthly meetings would allow the City Council more time to consider issues.
 - o Currently, the City Council is often put into a position to make a decision on an issue as delaying a decision one month may have adverse consequences such as missing a submission or approval deadline, causing cost proposals to increase, extending the length of a project, or allowing an issue to become more severe.

- Bi-monthly meetings would provide the City Council opportunity to meet at different times.
 - o For example, the City of Jenkins City Council meets on the 2nd Monday and the 4th Tuesday. Additionally, the City Council could have one meeting time for the 1st meeting of the month and a different meeting time for the 2nd meeting of the month.
- Bi-monthly meetings would allow the City Council to designate certain meetings for certain topics.
 - o For example, the City Council could implement policy that states public hearings will only be conducted during the 1st meeting of the month.

Workshops

When it comes to the future of workshops, the City Council also has options.

- The City Council could continue to schedule workshops to discuss issues as needed or desired.
- The City Council could schedule workshops to take place before each regularly scheduled City Council meeting.
 - o The City of Baxter holds workshops before regular council meetings and the City of Brainerd holds their council committee meetings before their regular meetings.
- The City Council could schedule standing workshops for another day during the month.
 - o The Crow Wing County Board has regular meetings on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday and Committee of the Whole (essentially a workshop) on the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Staff Recommendation

Staff recommends that the City Council consider moving to bi-monthly meetings beginning February 2024. Additionally, staff recommends that the City Council consider scheduling standing workshops for 5:00pm before each City Council meeting.

CITY OF BREEZY POINT
RESOLUTION 05-2024

A RESOLUTION MAKING ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS AND
DESIGNATIONS FOR THE ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE
FOR THE CITY OF BREEZY POINT FOR THE YEAR 2024

WHEREAS, each year the City Council makes appointments for individuals to serve on various committees and commissions. These include City Council members and citizens. There are also annual designations needed for the efficient and lawful requirements of the city.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the following appointments and designations are hereby made:

		<u>Term</u>
Acting Mayor	Michael Moroni	12-31-24
City Council Meetings	6:30 PM, 1 st and 3 rd Monday	
City Council Workshops	5:00 PM, 1 st and 3 rd Monday	
Cemetery Comm. Meetings	3 rd Wednesday 1:30 pm	
Cemetery Comm. Liaison	[insert]	12-31-24
Cemetery Commission	er Gary Bakken	12-31-26
Cemetery Commission	er Tia McMonigal	12-31-26
Parks & Recreation Meetings	2 nd Thursday, 5:00pm	
Parks & Recreation Liaison	[insert]	12-31-24
Parks & Recreation Member	Diane Williams	12-31-26
Parks & Recreation Member	Jim McKeller	12-31-26
Planning Comm. Meetings	2 nd Tuesday 7:00 pm	
Planning Comm. Liaison	[insert]	12-31-24
Planning Commissioner	Roger Theis	12-31-26
Joint Powers Board	[insert]	12-31-25
Joint Powers Board Alternate	[insert]	12-31-25
Heartland Cable	[insert]	12-31-24
Heartland Cable	Betty Durand	12-31-24
City Attorney	Joe Langel - Ratwik, Roszak, Maloney	
City Prosecutor	Donald Ryan – Crow Wing County Attorney	
City Auditor	CliftonLarsonAllen, LLP.	
City Engineer	Joe Dubel - Widseth	
Official Depository	Pine River State Bank	
Official Newspaper	Pine and Lakes Echo Journal	

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said appointments periodically need to be made throughout the year as Committee, Commission, and Board members resign or as other needs become apparent. In addition, appointments of consultants may need to be made. Appointments can be filled, as needed, by a majority vote of the council. The Mayor may fill in as an alternate on any committee or position.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that regularly scheduled meetings can be adjusted from time to time by a motion of the body, providing notice is posted concerning the change.

Rebecca Ball: _____

Brad Scott: _____

Steve Jensen: _____

Angel Zierden: _____

Michael Moroni: _____

Adopted this 2nd Day of January 2024

Mayor Angel Zierden

Attest:

David C. Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: Daniel Eick, Assistant City Administrator
RE: Communication Updates
DATE: December 26, 2023



Summary

Throughout the past several weeks, staff has been reviewing the City’s ongoing communication processes to identify and correct shortcomings. This review, originally prompted by feedback from the community, has generated several recommendations from staff to Council. In summary these recommendations include:

- A redesign of the bi-monthly Breezy Brief so the document can serve as a monthly e-newsletter.
- The creation of a quarterly newsletter named the Breezy Brief Bulletin. Additionally, staff recommend this document be mailed directly to residents.
- The creation of a transparency webpage on the City website designed to house critical information and improve web accessibility.

Further details on implementation specifics and associated project costs are outlined below.

Recommendations

1. Redesign of the bi-monthly Breezy Brief to serve as a Monthly E-Newsletter.

As members of the Council know, staff currently prepare a bi-monthly activities report known as the Breezy Brief. This report serves primarily as a record of ongoing activities and projects to aid in communication with Council. Staff recommend redesigning this document to match the E-Newsletter format provided below.

This update should have little to no associated costs apart from staff time. The document would be published digitally on the first Monday of each month and cover the events of the previous month. Publication will include posting the document to the City’s website, Facebook, Nextdoor, and sending directly to all current email and text notification subscribers.

2. Creation of a quarterly mailed newsletter named the Breezy Brief Bulletin.

Based on feedback from the community, staff recommend the City reconsider the creation of a quarterly mailed newsletter. The City Council originally considered the creation of a quarterly newsletter during their Monday, June 5, 2023, Regular

Council Meeting. As a result of that discussion, staff were directed to revise the design as time allowed and bring back for consideration. The revised document is preliminarily named the Breezy Brief Bulletin.

Additionally, staff recommend partnering with Lakes Printing for document distribution as producing the document in house would prove cumbersome. Estimated costs associated with the creation, printing, and mailing of this document are outlined below:

Type	EDDM	Direct Mailer
<i>Printing Costs</i>	\$921.40	\$1,034.50
<i>Postage Costs</i>	\$410	\$675
<i>Total Costs</i>	\$1,331.40	\$1,709.50
<i>Yearly Costs</i>	\$5,325.60	\$6,838
<i>Potential Reach</i>	1,862 mailboxes. May miss seasonal residents and property owners/taxpayers.	2,248 taxpayer addresses. May miss current residents/renters and some may be incorrect.

3. Creation of a transparency webpage/information hub on the City’s website.

While feedback from the community regarding the website has been positive, staff believe the creation of a transparency page/information hub will serve a dual purpose. One, the page will host copies of the previously mentioned e-newsletter and quarterly newsletter to serve as a public record for those documents. Two, the page can function as a point of direction for residents seeking information on ongoing projects, events, or critical documents. This update should have little to no associated costs apart from staff time.

Council Action

Staff recommend the City Council approve all three recommendations outlined above and direct staff to implement all associated changes and developments.



Breezy Brief

E-Newsletter

December 2023

City Administrator’s Office

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Planning and Zoning Department

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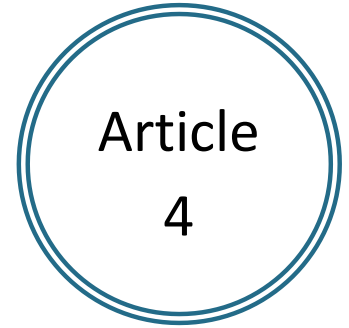
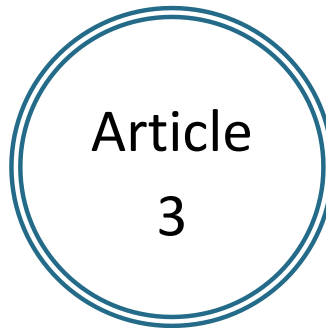
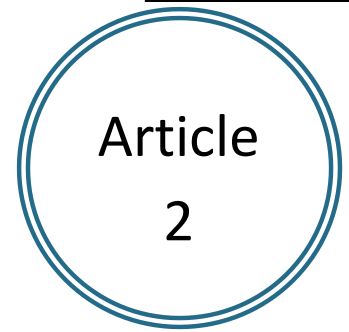
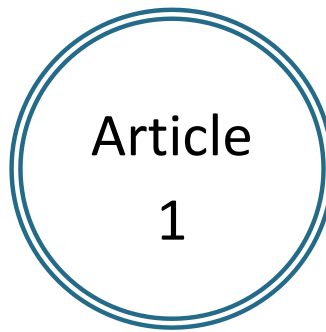
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Daniel Eick

From: Kevin Thesing <kthesing@lakesprinting.com>
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Hello Daniel
We have some information and budgets for you for the city newsletter.

OPTION #1..... Carrier Route mailing

We would print this as an 8 1/2 x 11, two sided full color newsletter. We would fold it in half to 8 1/2 x 5 1/2 and tab it for mailing.
We have identified all of the carrier routes that we think touch within the City of Breezy Point. I have attached a map and route counts for you. This is the type of mailing that the USPS refers to as an EDDM mailing. We refer to it as a carrier route sort. With EDDM the piece has to be a "flat" and the postage is calculated as a flat. With Carrier route we can size the piece as a letter and price the postage based as letter size.
The routes total 1862. This will cost \$921.40 plus postage. Estimated postage would be \$410

OPTION #2.....Addressed using the CWC tax list

We would print this as an 8 1/2 x 11, two sided full color newsletter. We would fold it in half to 8 1/2 x 5 1/2 and tab it for mailing.
We have prepared a mailing list using the CWC tax list and removing any duplicate names. I have attached that list. Each piece would be addressed to a specific person at a specific address.
This totals up to 2248 addresses. This will cost \$1034.50 plus postage. Estimated postage would be \$675

I am sure this will create some questions.
Please let me know how we can be of help.
Kevin Thesig
Lakes Printing
218-824-8152 direct

TO: CITY COUNCIL
FROM: PUBLIC WORKS SUPERVISOR JOE ZIERDEN
MEETING OF: JANUARY 2nd 2024
SUBJECT: OSSAWINNAMAKEE ROAD, GRAF ROAD AND SUNSET STRIP CHIP SEALING

BACKGROUND:

Breezy Point and Ideal Township jointly secured a proposal to chip seal Ossawinnamakee Road, Graf Road and Sunset Strip from Pearson Bros Inc for an estimated cost of \$82,515.37. Breezy Point’s portion of the project would be approximately \$25,979.24 and be paid from the asphalt repair/maintenance operating budget. The remainder of the cost (\$56,536.13) would be billed to Breezy Point and reimbursed by Ideal Township. Ideal Township contracted with Pearson Bros last year and experienced a lower cost than going with Crow Wing County’s collective bid, while also avoiding Crow Wing County’s 10% engineering fee. The costs are estimated based on road dimensions and a cost of \$2.87 per square yard, final cost will be determined by actual material used.

REQUESTED ACTION:

A motion to authorize chip sealing of Ossawinnamakee Road, Graf Road and Sunset Strip Road in partnership with Ideal Township would be appreciated.

Pearson Bros., Inc.

11079 Lamont Avenue N.E. ~ Hanover, MN 55341
Phone: (763) 391-6622 ~ Fax: (763) 391-6627

ATTENTION: Joe Zierden

PHONE #: 218-562-4441 X256
218-820-8809 Mobile

FAX #: JZIERDEN@CITYOFBREEZYPOINTMN.US

JOB LOCATION: City Of Breezy Point
ADDRESS: 8319 Cty Road 11
Breezy Point MN 56472

DATE: Dec 18, 2023

WE HEREBY SUBMIT SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES FOR: (28,750) APPROX. SQUARE YARDS OF BITUMINOUS SEAL COATING.

PRE-SEAL: Area to be swept by Pearson Bros., Inc.

LIQUID APPLICATION: Pearson Bros., Inc. will furnish and install CRS-2P Liquid Asphalt at .26-.32 gallons per square yard.
Fog Seal - CSS-1h 50/50

AGGREGATE COVER: Pearson Bros., Inc. will furnish and install FA-2 Class A 16-22 lbs per square yard.

ROLLING: Entire area shall be rolled with (2) Eleven (11) Wheel Pneumatic Tire Rollers.

PICK-UP SWEEP: Excess rock shall be picked up by and disposed of by Pearson Bros., Inc.

START DATE: No earlier than: May 15, 2024 **COMPLETION DATE:** No later than: Sep 15th, 2024

We Proposed Hereby to Furnish Material and Labor -- Complete in Accordance with the Above Specifications, for the Sum of:
\$25,979.24 (9,052 Sq yards @ \$2.87 per Sq yard) City Of Breezy Point
\$56,536.13 (19,699 Sq yards @ \$2.87 per Sq yard) Ideal Twp
\$82,515.37 Total Cost

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:  _____ *Payment Due Upon Completion*
TODD BARTELS
PEARSON BROS., INC.

ACCEPTANCE OF PROPOSAL -- The above prices, specifications and conditions are satisfactory and are hereby accepted. You are authorized to do the work as specified. Payment will be made as outlined above.
SIGNATURE: _____
DATE: _____

Proposal good for 30 days. Please read and initial disclaimer - Bottom right tab

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: David Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk
RE: Terminal Road and Red Oak Lane Sewer Extension
DATE: January 2, 2024



Background

While working with Mr. Mike Wiebolt of Breezy Land Holdings, LLC on his proposed development along CSAH 11 between Terminal Road and Red Oak Lane, Public Works Supervisor Zierden identified an opportunity to extend sewer along CSAH 11 from Airport Road to the entrances of Terminal Road and Red Oak Lane. This fairly simple, approximately 750-foot extension not only would bring sewer to these two roads, but it would also allow Mr. Wiebolt to connect to sewer and better serve his proposed commercial development.

Sewer Extension Benefits

Terminal Road and Red Oak Lane are two areas of the City that could be well served by municipal sewer and will also likely need to be reconstructed in coming years. Both streets are also comprised of smaller lots that are not large enough individually to be served by septic systems. However, municipal sewer would, in theory, allow each lot to be developed. Staff also believes these two areas would serve as a good case study for future improvement and development of the neighboring minimum maintenance areas.

As for Mr. Wiebolt, he has enough land for his development to be served by a septic system, but municipal sewer would serve his development much better as municipal sewer is more reliable than a septic system, much more cost effective long-term, and would increase his impervious coverage from a maximum of 25% to 50%.

Sewer Extension Feasibility

Staff has received a proposal (attached) from the City Engineer to develop a feasibility report for the proposed extension of sewer along CSAH 11 from Airport Road to Red Oak Lane. The cost of this proposal is \$6,500 and would be paid out of the Sewer Fund.

Council Action

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the attached proposal for a feasibility study for the proposed extension of sewer along CSAH 11 from Airport Road to Red Oak Lane.

Brainerd/Baxter

7804 Industrial Park Road
Baxter MN 56425

218.829.5117
Baxter@Widseth.com
Widseth.com

December 26, 2023

David Chanski – City Administrator
City of Breezy Point
8319 Co. Rd. 11
Breezy Point, MN 56472

Re: Proposal for Professional Services – Hardware Store Sanitary and City Sewer Extension

Honorable Mayor and City Council Members:

It is our understanding City of Breezy Point would like Widseth to evaluate the feasibility and cost split of extending sanitary sewer to a proposed Hardware Store location and how properties may be serviced with sanitary sewer along Terminal Road and Red Oak Lane. Below is the cost and scope of the services requested:

Conceptual Layout

Widseth will provide a layout of the proposed sewer line extension with the properties along both Terminal Rd and Red Oak Ln that a gravity sanitary sewer line can extend to for services.

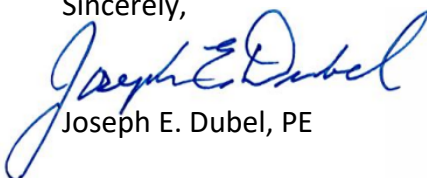
Cost Estimate

- Total Project Estimated Project Costs
- Cost Split Responsibility:
 - City
 - Developer
 - Shared

Widseth proposes to perform the services described above on an hourly basis, in accordance with the attached fee schedule, for the not to exceed amount of \$6,500. If you agree with our proposed scope of services, please sign, and return one copy of this letter to us as our authorization to proceed.

We thank you for giving us the opportunity to submit this proposal and look forward to collaborating with you on this project.


Sincerely,



Joseph E. Dubel, PE

City of Breezy Point
December 26, 2023
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Proposed by Widseth Smith Nolting & Associates, Inc. (WiDSETH)



Aric Welch, PE
Vice President

December 28, 2023

Date

Accepted by City of Breezy Point: The above proposal is satisfactory and WiDSETH is authorized to do the work as specified.

David Chanski – City Administrator

Date



2024 FEE SCHEDULE

CLASSIFICATION	RATE
Engineer/Architect/Surveyor/Scientist/Wetland Specialist/Geographer/Project Manager	
Level I	\$135 / Hour
Level II	\$160 / Hour
Level III	\$185 / Hour
Level IV	\$195 / Hour
Level V	\$205 / Hour
Technician	
Level I	\$ 90 / Hour
Level II	\$115 / Hour
Level III	\$135 / Hour
Level IV	\$150 / Hour
Level V	\$165 / Hour
Computer Systems Specialist	\$175 / Hour
Senior Funding Specialist	\$140 / Hour
Marketing Specialist	\$123 / Hour
Funding Specialist	\$110 / Hour
Administrative Assistant	\$ 82 / Hour

OTHER EXPENSES	RATE
Mileage (Federal Standard Rate) <i>subject to IRS Guidelines</i>	
Meals/Lodging	Cost
Stakes & Expendable Materials	Cost
ATV 4-Wheeler Rental	\$100 / Day
ATV Side by Side Rental	\$200 / Day
Waste Water Sampler	\$40 / Day
ISCO Flow Recorder	\$60 / Day
Photoionization Detection Meter	\$100 / Day
Explosimeter	\$50 / Day
Product Recovery Equipment	\$35 / Day
Survey-Grade GPS (Global Positioning System)	\$75 / Hour
Mapping GPS (Global Positioning System)	\$150 / Day
Lath & Hubs	\$150 / Day
Soil Drilling Rig	\$35 / Hour
Groundwater Sampling Equipment	\$125 / Day
Hydrographic Survey System	\$500 / Day
Subcontractors	Cost plus 10%

REPRODUCTION COSTS	
Black & White Copies: 8-1/2" x 11"	\$0.10 Each
Black & White Copies: 11" x 17"	\$0.50 Each
Black & White Copies: 24" x 36"	\$3 Each
Color Copies: 8-1/2" x 11"	\$2 Each
Color Copies: 11" x 17"	\$4 Each
Color Copies: 24" x 36"	\$12 Each
Color Plots: 42" x 48"	\$22 Each

These rates are effective for only the year indicated and are subject to yearly adjustments which reflect equitable changes in the various components.

TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: David Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk
RE: Chickasaw Sewer and Rezoning
DATE: January 2, 2024



Background

Whitebirch has petitioned for the rezoning of parcels 10171421, 10171422, and 10171423 on Chickasaw Circle from R-1 (Low Density Residential) to R-4 (Multi-Family Residential) for the purpose of constructing 8 townhome units.

The Planning Commission considered this petition on August 8 and unanimously recommended approval of the rezoning to the City Council. However, Whitebirch asked for the final approval by the City Council be delayed while they further investigated the costs to bring sewer to these parcels, which is required for R-4 zoned properties.

Sewer Extension

The City Code requires that properties within R-4 zones (which are intended to be multi-family) be served by municipal sewer. However, Chickasaw Circle is not currently served by municipal sewer, although there is sewer in the vicinity. Following the recommendation from the Planning Commission to approve the requested rezoning, Whitebirch and City Staff worked with the City Engineer to investigate the feasibility of extending sewer to these properties. Additionally, City Staff wanted to see the feasibility of not just extending sewer to these properties but also to the middle of the cul-de-sac on which these properties sit so that the City would be in the position of extending sewer to all of the Chickasaw neighborhood in the future.

The City Engineer came up with 3 different options to extend the sewer to this area with the cheapest having an estimated project cost of \$247,800. If split across the 8 proposed townhome units, that comes to an estimated cost of \$30,975 per unit. Whitebirch has stated that, to make the project work, it needs sewer costs to be in the \$20,000-\$25,000 range per unit.

As staff has looked at this project, a good portion of the estimated cost to extend the sewer is related to extending sewer to the middle of the cul-de-sac for future expansion. If the City Council does not desire to extend sewer to Chickasaw or, at a minimum, does not feel the need to extend the sewer to the cul-de-sac at this time, the cost to Whitebirch to extend sewer to their properties will be reduced.

City Council Direction

During the December 4, 2023 City Council meeting, the City Council requested that the City Engineer further review what the cost split between the City and Whitebirch would be if this to be a joint project.

As show attached, the City Engineer estimates that a truck sewer line brought to the cul-de-sac on Chickasaw could eventually serve 24 parcels in addition to the 8 units proposed by Whitebirch. As such, he is proposing a 64.8%/36.2% split between the City and Whitebirch. This would result in a cost of approximately \$158,104.85 to the City and \$89,674.15 to Whitebirch.

While the City would pay its cost upfront, it could later be assessed to each parcel served by any sewer extension connected to this truckline.

Council Action

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the rezoning of parcels 10171421, 10171422, and 10171423 from R-1 (Low Density Residential) to R-4 (Multi-Family Residential) and provide staff direction whether the City should pursue expanding sewer into the cul-de-sac on Chickasaw.

CHICKASAW SEWER EXTENSION

CITY OF BREEZY POINT & WHITEBIRCH COST PARTICIPATION

OPTION 1 - GRAVITY LINE

Breezy Point, MN

ITEM NO.	SPEC NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	CONTRACT QUANTITY	UNIT	UNIT PRICE	AMOUNT	City 75%	WB 25%	City \$	WB \$	City Trunk Split	WB Trunk Split
1	2021.501	MOBILIZATION	1	LUMP SUM	\$4,000.00	\$4,000.00	0.75	0.25	\$3,000.00	\$1,000.00	City 24 75.00%	Whitebirch 8 25.00%
2	2101.505	CLEARING	0.8	ACRE	\$5,000.00	\$4,000.00	0.60	0.20	\$3,000.00	\$1,000.00	Total Units 32 100.00%	
3	2101.505	GRUBBING	0.8	ACRE	\$2,500.00	\$2,000.00	0.60	0.20	\$1,500.00	\$500.00		
4	2104.504	REMOVE BITUMINOUS PAVEMENT	65	SQ YD	\$6.50	\$422.50	65.0	0.0	\$422.50	\$0.00		
5	2360.509	TYPE SP 9.5 WEARING COURSE MIX (3,C)	6.25	TON	\$100.00	\$625.00	6.25	0.000	\$625.00	\$0.00		
6	2360.509	TYPE SP 12.5 NON-WEARING COURSE MIX (3,B)	8.25	TON	\$90.00	\$742.50	8.25	0.000	\$742.50	\$0.00		
7	2503.503	8" PVC PIPE SEWER (WHITEBIRCH)	200	LIN FT	\$70.00	\$14,000.00	0	200	\$0.00	\$14,000.00		
8	2503.503	8" PVC PIPE SEWER (City)	255	LIN FT	\$70.00	\$17,850.00	255	0	\$17,850.00	\$0.00		
9	2503.503	8" PVC PIPE SEWER (SPLIT)	970	LIN FT	\$70.00	\$67,900.00	727.50	242.50	\$50,925.00	\$16,975.00		
10	2503.602	8"x4" PVC WYE	8	EACH	\$500.00	\$4,000.00	0.00	8.00	\$0.00	\$4,000.00		
11	2503.602	CONNECT TO EXISTING SANITARY LIFT STATION	1	EACH	\$3,500.00	\$3,500.00	0.75	0.25	\$2,625.00	\$875.00		
12	2503.603	4" PVC SANITARY SERVICE PIPE	320	LIN FT	\$60.00	\$19,200.00	0.0	320.0	\$0.00	\$19,200.00		
13	2506.502	CONSTRUCT DRAINAGE STRUCTURE DESIGN 48-4020 (WHIT)	1	EACH	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00	1.0	0.0	\$5,500.00	\$0.00		
13	2506.502	CONSTRUCT DRAINAGE STRUCTURE DESIGN 48-4020 (CITY)	1	EACH	\$5,500.00	\$5,500.00	1.0	0.0	\$5,500.00	\$0.00		
14	2506.502	CONSTRUCT DRAINAGE STRUCTURE DESIGN 48-4020 (SPLIT)	3	EACH	\$5,500.00	\$16,500.00	2.25	0.75	\$12,375.00	\$4,125.00		
15	2573.503	SILT FENCE, TYPE MS	800	LIN FT	\$2.50	\$2,000.00	600.00	200.00	\$1,500.00	\$500.00		
16	2575.505	SEEDING	0.8	ACRE	\$1,100.00	\$880.00	0.60	0.20	\$660.00	\$220.00		
17	2575.508	SEED MIXTURE 25-151	320	POUND	\$7.00	\$2,240.00	240.00	80.00	\$1,680.00	\$560.00		
18	2574.508	FERTILIZER TYPE 3 (10-10-20) (SEEDING)	256	POUND	\$2.50	\$640.00	192.00	64.00	\$480.00	\$160.00		
19	2575.508	HYDRAULIC BONDED FIBER MATRIX	3120	POUND	\$3.00	\$9,360.00	2340.00	780.00	\$7,020.00	\$2,340.00		
ESTIMATED CONSTRUCTION COST:						\$180,860.00			\$115,405.00	\$65,455.00	\$180,860.00	
CONTINGENCIES (15%):						\$27,129.00	15%		\$17,310.75	\$9,818.25	\$27,129.00	
DESIGN:						\$18,086.00	10%		\$11,540.50	\$6,545.50	\$18,086.00	
CONSTRUCTION SERVICES:						\$21,704.00	12%		\$13,848.60	\$7,855.40	\$21,704.00	
TOTAL PROJECT COST:						\$247,800.00			\$158,104.85	\$89,674.15	\$247,800.00	
								63.8%	36.2%	100.0%		

TO: Planning Commission

FROM: Jerry Bohnsack

Meeting of August 8, 2023

Petition to Rezone

Applicant: Whitebirch, Inc.

Legal Desc: OUTLOT A, LOT 1, LOT 2, and LOT 3, BLOCK ONE, WHITEBIRCH VISTA, according to the record plat thereof, Crow Wing County, Minnesota. AND

That part of OUTLOT E, WHITEBIRCH SEVEN, according to the record plat thereof, Crow Wing County, Minnesota described as follows; Commencing at the Southwest corner of Block 3, said plat; Thence North 21 degrees 42 minutes 41 seconds West, assumed bearing along the westerly line of said Block 3, a distance of 1355.00 feet to an angle point thereon; thence North 44 degrees 18 minutes 38 seconds East 121.41 feet to the Southwesterly Right of Way line of County State Aid Highway Number 11 as platted; thence North 45 degrees 41 minutes 22 seconds West along said Right of Way line 350.00 feet to the Point of Beginning of the tract to be herein described; thence South 44 degrees 18 minutes 38 seconds West 150.41 feet; thence North 45 degrees 41 minutes 22 seconds West 150.55 feet to the easterly line of Whitebirch Vista, according to the record plat thereof said County; thence northeasterly along said easterly line 150.41 feet to said westerly Right of Way line; thence South 45 degrees 41 minutes 22 seconds East 150.55 feet to the Point of Beginning.

Property ID: 10170743, 10170744, 10170745, 10170776, 10170777

Current Zoning: R-1 & RC

Applicable Code: §153.031, §153.034, §153.044, §153.045

Request

Whitebirch, Inc. owner of Whitebirch Vista and Outlot E Whitebirch Seven has submitted petition to rezone property currently Zoned R-1 & RC to R-4.

If the petition is approved the owners intend to pursue a Planned Unit Development to construct 4 Duplex TWM Townhomes similar to the Whitebirch Village.

The property access to Whitebirch Vista (a 3 lot subdivision) is from Chickasaw Circle. The property adjacent to County Road 11 on the north, Whitebirch Golf Course on the East and South and Single Family dwelling/lots on the west. The proposed rezoning incorporates a portion of Whitebirch Golf Course (18 holes) with Whitebirch Vista and the Whitebirch Estates CIC. (Existing R-4 development)

Zoning

R-1 Allowed. Single family dwelling

R-4 Allowed with CUP. Residential duplex. Residential PUD. Single and two family.

Owner is currently exploring extension of municipal sanitary sewer to the Chickasaw Circle cul-de-sac. Sewer extension would be necessary component of PUD.

Prior to acting on a Rezoning recommendation the commission will need to find that the proposed development is consistent with the residential uses in the area.

Options:

- 1) Deny Rezoning request because the proposed use is not consistent with the residential use in the area.
- 2) Recommend approval of the request because it is an extension of the R-4 Zone to the East and is consistent with the area residential uses.

CITY OF BREEZY POINT
PETITION FOR REZONING

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Legal Description of Property *see 'exhibit A' ATTACHED*

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Sq. Ft. or Acres
4.90 Acres

Present Zone
R-1 AND RC

Proposed Zone
R-4

Describe briefly the nature and expected effect of the proposed amendment.

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What error in the existing ordinance would be corrected by the proposed amendment?

The error that would be corrected by the proposed amendment would be the fact that municipal sewer is available to this site and fits the criteria for R-4 when combined into a planned unit development.

What changed or changing conditions make the passage of this amendment necessary?

The change that occurred from the original zoning of R-1 to present is the access to sewer availability. Whereas originally when Whitebirch Seven was platted sewer was not available.

Other circumstances which justify the amendment?

The proposed lands to be rezoned to R-4 will be connected to existing R-4 zoning lands.
Municipal sewer can be made available for the development of this property.

Date: 7-21-23

Robert R. Jensen
Applicant's Signature

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Exhibit A

OUTLOT A, LOT 1, LOT 2, and LOT 3, BLOCK ONE, WHITEBIRCH VISTA, according to the record plat thereof, Crow Wing County, Minnesota.

AND

That part of OUTLOT E, WHITEBIRCH SEVEN, according to the record plat thereof, Crow Wing County, Minnesota described as follows; Commencing at the Southwest corner of Block 3, said plat; Thence North 21 degrees 42 minutes 41 seconds West, assumed bearing along the westerly line of said Block 3, a distance of 1355.00 feet to an angle point thereon; thence North 44 degrees 18 minutes 38 seconds East 121.41 feet to the Southwesterly Right of Way line of County State Aid Highway Number 11 as platted; thence North 45 degrees 41 minutes 22 seconds West along said Right of Way line 350.00 feet to the Point of Beginning of the tract to be herein described; thence South 44 degrees 18 minutes 38 seconds West 150.41 feet; thence North 45 degrees 41 minutes 22 seconds West 150.55 feet to the easterly line of Whitebirch Vista, according to the record plat thereof said County; thence northeasterly along said easterly line 150.41 feet to said westerly Right of Way line; thence South 45 degrees 41 minutes 22 seconds East 150.55 feet to the Point of Beginning.

OWNER & DEVELOPER

Robert Spizzo
Whitebirch, Inc.
9252 Breezy Point Drive
Breezy Point, MN 56472

SURVEYOR

Stonemark Land Surveying, Inc.
P.O. Box 874
Pequot Lakes, MN. 56472
ATTN: Patrick A. Trotter

Proposed Whitebirch Village CIC Addition

WHITEBIRCH VISTA

PRELIMINARY PLAT
LOTS 32 THRU 34, BLOCK ONE AND PART OF OUTLOT E, WHITEBIRCH SEVEN,
SECTION 17, TOWNSHIP 136 NORTH, RANGE 28 WEST,
CROW WING COUNTY, MINNESOTA

LEGAL DESCRIPTION

Lots 32, 33, and 34 inclusive, all in Block One, WHITEBIRCH SEVEN, according to the recorded plat thereof, Crow Wing County, Minnesota and that part of Outlot E, said plat, described as follows: Beginning at the common corner of said Lot 31 and 32 on the northerly line of said Outlot E and assuming the westerly line of said Lot 32 bears North 39 degrees 47 minutes 50 seconds East; thence South 39 degrees 47 minutes 50 seconds West along the southwesterly extension of said westerly line 69.49 feet; thence South 48 degrees 47 minutes 13 seconds East 40.40 feet; thence North 89 degrees 54 minutes 08 seconds East 441.64 feet; thence North 17 degrees 45 minutes 20 seconds East 188.77 feet to the easterly line of said Lot 33; thence South 44 degrees 20 minutes 38 seconds West along said easterly line 139.39 feet; thence South 86 degrees 13 minutes 38 seconds West along the southerly lines of said Lots 33 and 32 for a distance of 358.00 feet; thence North 53 degrees 17 minutes 58 seconds West along said southerly line 38.00 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

CONTOUR INFORMATION

Contours shown have been digitized from Crow Wing County GIS Site.
Contour Interval is 2 feet as shown on this drawing.

SOIL DATUM

The United States Department of Agriculture Web Soil Survey indicates soil in the proposed platted area to be classified as "D83D - Eutrudepts-Grayash-Rollins complex, pitted, 10 to 20 percent slopes" and "D84D - Eutrudepts-Grayash-Rollins complex, 10 to 20 percent slopes."

ZONING

Current zoning is Low Density Residential (R-1) on Lots 32-34 and Resort Commercial (RC) on Outlot E.

VEGETATION AND TOPOGRAPHIC ALTERATIONS

The plat will consist of 3 lots for residential purposes. Each lot will support residential improvements where vegetation and land alterations will occur for the construction of homes, garages, drives, sewer systems, and other appropriate residential amenities.

UTILITIES

All lots have been designed large enough to allow for two (2) possible drainfield sites as shown on the plat. Drainfield sites must meet all setback requirements as set forth in the county's or city's ordinances. All lots will be served by private wells for their individual water supply.

EROSION CONTROL PLAN

1. All ground disturbed by construction is to be stabilized as soon as possible using seed and mulch turf establishment
2. Maintain vegetation along property lines and areas undisturbed by construction
3. No filling or disturbing wet land(s) areas.
4. Silt fences shall be placed at edge of wet lands during construction.

EXISTING AREAS

Lot 32 = 49,847 sq. ft.
Lot 33 = 47,530 sq. ft.
Lot 34 = 57,431 sq. ft.
Portion of Outlot E = 38,062 sq. ft.

PROPOSED AREAS

Lot 1 = 54,483 sq. ft.
Lot 2 = 51,714 sq. ft.
Lot 3 = 82,809 sq. ft.
Outlot A = 21,883 sq. ft.

Owner: Roger & Judith Jensen
7841 Chickasaw Circle
Pequot Lakes, MN 56472
Zoning: Low Density Residential (R-1)
FID #: 10170746

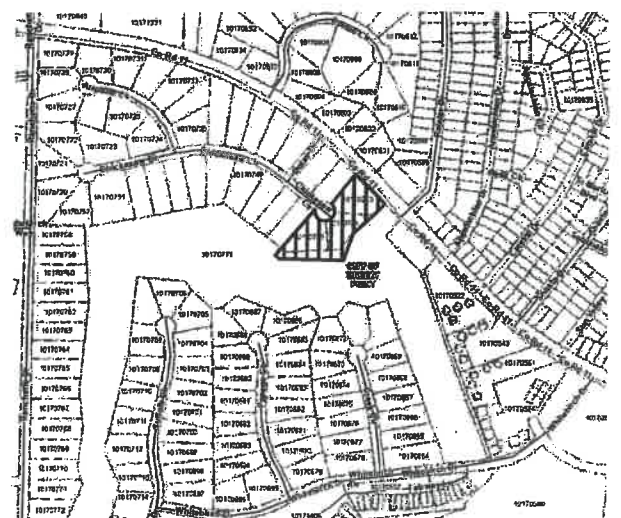
Owner: Whitebirch, Inc.
78419252 Breezy Point Drive
Breezy Point, MN 56472
Zoning: Resort Commercial (RC)
FID #: 10170776



LEGEND

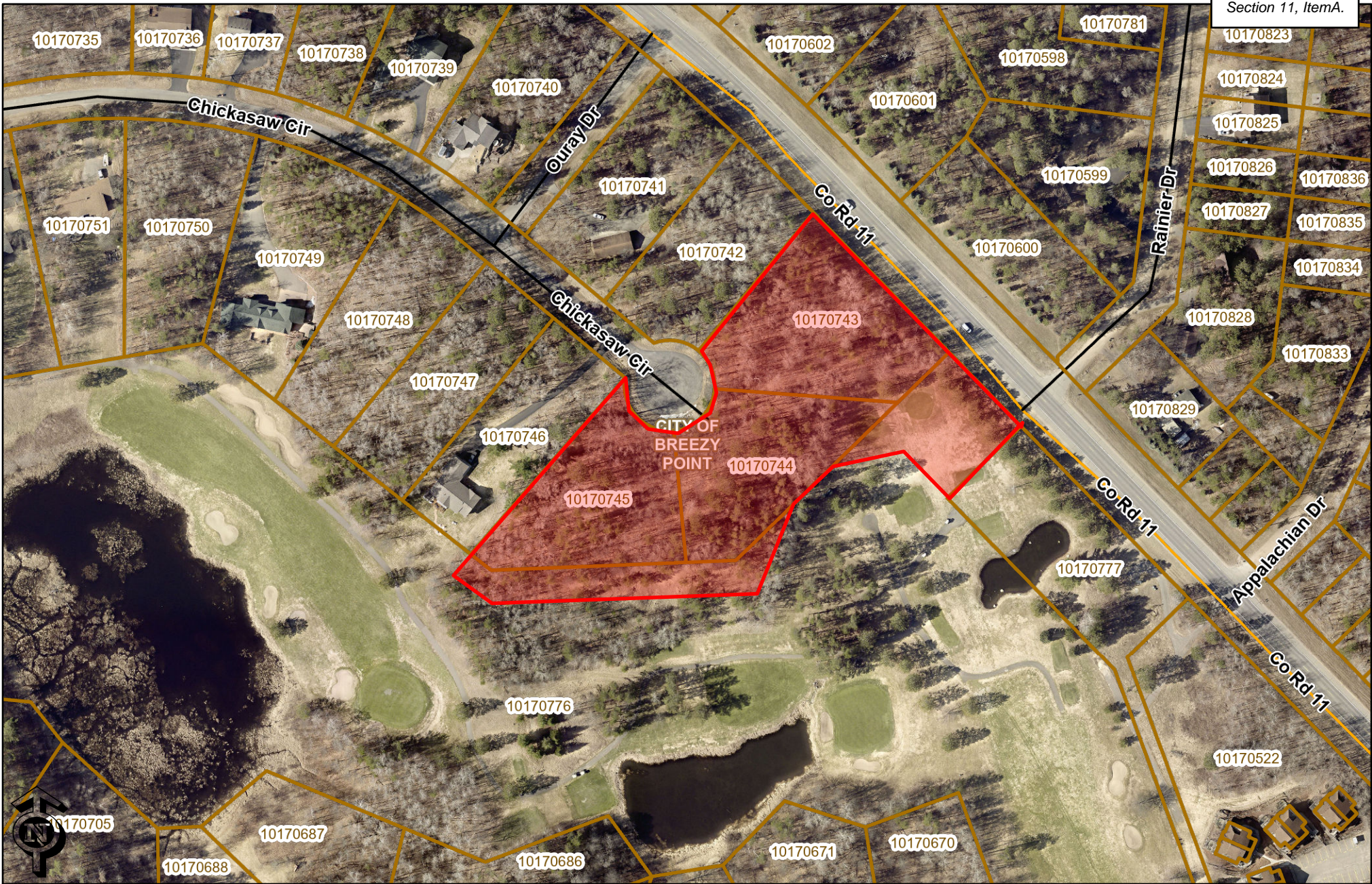
- DENOTES EXISTING SIGN(S)
- DENOTES EDGE OF EXISTING BITUMINOUS
- 1208--- DENOTES EXISTING INTERMEDIATE CONTOURS
- 1210--- DENOTES EXISTING INDEX CONTOURS
- DENOTES EDGE OF TREE LINE
- DENOTES EXISTING CONIFEROUS TREES, TYPE & SIZE
- DENOTES EXISTING GROUND TRANSFORMER
- DENOTES EXISTING ELECTRIC OUTLET
- DENOTES EXISTING PHONE PEDestal & PHONE BOX
- DENOTES EXISTING WELL
- (123.45) DENOTES FLAT AND/OR DREDGED MEASURE
- DENOTES MONUMENT FOUND

ORIENTATION OF THIS BEARING SYSTEM IS BASED ON THE WESTERLY LINE OF LOT 32, BLOCK ONE, WHITEBIRCH SEVEN, TO HAVE AN ASSUMED BEARING OF SOUTH 39°47'50" WEST.



VICINITY MAP

30006 Reassessment	Sheet 1	30006 Reassessment	Sheet 1
P. O. Box 874	Pequot Lakes, MN	P. O. Box 874	Pequot Lakes, MN
218-508-094	www.stonemark.com	218-508-094	www.stonemark.com
<p>THE BUYER HEREBY CERTIFIES THAT THIS SURVEY, PLAN, SPECIFICATION, OR STATEMENT OF WORK WAS PREPARED BY A LICENSED PROFESSIONAL SURVEYOR UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA.</p> <p><i>Patrick A. Trotter</i> DATE: 5-10-2022</p>		<p>DATE: 5-10-2022</p> <p>SCALE: 1"=40'</p> <p>BOOK: 114-07</p> <p>FIELD BOOK: 114-07</p> <p>VEG: NONE</p> <p>PG: 1</p>	
PROJECT NO:	21291	PROJECT NO:	21291
PROJECT MANAGER:	PAT	PROJECT MANAGER:	PAT
CHECKED BY:	PAT	CHECKED BY:	PAT
DRAWN BY:	ELF	DRAWN BY:	ELF
<p>WHITEBIRCH VISTA PRELIMINARY PLAT</p> <p>Bob Spizzo Whitebirch, Inc. 9252 Breezy Point Drive Breezy Point, MN 56472</p>		<p>1 OF 1</p>	



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whitebirch vista rezone

dsl 06-19-23

Date: 6/19/2023 Time: 9:51 AM





TO: Mayor and City Council
FROM: David Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk
RE: Ladder Truck Joint Powers Agreement
DATE: January 2, 2024



Background

At the City Council meeting on November 6, 2023, the City Council agreed to be the bonding entity for the ladder truck purchase for the Pequot Lakes Fire District and directed staff to have a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) for the purchase developed. Additionally, the City Council directed that the JPA include a cash financing option.

Joint Powers Agreements

The City Attorney drafted the attached Joint Powers Agreement, which is between the City of Breezy Point, the City of Pequot Lakes, and the Pequot Lakes Fire District. In addition to the bond financing option, a cash financing option is also included. With this option, the City of Breezy Point would pay cash for the ladder truck and then be reimbursed annually by the Fire District over the course of 10 years (the same length as a bond) at a 3% interest rate.

While the City would accrue approximately \$243,000 in interest over 10 years, staff does not recommend this option as it would take \$1.4 million from the City’s reserves, which would negatively affect the City’s ability to complete other projects such as city hall, Buschmann Road, and other significant project down the road (e.g. streets plan implementation, CIP implementation, etc.).

The decision to bond or go the cash financing route does not need to be made immediately.

Reimbursement Resolution

Should the City Council decided to bond for the purchase of the ladder truck, the attached resolution must be adopted so that the City may issue a bond at a later date.

Council Action

Staff recommends that the City Council approved the attached Joint Powers Agreement, authorize staff to cut the check for the purchase of the ladder track upon approval of the Joint Powers Agreement by the City of Pequot Lakes and the Pequot Lakes Fire District, and adopt Resolution 06-2024, a resolution declaring the official intent of the City of Breezy Point to reimburse certain capital expenditures of a project from the proceed of tax-exempt bonds.

**JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT
BETWEEN THE CITY OF BREEZY POINT, CITY OF PEQUOT LAKES
AND THE PEQUOT LAKES FIRE DISTRICT**

This Agreement is entered into by and between the City of Breezy Point, a Minnesota municipal corporation, the City of Pequot Lakes, a Minnesota municipal corporation, and the Pequot Lakes Fire District, a Minnesota joint powers organization, pursuant to Minn. Stat. § 471.59.

1. Purpose. The cities of Breezy Point and Pequot Lakes are members of the Pequot Lakes Fire District. The Fire District Board approved the purchase of a ladder truck (Rosenbauer Aerial with Commander chassis and King Cobra Platform) pursuant to its Capital Improvement Plan. The purpose of this Agreement is to establish the procedure and responsibility for financing the truck.
2. Term. The term of this Agreement shall commence on January 9, 2024, and shall continue until the debt on the truck is paid in full.
3. Joint Responsibility. Pequot Lakes and Breezy Point each acknowledge their respective responsibility to pay for one half of the cost of the new truck, including any financing costs, which payments shall be made to the Fire District as part of each City's annual contribution to the District.
4. Equipment Financing. Breezy Point shall provide the initial financing to purchase the ladder truck. At its sole discretion, Breezy Point shall utilize one of the two following financing methods:
 - a. Debt Issue. Breezy Point may issue general obligation bonds in an amount equal to the price of the truck plus any related fees, sales taxes and bonding costs. The bonds shall issue as soon as reasonably practicable following approval of this Agreement. Breezy Point shall provide Pequot Lakes and the Fire District Board with information on the final bond sales price, net proceeds and repayment schedule. Breezy Point shall make bond payments pursuant to the bond payment schedule. At least 30 days before the scheduled payments, the Fire District shall submit payment to Breezy Point in an amount equal to the scheduled bond payment.
 - b. Cash Purchase. Breezy Point may issue a cash payment for the final invoice amount, in which case the Fire District shall submit an annual payment to Breezy Point as shown in Exhibit A.
5. Equipment Acquisition. Upon receipt of confirmation of the sale of bonds, or receipt of notice from the City of Breezy Point that it is ready to issue a cash payment, the Fire District Board shall finalize the purchase of the specified ladder truck and provide the final invoice to each City. Upon the sale of bonds (if applicable) and receipt of the final invoice, Breezy Point shall pay the final invoice directly to the seller and notify Pequot Lakes and the Fire District Board of the payment. The Fire District shall arrange for delivery and receipt of the truck.

6. Miscellaneous Provisions.

- a. Compliance with Laws and Standards. The parties hereto agree to abide by all Federal, State or local laws, statutes, ordinances, rules and regulations now in effect or hereafter adopted pertaining to this Agreement.
- b. Liability and Indemnification. Each party to the Agreement shall be liable for its own acts and the results thereof to the extent authorized by law and shall not be responsible for the acts of the other party, its officers, employees or agents. To the extent allowed by law, each party hereby agrees to defend and indemnify the other, its officers and employees against any and all liability, loss, costs, damages, expenses, claims or actions, including attorney's fees which the other, its officers and employees may hereafter sustain, incur or be required to pay, arising out of or by reason of any act or omission of the party, its agents, servants or employees, in the execution, performance, or failure to adequately perform its obligations pursuant to the Agreement.

It is understood and agreed that liability arising from the parties' acts or omissions is governed by the provisions of the Municipal Tort Claims Act, Minn. Stat. ch. 466, and other applicable laws.

- c. Amendments. Any alterations, variations or modifications of the provisions of this Agreement shall be valid only when reduced to writing, approved by the parties' Board or Council, and signed by authorized representatives.
- d. Disposition of Property. Upon termination of this Agreement, any property acquired as a result of activities undertaken pursuant to this Agreement and any surplus moneys shall be returned to the Fire District.
- e. Relationship of the Parties. Nothing contained in this Agreement is intended or shall be construed in any manner as creating or establishing a partnership, joint venture, or agency relationship between the parties.
- f. Notice. All notices and communications required by this Agreement shall be given in writing, by certified mail, as follows:

To Breezy Point: David Chanski
City Administrator
8319 County Road 11
Breezy Point, MN 56472

To Pequot Lakes: Angie Duus
City Administrator
4638 Main Street
Pequot Lakes, MN 56472

To Fire District: Mike Schwankl
Fire Chief
4638 Main Street

Pequot Lakes, MN 56472

- g. Counterparts. The Agreement may be signed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall constitute an original and all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same agreement.

City of Breezy Point

Angel Zierden, Mayor

Dated: _____

Attest:

David Chanski, City Administrator

City of Pequot Lakes

Tyler Gardner, Mayor

Dated: _____

Attest:

Angie Duus, City Administrator

Pequot Lakes Fire District

Tyler Gardner, Chair

Dated: _____

Attest:

Mike Schwankl, Fire Chief

Exhibit A: Cash Purchase Amortization Schedule

Rosenbauer 101' King Cobra Aerial Cash Purchase Amortization Schedule:				
	Principal:			\$1,409,470.00
	Interest rate:			3.00%
	Annual payment:			\$165,232.88
	Years:			10
PAYMENT DATE	ANNUAL PAYMENT	PRINCIPAL	INTEREST	UNPAID BALANCE
August 1, 2024	\$165,232.88	\$122,948.78	\$42,284.10	\$1,286,521.22
August 1, 2025	\$165,232.88	\$126,637.25	\$38,595.64	\$1,159,883.97
August 1, 2026	\$165,232.88	\$130,436.36	\$34,796.52	\$1,029,447.61
August 1, 2027	\$165,232.88	\$134,349.45	\$30,883.43	\$895,098.16
August 1, 2028	\$165,232.88	\$138,379.94	\$26,852.94	\$756,718.22
August 1, 2029	\$165,232.88	\$142,531.34	\$22,701.55	\$614,186.88
August 1, 2030	\$165,232.88	\$146,807.28	\$18,425.61	\$467,379.61
August 1, 2031	\$165,232.88	\$151,211.49	\$14,021.39	\$316,168.11
August 1, 2032	\$165,232.88	\$155,747.84	\$9,485.04	\$160,420.27
August 1, 2033	\$165,232.88	\$160,420.27	\$4,812.61	\$0.00
	\$1,652,328.82	\$1,409,470.00	\$242,858.82	

CITY OF BREEZY POINT
RESOLUTION 06-2024

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE OFFICIAL INTENT OF THE CITY OF BREEZY POINT TO REIMBURSE CERTAIN CAPITAL EXPENDITURES OF A PROJECT FROM THE PROCEEDS OF TAX-EXEMPT BONDS

WHEREAS, the Internal Revenue Service has issued Treasury Regulations, Section 1.150-2 (the "Reimbursement Regulations") under the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code"), providing that proceeds of tax-exempt bonds used to reimburse prior capital expenditures will not be deemed spent unless certain requirements are met; and

WHEREAS, the City of Breezy Point, Minnesota, a municipal corporation and a political subdivision of the State of Minnesota (the "City"), expects to incur certain expenditures that may be financed temporarily from sources other than tax-exempt bonds, and later reimbursed from the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds; and

WHEREAS, the City has determined to make a declaration of its official intent (the "Declaration") to reimburse certain capital costs from the proceeds derived from the sale of tax-exempt bonds issued by the City or another political subdivision in accordance with the Reimbursement Regulations.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Breezy Point, Minnesota as follows:

1. The City may incur certain capital expenditures in connection with the acquisition of a ladder truck (collectively, the "Project").
2. The City reasonably expects to reimburse the expenditures made for certain costs of the Project from the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds in a principal amount currently estimated not to exceed \$1,409,470.00. All reimbursed expenditures related to the Project will be capital expenditures, costs of issuance of the tax-exempt bonds or other expenditures eligible for reimbursement under Section 1.150-2(d)(3) of the Reimbursement Regulations.
3. This Declaration has been made not later than 60 days after payment of any original expenditure to be subject to a reimbursement allocation with respect to the proceeds of tax-exempt bonds, except for the following expenditures: (a) costs of issuance of tax-exempt bonds; (b) costs in an amount not in excess of the lesser of \$100,000 or 5% of the proceeds of the tax-exempt bonds; or (c) "preliminary expenditures" up to an amount not in excess of 20% of the aggregate issue price of the tax-exempt bonds that are reasonably expected by the City to finance the Project. The term "preliminary expenditures" includes architectural, engineering, surveying, soil testing, bond issuance and similar costs that are incurred prior to commencement of acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of the Project,

excluding land acquisition, site preparation, and similar costs incident to commencement of construction.

- 4. A reimbursement allocation with respect to tax-exempt bonds will be made not later than 18 months after the later of: (i) the date the original expenditure is paid; or (ii) the date the Project is placed in service or abandoned, but in no event more than 3 years after the original expenditure.
- 5. This Declaration is an expression of the reasonable expectations of the City based on the facts and circumstances known to the City as of the date hereof. The anticipated original expenditures for the Project and the principal amount of the tax-exempt bonds described in paragraph 2 are consistent with the City's budgetary and financial circumstances. No sources other than proceeds of tax-exempt bonds are reasonably expected to be reserved, allocated on a long-term basis, or otherwise set aside pursuant to the City's budget or financial policies to pay such expenditures for which bonds are issued.
- 6. The action is intended to constitute a declaration of official intent for purposes of the Reimbursement Regulations.

Rebecca Ball: _____

Brad Scott: _____

Steve Jensen: _____

Angel Zierden: _____

Michael Moroni: _____

Adopted this 2nd Day of January 2024

Mayor Angel Zierden

Attest:

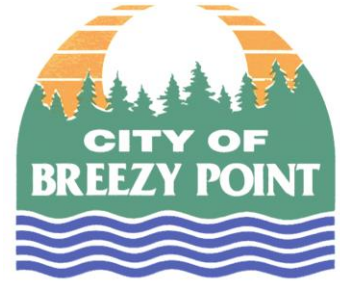
David C. Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk

TO: Mayor and City Council

FROM: David Chanski, City Administrator/Clerk

RE: Rules of Conduct and Procedure

DATE: January 2, 2024



Background

During the City Council meeting on December 5, 2023, the City Council had a discussion on the Rules of Conduct and Procedure and, specifically, how allegations of misconduct against councilmembers should be handled. Ultimately, the City Council directed staff to confer with the City Attorney on the issue.

City Attorney Opinion

Based on the discussion had by the City Council, staff asked the City Attorney 5 questions regarding allegations of misconduct:

1. Who should make them public (a member of the public or a councilmember)?
2. How should such allegations be investigated?
3. What are grounds for investigation?
4. What obligations does the council have to address allegations of misconduct?
5. What action can be taken if misconduct has occurred?

To the first question, the City Attorney stated that there is no requirement that misconduct allegations be made public absent a request for that data. Additionally, per [Minn. Stat. § 13.601, Subd. 2](#), misconduct that is asserted in communication between an individual and an elected official is private data unless either party makes it public.

To the second question, the City Attorney stated that the process for an investigation is determined by the nature of the allegation and the desires of the City Council. Cities handle investigations differently depending on the alleged misconduct, with some opting to have the city administrator or human resources person (of there is one) conduct the investigation and other times opting to have the city attorney or a third party conduct the investigation.

To the third question, the City Attorney stated that the trigger for an investigation depends on the desires of the City Council. The City Council could take up each allegation individually to determine if an investigation is warranted or set a formal policy that dictates why types of allegations will be investigated and by whom.

To the fourth question, the City Attorney stated that the City Council has no obligation to investigate allegations of misconduct. However, alleged misconduct that goes

unchecked or ignored effectively negates city policy, may expose the City to liability, and could result in organizational dysfunction.

To the fifth and final question, the City Attorney stated that there is, ultimately, little that can be done to an elected official if an allegation of misconduct is substantiated. The City Council can censure the offending member, which is a public rebuke. Censure is only as effective as the offending member allows it to be. One person could be very bothered by it, and another person may not care. Except for those very narrow scenarios outlined in [Minn. Stat. § 412.02, Subd. 2b](#), the City Council does not have authority to remove one of its members from the Council. However, the City Council may remove a member from a committee assignment or limit interaction with staff.

Ultimately, whatever direction the City Council may choose to go regarding allegations of misconduct, the City Attorney stated that the development of a policy addressing the procedure by which allegations of misconduct are handled would be wise.

The City Attorney has reviewed and approved all elements of this memorandum.

**CITY OF BREEZY POINT
RULES OF CONDUCT AND PROCEDURE
CITY COUNCIL AND CITY BOARDS/COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS**

Section I: Preamble

Subd. 1 Purpose: These rules are designed to prescribe the manner in which the members of the City Council and all the City’s boards, commissions, and committees are to interact with one another, city staff, consultants, and the public. They acknowledge that it is essential that legislative bodies establish formal rules of conduct and procedure to enhance effective and democratic governance. Furthermore, they set the standard by which the public may interact with its governing body.

Subd. 2 Authority: The City Council is authorized to adopt rules of conduct and procedure pursuant to Minnesota Statute § 412.191.

Subd. 3 Applicability: These rules shall apply to committees of the City Council as well as all boards and commissions established by the City Council. “City Council” shall be substituted with “Committee,” “Commission” or “Board” as applicable. Additionally, “councilmembers” shall be substituted with “committee members” or “commission members” as applicable, and “mayor” shall be substituted with “presiding officer” or “chair” as applicable.

Subd. 4 Rights of Councilmembers: All councilmembers are equal and have the same rights to make motions; object to motions in a timely manner; participate in debate; have their votes counted; and speak, when recognized, free of interruption.

Subd. 5 Obligations of Councilmembers: Councilmembers are obligated to receive the recognition of the mayor before speaking, except as otherwise provided by these rules. No one has the right to speak at whim. Councilmembers are obligated to speak directly on the subject being considered and observe time limits for comment. Finally, councilmembers are obligated to address all remarks to the mayor, avoid personal attacks, and refrain from using any insulting or demeaning language or indecent or threatening behavior. Additionally, all councilmembers should:

- Fully participate in City Council meetings and other public forums while demonstrating respect, kindness, consideration, and courtesy to others.
- Prepare in advance of meetings and be familiar with issues on the agenda.
- Be respectful of other people’s time.
- Stay focused and act efficiently during public meetings.
- Serve as a model of leadership and civility to the community.
- Inspire public confidence in Breezy Point government.
- Demonstrate honesty and integrity in every action and statement.
- Participate in scheduled activities.

Section II: Meeting Governance

Subd. 1: Presiding Officer: The Mayor shall preside at all meetings of the City Council. In the absence of the mayor, the vice-mayor shall preside. The presiding officer shall have the power to preserve strict order and decorum at meetings, enforce the rules of procedure and determine without debate, subject to the final decision of the City Council on appeal, all questions of procedure and order. The presiding officer shall determine which member has the right to speak and may move matters to a vote once the officer has determined that all members have spoken. The presiding officer may determine whether a motion or proposed amendment is in order and may call members to order.

Subd. 2: Rights of the Presiding Officer: The presiding officer may speak on any question. The presiding officer should only make motions and second motions if no other councilmember offers a motion or seconds a motion.

Subd. 3: Appeals of the Presiding Officer’s Decisions: Any member of the City Council may appeal from a ruling of the presiding officer. If the appeal is seconded, the member may speak once solely on the matter at hand. The presiding officer may explain the ruling, but no other councilmember shall participate in the discussion. The ruling of the presiding officer shall be final.

Section III: Agenda

Subd. 1 Matters of Consideration: Matters for consideration by the City Council shall be submitted by members of the City Council and residents to the City Administrator or to the designated city staff member in the case of committee business.

Subd. 2 Agenda Development: An agenda of business for each regular and special meeting shall be prepared in the Office of the City Administrator or by the designated city staff member in the case of committees and all effort shall be made to deliver copies thereof to each councilmember within 5 calendar days of the meeting. In the case of special meetings or emergency meetings, an agenda may not be delivered within 5 calendar days of the meeting dependent on the circumstances of the meeting. In the case of special meetings or emergency meetings for the purpose of considering sensitive issues, an agenda shall be publicly posted per State Statute but agenda materials shall not be publicly posted until appropriate.

Subd. 3 Agenda Outline: At the hour appointed for the regular meeting of the City Council, the meeting shall be called to order by the presiding officer. If a quorum is present, the City Council shall then proceed with its business in the following order as applicable:

- Call to Order
- Role Call
- Approval/Amendment of the Agenda
- Public Forum

- Presentations (when applicable)
- Items of Public Interest (when applicable)
- Consent Agenda
- Items Removed from the Consent Agenda
- New Business
- Old Business
- Staff Reports
- Mayor and Council Reports
- Agenda Forecast
- Adjourn

Subd. 4 Alterations of Agenda Outline: The order of business may be altered by the presiding officer or by majority vote of the City Council at the time the agenda is approved/amended.

Subd. 5 Consent Agenda: Matters for approval by the City Council of a routine or non-controversial nature which need minimal deliberation shall be placed on the Consent Calendar. A motion to approve the Consent Calendar shall not be debated. Following a majority vote of the City Council, an item shall be removed from the Consent Calendar and placed upon the regular agenda for debate immediately following the Consent Calendar.

Subd. 6. Matters Not on the Agenda: Debate and discussion shall be limited to matters on the agenda, and the presiding officer shall ensure discussion and debate on any given matter is limited to the matter at hand. The City Council may consider matters not appearing on the agenda as normal business if such a matter is added to the agenda by majority vote of the City Council during the approval/amendment of the agenda. However, no formal action shall be taken on such matters with the exception of emergency matters or matters with time sensitive deadlines. Matters not on the agenda that are raised during the Staff Reports or Mayor and Council Reports sections of the agenda may be discussed but no action shall be taken. If an objection is raised by the mayor or a councilmember to discuss an item not appearing on the agenda during the Staff Reports or Mayor and Council Reports sections of the agenda, a vote shall be taken by the City Council to determine the appropriateness of further discussion of the matter at that time.

Section IV: Meeting Procedure

Subd. 1 Motions: All formal actions of the city council must be by motion. Councilmembers may make only one motion at a time.

Subd. 2 Consideration of Motions: All motions shall receive a second prior to debate on the motion being conducted. If the motion does not receive a second, it shall not be debated. Once a motion has been made and seconded, the presiding officer shall open the motion up for debate. Any motion that does not directly address the matter at hand, shall be considered as out of order and shall not be debated or considered. Once debate has concluded, the presiding

officer shall restate the motion and call for a vote on the issue. A motion shall be considered passed if it receives a majority vote of those present at the meeting, unless otherwise required by law.

Subd. 3 Objections to a Motion: A motion may be considered to be out of order if the motion does not directly address the matter at hand, has not been made at a proper time in the proper format, violates any applicable rules of law, ordinance, or city policy, including city policies on decorum and civility, or has been made for the purpose of unduly delaying the proceedings. If a councilmember objects to a motion for any of the above reasons, such an objection shall be made immediately following the motion and at no other time. Once an objection has been made, the presiding officer shall determine whether the motion is in order. Prior to making such a determination, the presiding officer shall, first, allow the objector to speak to the objection and, second, allow the maker of the motion speak to the concerns of the objector. No other councilmembers shall speak to the objection or the motion. Once the objector and the maker of the motion have spoken, the presiding officer shall make a determination whether the motion is in order. Motions considered out of order shall not be considered. The presiding officer's determination shall be considered final.

Subd. 4 Voting: The votes of the members on any motion shall be by voice vote unless the mayor or any councilmember requests that a roll call vote be taken. The presiding officer shall call for a roll call vote at the request of the City Clerk whenever a voice vote of the City Council is not clear as to the disposition of the action before the Council.

Subd. 5 Abstentions: A member may only abstain from a vote on a motion if the member has a bonafide or perceived conflict of interest. Such a conflict of interest shall be publicly stated prior to a vote being held. Such a conflict of interest shall be publicly stated prior to a vote being held. No member may be obligated to abstain for perceived conflicts of interest.

Subd. 6 Virtual Participation: Virtual participation in meetings shall be reserved for councilmembers, staff, and those formally on the meeting agenda.

Subd. 7 Meeting Breaks: The City Council shall consider conducting a brief recess for the physical and mental benefit of the City Council and public during any meeting after 90 minutes.

Section V: Public Participation

Subd. 1 Times for Public Participation: Comments from the public are restricted to the public forum periods, noticed public hearings, and public comment periods as determined by the presiding officer or by majority vote of the City Council. City Council meetings are the forum for the City Council to conduct the city's business. While City Council meetings are open to the public pursuant to the Minnesota Open Meeting Law, they are not a forum for public expression. Members of the public are not allowed to participate in council discussion and debate without a specific invitation by the presiding officer. Members of the public shall not

applaud, engage in conversation, or engage in other behavior through words or actions that may disrupt the proceedings of council.

Subd. 2 Rules for Public Participation: Members of the public shall adhere to the following rules when addressing the City Council:

- Identify themselves and their address for the public record.
- Direct their remarks to the presiding officer.
- Abstain from the use of obscene, profane, or threatening language.
- Comments shall be kept within the time limit set by the presiding officer.
- Honor the role of the presiding officer in facilitating public participation.

Subd. 3 City Council Role in Public Participation: When receiving comments from the public, councilmembers shall adhere to the following guidelines:

- Actively listen to each speaker.
- Refrain from making comments approving or disapproving of any comments received.
- Refrain from debating comments with members of the public or amongst themselves.
- Members may ask follow-up/clarifying questions but shall refrain from issuing opinions or comments on any comments made by members of the public until the public hearing or public comment period has been closed.
- Honor the role of the presiding officer in facilitating public participation.

Subd. 4 Facilitation of Public Participation: The presiding officer shall facilitate all public participation. As such, the presiding officer may:

- Request that the public appoint a spokesperson when it appears that multiple speakers will speak on the same topic.
- Place a time limit on or defer the public comment period.
- Alter rules to meet legal requirements for public hearings as required by law.

Section VI: Code of Conduct

Subd. 1 Conduct In Public Meetings: In the context of city council meetings, committee meetings, and other such meetings of a public body, all members of the City Council, staff, and the public shall:

- Practice civility, professionalism and decorum in discussions and debate
Difficult questions, challenges to a particular point of view, and criticism of ideas and information are legitimate elements of a free democracy in action. This does not allow, however, councilmembers, members of the public, or staff to make belligerent, personal, impertinent, slanderous, threatening, abusive, or disparaging comments. No shouting or physical actions that could be construed as threats will be tolerated. All councilmembers, members of the public, and staff should conduct themselves in a professional manner at all times.
- Be welcoming and treat others with care and gentleness

Speaking in front of a public body (whether as an elected official, committee member, staff, or a member of the public) can be a difficult experience for some people. Some issues the City Council undertakes may affect people's daily lives and homes. Some decisions are emotional. The way that people are treated during public meetings can do a lot to make them relax or to push their emotions to a higher level of intensity. Deescalating a situation will lead to a more productive outcome for all involved and the community as whole.

- **Be an active listener**

It is disconcerting to speakers to have people not look at them when they are speaking. It is fine to look down at documents or to make notes, but reading for a long period of time or gazing around the room gives the appearance of disinterest. Be aware of facial expressions, especially those that could be interpreted as "smirking," disbelief, anger or boredom.

- **Ask for clarification, but avoid debate and argument in public**

Only the presiding officer – not individual councilmembers, staff, or a member of the public – may interrupt a speaker during a presentation. However, a councilmember may ask the presiding officer to address the situation if the speaker is off the topic or exhibiting behavior or language the councilmember finds disturbing. If speakers become flustered or defensive by questions from the City Council, it is the responsibility of the presiding officer to calm and focus the speaker and to maintain the order and decorum of the meeting. Questions by councilmembers to members of the public testifying should seek to clarify or expand information. It is never appropriate to belligerently challenge or belittle the speaker. Councilmembers' personal opinions or inclinations about upcoming votes should not be revealed until after the public hearing or public comment period is closed.

- **Honor the role of the presiding officer in maintaining order**

It is the responsibility of the presiding officer to keep the comments of councilmembers on track during public meetings. Councilmembers should honor efforts by the presiding officer to focus discussion on current agenda items.

- **Avoid personal comments that could offend other Councilmembers or members of the public**

If a councilmember is personally offended by the remarks of another councilmember, the offended councilmember should note their concerns during the meeting, make notes of the actual words used, and request the other councilmember to justify or apologize for the language used. If a member of the public or staff is personally offended by the remarks of a councilmember or member of the public, the offended person should make note of their concerns and of the actual words used but should refrain from directly addressing the offense during the public meeting. The offended person should respectfully address the offense outside of the public meeting.

- **Demonstrate effective problem-solving approaches**

Councilmembers have a public stage to show how individuals with disparate points of view can find common ground and seek a compromise that benefits the community as a whole.

- **Be punctual and keep comments relative to topics discussed**

Councilmembers have made a commitment to attend meetings and participate in discussions. Therefore, it is important that the councilmembers be punctual and that meetings start on time. It is equally important that discussions on issues be relative to the topic at hand to allow adequate time to fully discussed scheduled issues. Staff should also come prepared to answer questions and provide professional input. Members of the public should strive to arrive to meetings on time in order not to disrupt the meeting and, when provided the opportunity, adhere to the rules for public participation as set in Section V.

Subd. 2 Conduct In Private Encounters: When discussing issues pertaining to the City in the context of private encounters outside of city council meetings, committee meetings, and other such meetings of a public body, all members of the City Council, staff, and the public shall:

- **Continue respectful behavior in private**
The same level of respect and consideration of differing points of view that is deemed appropriate for public discussions should be maintained in private conversations.
- **Be aware of the insecurity of written notes, voicemail messages, e-mail, text messages, “tweets,” and social media**
Technology allows words written or said without much forethought to be distributed wide and far. Before recording or putting something in writing, consider:
 - Would you feel comfortable having this message sent to others?
 - How would you feel if a voicemail message was played on a speaker phone in a full office?
 - What would happen if this e-mail or text message was forwarded to others?
 - How would you feel if this comment, image, video, “tweet,” or social media post went “viral” for the world to see and read?
 - Written notes, voicemail messages, email and social media posts should be treated as potentially “public” communication. It is the responsibility of the City Council to be aware of and follow the City’s Data Practices Policy and the Minnesota Government Data Practices Act (“MGDPA”).
 - If the communication is between councilmembers, could this conversation or written exchange, including emails, text messages, and other forms of electronic communication violate Minnesota’s Open Meetings Law?
- **Acknowledge that even private conversations can have a public presence**
Elected officials, committee members, and City staff are always on display – their actions, mannerisms, and language are monitored by people around them that they may not know. Lunch table conversations will be eavesdropped upon, parking lot debates and arguments will be watched, and casual comments between individuals before and after public meetings noted. Before meetings are opened and after they are closed, councilmembers should avoid any pre- and post-meeting discussions amongst themselves, as such conversations could violate Minnesota’s Open Meetings Law, or at least be perceived as a violation.
- **Make no promises on behalf of the City**
Councilmembers, committee members, and staff will frequently be asked to explain a City Council or committee action or to give their opinion about an issue as they meet and talk with constituents in the community. It is inappropriate to overtly or implicitly promise City Council or committee action, or to promise City staff will do something specific (fix a pothole, remove a library book, plant new flowers, approve a license or permit, install a traffic sign, etc.).

Subd. 3 Conduct with Staff: When communicating with staff, all members of the City Council and the public shall:

- **Treat all staff as professionals**
Clear, honest communication that respects the abilities, experience, and dignity of each individual is expected. Poor behavior towards staff is not acceptable.
- **Limit contact to specific City staff**
Questions of City staff and/or requests for information should be directed to the City Administrator. The City Administrator may delegate the request to other members of staff as appropriate. However, the City Administrator shall be copied on all communication with other members of staff. Requests for follow-up or directions to staff should be made through the City Administrator. Materials supplied to a

councilmember in response to a request will be made available to all members of the City Council so that all have equal access to information.

- **Do not disrupt staff from their jobs**
As a matter of courtesy and effective time management, councilmembers and members of the public should schedule appointments with staff in advance.
- **Never publicly criticize a specific employee**
City staff are comprised of both union and non-union employees who have certain levels of protection under state and federal law. Concerns about the performance of a City employee should never be expressed in public, to the employee directly, or to the employee's manager. Comments about staff performance should only be made to the City Administrator through private correspondence or conversation.
- **Do not get involved in administrative functions**
No member of the City Council or the public may attempt to influence City staff on the making of appointments, awarding of contracts, selecting of consultants, processing of development applications, or granting of City licenses and permits.
- **Limit requests for staff support**
Requests for additional staff support – even in high priority or emergency situations – should be made to the City Administrator who is responsible for allocating City resources in order to maintain a professional, well-run City government.

Subd. 4 Conduct Otherwise Not Listed: Conduct as described in subdivisions 1 through 3 is not an exhaustive list. Councilmembers, staff, and members of the public should always conduct themselves in a courteous and professional manner when interacting with each other whether in public or private. In addition to the aforementioned standards of conduct, all councilmembers, committee members, staff, consultants, suppliers, volunteers, customers, stakeholders, and members of the public shall conform to the City's harassment and offensive policy and workplace violence policy is described in the City's Personnel Policy.

Mayor Angel Zierden
Breezy Point • 1 day ago •

I received this email from a resident of Breezy Point in response to the city hall project. Not only is none of this true, but this type of behavior is unacceptable. My husband is on Planning and Zoning because the position was open for six months and no other resident had applied for the role. We both wanted to serve our community despite that fact that we both work full time and have four children. This is the reason why good people don't run for office. We work really hard to make the best decisions we can with the information we have, but nothing will ever be good enough for some, who don't care about the truth. Since taking on this role, I have received other emails and read many comments of this nature, but I am done tolerating this behavior from fellow neighbors.

"It didn't take long to find out this project is going to net your family a nice chunk of change.
how lucky that your husband has his own construction company and he works for the planning and zoning department for breezy point.
I don't know if this is illegal but it is certainly unethical. Shame on you again. way to go...teaching your children how to use the system to take money from people and put it into your own pocket with no remorse.
you reap what you sow"

24
37 Comments

Share
David Fuhs
David Fuhs
• Crosslake•23h

Mayor Zierden, it is heartbreaking to hear of the abuse and disrespect that you have had to endure. People need to be civil and engage constructively. Thanks for being a public servant. Do your best. Kind regards.

7
Bob Gastecki
Bob Gastecki
• Buschmann•19h

David
I agree, we should not be abused or disrespected . If there is a problem someone needs to suggest positive solutions not just complain about it. I understand why

people are upset because they did not know about it. I also understand the city council and Mayor saying they are not hiding anything that you can come to the meetings or find the information on the City Website. the problem is most people do not have or make the time to do this, so we do need better communication, and find a solution that will work for all. I have talked with the mayor and city manager, which the mayor responded that is what she is looking to accomplish. But people need to talk with their council members and the mayor. Until yesterday I did not know what was really going on. I just was reading comments on social media, so I decided to call Mayor Angel Zierden (which she has said numerous times to please call if you have questions) and Council Member Brad Scott and our current City Manager at the meeting yesterday. I asked questions and listened to them and was impressed with their commitment. and plans to make Breezy Point a better city. We finally have people working on plans on where the city needs to improve instead of the previous years where there were very few improvements and no real plans to make it better, just more reactionary to problems from what I saw. I have purchased my home in 2011 and feel we now have people in place that are finally getting planning started to correct the problems we have in our city. Please give them a call if you have questions or concerns and not just believe social media. But please be willing to listen and have a positive discussion. We all want the city of Breezy Point to improve.

10
Jenny F.
Jenny F.
• Buschmann•17h

Bob
Thank you!

1
kathleen axt
kathleen axt
• Hilltop•22h

I absolutely disagree with your comment. I don't understand how 'serving your community' includes spending \$5,000,000 on a building that you don't need against the wishes of the community. And on top of that to deny the taxpayers that will be paying the bill the right to vote on the project..

7
Jenny F.
Jenny F.
• Buschmann•18h

kathleen
tax payers aren't paying for it. Know your facts before you speak

5
kathleen axt
kathleen axt
• Hilltop•22h

and the truth is that a city of 2700 residents does not need a \$5,000,000 city hall.

6
Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
Author • Breezy Point•19h

kathleen
you should tell everyone who sent me this email.

2
Dorothy Ross
Dorothy Ross
• Crosslake•21h

You don't need to be harassed, but than again the citizens don't need to be taxed out of their homes. That amount of money spent per home is obscene and the citizens should have the ability to vote on it. There could be other creative solutions ,.

6
Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
Author • Breezy Point•Edited 19h

Dorothy
The taxes will not increase because of this project.(edited)

2
PETE NISTLER
PETE NISTLER
• Hilltop•21h

taxes are plenty high enough inflation makeing money worthless its time to hold on to the spending reins

3

Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
Author • Breezy Point•18h

PETE

Taxes won't increase because of the city hall project.

2

PETE NISTLER
PETE NISTLER
• Hilltop•17h

So your saying we have been taxed to much already if you have money for it. About a tax rebate Unless their is a money tree somewhere. It usually us residents

2

Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
Author • Breezy Point•Edited 17h

PETE

Administrator Chanski answered this. When you manage your personal finances, do you allow your bank account to go to zero? No, you slowly put money away... See more

2

Jess Oh
Jess Oh
• Buschmann•16h

Angelica - What on earth makes you think it's OK to talk to the tax payer's this way?? You are unprofessional at best.

1

David Fuhs
David Fuhs
• Crosslake•16h

Mayor sounds fine. Consider your own tone. 🙄

5

PETE NISTLER
PETE NISTLER
• Hilltop•5h

Mayor

slowly little over a yr ago you just paid off dept now you have 12 million to blow on something we don't need

1

Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•44m

Jess

giving orders?

Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•43m

David

no elected official should be giving orders to constituents.

1

David Fuhs

David Fuhs

- Crosslake•36m

what "giving orders"? Not really. Seems like urging people to read, ask, engage respectfully. Honestly, yes people need to take responsibility to learn the issue before spouting off, and under no circumstances berating disrespectfully a city official. Come on people.

Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•30m

David

there are ways you can encourage people to be involved. Wording: " go" " be responsible" do your" theses are orders.

1

David Fuhs

David Fuhs

- Crosslake•26m

sorry, I disagree. People who shoot first, then ask questions need a stern urging/request. Frankly, it is silly to call that "giving orders"

gervaise wilhelm

gervaise wilhelm
• Crosslake•19h

the meetihgn last

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gervaise wilhelm
gervaise wilhelm
• Crosslake•19h

The meeting last night was simply an opportunity to humor us as residents of Breezy Point. We were told we could get a petition with a thousand signature but the the council has no obligation to act on it. Members of the council definitely suggested such a petition would have no effect on thier votes.

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gervaise wilhelm
gervaise wilhelm
• Crosslake•19h

contineued..\
(Note: 'contineued' is misspelled in the original text)

Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•19h

gervaise
didn't the manager say that?

gervaise wilhelm
gervaise wilhelm
• Crosslake•19h

So in spite of Breezy's unmet needs such as street lights , side walks, streets in decent states of repair, etc , the council is convinced that a town of less... See more

1
gervaise wilhelm
gervaise wilhelm
• Crosslake•19h

the presentation nor the answers to our questions about the PLAN

gervaise wilhelm
gervaise wilhelm
• Crosslake•19h

Kathi

Hr said ckearly that a petition would probably have no effect on the votes by council members

1

Robert Gastecki
Robert Gastecki
• Buschmann•18h

Kathi

the city has over \$12,000,000 in investments and cash available for projects right now. That is why they say the City Hall and Bushman Road could be paid for without raising taxes. Plus the city is getting \$1,500,000 grant to help pay for Bushman Road project.

3

Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•18h

And then the sewer....

Robert Gastecki
Robert Gastecki
• Buschmann•17h

Kathi

, I asked that in yesterday's meeting and was told by the City Manager after they did an assessment of the sewer system and some changes they made they figure the sewer system is good for at least 10 to 15 years. So no new sewer system is needed.

1

Robert Gastecki
Robert Gastecki
• Buschmann•17h

Kathi

also the City Manager also said the Community Center is off the table right now.

Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•17h

Robert

ok so it's city hall that's the focus.

Robert Gastecki
Robert Gastecki
• Buschmann•17h

Kathi
City Hall abd then Bushman Road

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Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•17h

Robert
yes with a grant.

2
gervaise wilhelm
gervaise wilhelm
• Crosslake•6h

Its not that I object to a new city hall. I know we werer told that there is enough money to pay for it. I just think there are a few projects that should get priority like street lights, sidewalks and streets.

1
Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
Author • Breezy Point•Edited 6h

gervaise
we will address those things in our streets plan, which we will start next year. It's not as simple as you think it is. There are policy changes we need to look at, which includes assessments, which in turn changes how we pay for those things. Again, I don't understand how many times we have to tell everyone to call us with questions on these issues. They are not black and white, and they don't just happen overnight.(edited)

2
Brad Scott
Add a comment...
Add a comment...

Jonathan Kurten
Citizens for Local Government Accountability Breezy Point
Buschmann • 22 Nov •

Hi all,

I'm sure it's not been missed by anyone in this group that there have been a few controversial situations between Breezy Point residents and the city over the last few months. I believe we can work towards a healthier relationship by a) making information more accessible and b) giving residents a way to band together when feedback needs to be delivered to the city or Council.

Over the last while a group of neighbors have started the Breezy Point Neighborhood Alliance at <https://bpneighborhoodalliance.org/>. We aim to advocate for our neighbors and create effective avenues to engage with our local leaders, especially as we head into an election year in 2024.

We currently share a monthly newsletter that recaps the major decisions made during Council Meetings. We strive to be as unbiased as possible and give context to the votes. This is resident-led and not in any way affiliated with the city.

If you'd like to keep up with the Council but don't have the time to sit through full meetings, we hope you'd consider joining our mailing list. If you're interested but don't want to subscribe you can view all editions of our newsletter, Dear Neighbor, at <https://buttondown.email/neighbor/archive/> at any time.

Posts

George Wells
Breezy Point • 15 Nov •

So the city of Breezy Point will be building a new city hall. I would have thought the residents of the city would be able to vote for such an expense. Does anyone know how we the residents of Breezy Point can have a say in this?

12
211 Comments

Share

Filtered comments
Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1w

Contact board members .

2
Dick Burns
Dick Burns
• BP Locals•1w

For a town of 2,000 residents...the current building is fine...would be a waste of tax payer money!

9
Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1w

I attended the presentation at city hall and had a chance to tour the office facilities. It's true that the space is limited and the building is in need of renovation. However, I don't think the additional amenities like a pool, gymnasium, and workout area are necessary. We already have a disc golf course for visitors to enjoy, although some residents expressed their opposition. Despite that, the board decided to proceed with the disc golf , with only one dissenting vote from Brad Scott. The plans for expanding city hall are in place, but I believe we should avoid burdening the taxpayers with extra expenses like the other amenities at this time. It would be great if more people got involved in this matter.

7

George Wells
George Wells
Author • Breezy Point•1w

Kathi
,thank you for your response. I experienced something like this before and the town administration neglected one infrastructure. They didn't address the growth to capacity in the water treatment plant. Which then caused the taxpayers with the burden of pay a larger city to take on our sewer. Has the city done any feasibility studies to see if our infrastructure can handle the growth it has experienced?

3
Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1w

George
yes water treatment plant has been studied and is in the planning stage.

Sandy Logelin
Sandy Logelin
• Breezy Point•1w

Kathi
the new city hall will not include any community center at this time. The building is going to be built with the possibility of an addition of a community center IF they choose to go down that road in the future.

2
Sandy Logelin
Sandy Logelin
• Breezy Point•1w

George
the water treatment plant will cost approximately \$10 million dollars. New City Hall, approximately \$3 million. Buschmann Road Project, approximately \$2 million.

Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1w

Sandy
so I'm sure there are infrastructure grants to help with this.

Jess Oh
Jess Oh
• Buschmann•1w

Dick have you seen the salaries for 2024?

2

Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1w

Sandy

correct. But if it wasn't for our citizen push back that facility would have been built with the previous mayor and board. Votes count.

1

George Wells
George Wells
Author • Breezy Point•1w

Dick

how can we stop this from happening?

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Dick Burns
Dick Burns
• BP Locals•1w

George

well, after raising my/our taxes(21% & 26% last 2 years)...they are really cash positive. However, that doesn't give them the Right to frivolously spend our tax excess on a new City Hall. Should go to a citywide vote! Attending the meeting on November 27th would be the first step.

5

Jess Oh
Jess Oh
• Buschmann•1w

I believe there is a public open house - November 27th 5:00 - 7:00 pm. Lots of money being requested for the 2024 budget....

3

Mona Dagestad
Mona Dagestad
• Breezy Point•1d

Jess

there's a lot of people at City Hall tonight! Hopefully the city council will understand that we don't need or want a new elaborate city hall!

5

Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•1d

Mona

it seems it doesn't matter what we want.

George Wells

George Wells

Author • Breezy Point•1w

Dick

I will be there definitely raising my concerns with this process.

2

Dick Burns

Dick Burns

- BP Locals•1w

George

Thank You...unfortunately, I'll be out of town. It's all too easy to spend Other Peoples Money!

3

gervaise wilhelm

gervaise wilhelm

- Crosslake•1w

I'd be interested in knowing that too. and also what is wrong with the one that is currently in use

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Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•1w

gervaise

it's too small and building needs repair.

Dena E.

Dena E.

- Breezy Point•1w

How about we get some roads paved and a few streetlights put up ! Walking paths on city 4 so people aren't walking in traffic! Maybe repair the existing building or adding an addition! There are so many more things that are more important!

6
 Mayor Angel Zierden
 Mayor Angel Zierden
 • Breezy Point•1w

Dena
 all of these things will be addressed in our streets plan. I would recommend reaching out to get information, which includes a paved trail.

3
 Jess Oh
 Jess Oh
 • Buschmann•1w

Dena This is the trail (not sure if there are more being discussed). Grant money is available (not sure if there's potential of the grant application being denied?), but not until 2028.

1
 Dena E.
 Dena E.
 • Breezy Point•1w

Jess
 where did you share this from? I'd like to see it bigger.. ty

Jess Oh
 Jess Oh
 • Buschmann•1w

Dena
<https://www.breezypointmn.gov/meetings/recent>

The screenshot was from the Agenda Packet for the "November 6th, 2023 City Council Regular Meeting."

Dena E.
 Dena E.
 • Breezy Point•1w

Jess
ty

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Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
• Breezy Point•1w

Dena
I recommend watching back the council meetings, which you can watch on the city's YouTube account. If you have questions regarding the website and where to find specific content, give Daniel at the city a call.

Dena E.
Dena E.
• Breezy Point•1w

Thanks! we have a community Facebook page for this area with almost 4k members for anyone that's affiliated with the area and wants to join... See more

Dena E.
Dena E.
• Breezy Point•1w

Also some people may not look on the website or social media so maybe a city newsletter every month to inform the residents in a mass mailing! There was one... See more

gervaise wilhelm
gervaise wilhelm
• Crosslake•1w

ALL GOOD QUESTIONS THAT MANY CITIZENS HAVE. LETS LET OUR VOICES BE HEARD NOVEMBER 27 5-7 PM

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gervaise wilhelm
gervaise wilhelm
• Crosslake•1w

The population is less than 3000 now and is reported to be growing by 3% per year. AS Dena pointed out, potential citizens will be more concerned about safety issues like street lights (I live in a cul de Sac that is unlit and so dark at night it is difficult to find our driveway) and walking paths on Co 4. I would like to have the city council consider re-model for now and address the issues being raised first.

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Lori Berg
Lori Berg
• Lake Shore•1w

Go to the meeting. If that doesn't work, draw up a petition demanding it go to a ballot vote. You will have to get a certain percentage of registered voters to sign the petition. I would recommend having a lawyer review the petition before you submit it to the city. It works, I've done it before. Got pushed to ballot and got voted down by the voters.

5
Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1w

Lori
wish we would have known that when disc golf course was proposed.

4
Mona Dagestad
Mona Dagestad
• Breezy Point•1d

Lori
janski said at the meeting tonight, that even if a petition was done, it would be up to city council if they accepted it or not.

1
George Wells
George Wells
Author • Breezy Point•1d

Mona
Yes I was told we can't change what they have done. It's going to move forward. We need to vote them out. I'll be reminding everyone at election time to dive by the new City Hall for our six yes six employees at city hall. What a stinking joke our city leaders are.

Jonathan Kurten
Jonathan Kurten
• Buschmann•Edited 1d

Mona
we had multiple petitions against the disc golf expansion also, all ignored. Ultimately our only power is going to be our vote. Anything can be stopped, changed, or removed with a new Council and that's what makes Council's decisions to go against their residents so mind boggling to me.(edited)

3

Lori Berg

Lori Berg

- Lake Shore•1d

Jonathan it really is, isn't it? They forget who they work for...so sad.

2

Lori Berg

Lori Berg

- Lake Shore•1d

Mona

that's asinine!!! I'm so sorry to hear this. I'm so tired of these people forgetting who they work for. I must have caught the process earlier when this happened in lake Shore. I remember they put something in the newsletter about getting bids for a new city hall and the whole town rose up to speak out about it (well most of them lol).

2

Jonathan Kurten

Jonathan Kurten

- Buschmann•Edited 1w

I can't help but agree with others that there are many things that our city needs and starting with a large City Hall project seems out of order. It would be great if city leaders... See more

5

steven Casperson

steven Casperson

- Lake Shore•1w

When you vote you are asking these people to make these kind of decisions for you

1

Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•Edited 1d

steven

only one person on the council is a true taxpayer watchdog.(edited)

2

Bob Gastecki

Bob Gastecki

- Buschmann•1w

Kathi

who is that? what do the others do?

Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•1w

Bob

pm you

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Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•1w

Bob

please reach out to me personally if you have questions.

George Wells

George Wells

Author • Breezy Point•1w

Mayor

Angel, I am George I started this conversation. My question was how can we stop his unnecessary expenditure for a city hall. I may have found my answer and it's we need to vote for those candidates how truly understand and represent the residents of Breezy Point. All we need is 3 members of the board who feel breezy should have this and it's a done deal. Please reach out to me if I have this wrong.

5

Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•Edited 1w

George

happy to. Please first review the documents available regarding the costs associated with a remodel and building new prior to our conversation, so we can refer to those. Also, our organizational evaluation will be given to us in December, which will show us that we are making the best decision long term with regards to

growth and costs.(edited)

Mona Dagestad

Mona Dagestad

- Breezy Point•Edited 1w

steven

you are correct,we are asking them to make the decision for us, but based on what the residents want and not what each of them personally want. At least three of the council members are not listening to the residents.(edited)

3

steven Casperson

steven Casperson

- Lake Shore•1w

Mona

then vote them out next election

Sandy Logelin

Sandy Logelin

- Breezy Point•1w

Dick, if you are unable to attend any meetings or open houses, you can visit the city website and reach out to individual council members to express your opinions.

3

Dick Burns

Dick Burns

- BP Locals•1w

Sandy

Thanks Sandy, just did that, much to my surprise the NCH project is in it's later stages....HiTec will be building it and the costs/bids will be completed in January. Hope all is well with you and the farm!

Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•1w

Happy to answer any questions you have about city hall. Please reach out to me any time.

Dick Burns

Dick Burns

- BP Locals•1w

Mayor

please tell us hard working tax payers how to stop the New City Hall...a big misuse of our tax dollars...atleast for now. The timing isn't right. Go to the gas station, grocery store, restaurants, hotels, and property taxes....everything is up 30-50% and wages haven't kept up with these increases. Many residents are struggling to keep up, so they don't see a value add to their Breezy Point experiences with a New City Hall. More parks, golf cart paths, walking paths and Pickleball courts for the kids and their families to enjoy the outdoors experiences in Breezy Point.

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will toft
will toft
• Buschmann•1w

Dick and others, my neighbors greatly appreciate your concern, We fought a losing battle for almost two years to stop the disc golf expansion. With no official record of a council vote an expansion went forward in the middle of the largest residential neighborhood in Breezy. Thousands of trees cut down, tens of thousands of dollars spent to add another 18 holes that adds no public good for us the Breezy residents. My estimation for ongoing maintenance of this boondoggle is over \$ 40.000, a year and that's before we end up paying for police officers to enforce the ordinances being broken by players. I will mention a few infractions, hearing WTF yelled along with constant noise, which is brought on by illegal drinking, which results in public urination. I have stopped using my deck on the weekends. It's not law enforcement's fault. It may be a city hall today and a community center tomorrow [3 years ago it was estimated to cost 8 million] We need to pay attention to keep our property taxes down as there seems to be no end of the spending of other people's money.

6
George Wells
George Wells
Author • Breezy Point•1w

Mayor
can't you answer the questions and concerns we are expressing here in an open form?

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George Wells
George Wells
Author • Breezy Point•1w

will
we need to vote the mayor and the board out of office. It will be a shame if they vote for this and we the residents get stuck with the bill.

4

Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•Edited 1w

will

you have fought this battle on the park board and you are now fighting the amenities of the additions to the city hall on the park board. I too have been fighting this spending spree for years. We managed to get two board members who are big spenders off the board. But we are still stuck with three on the board. (the mayor ran unopposed) when the push for the fancy fancy community center came up no one listened to us. Then we managed to get two new people on the board. Only these two really listen to people. But they are a minority.(edited)

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Tim Olsen

Tim Olsen

- Buschmann•1w

@George

You are not likely to get an answer on here, at a meeting or in person. You may be granted a conversation, after which you will be told that you've been "heard" and "listened to" but nothing you say will be taken into consideration. For the majority of the current council, there is zero interest in what the taxpayers want.

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Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•1w

George

looking forward to seeing your name on the ballot next year.

4

Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•1w

Mayor

I hope so.

2

Tim Olsen

Tim Olsen

- Buschmann•1w

George, perhaps not an answer to questions you've asked here, but you got a response, so I guess it still kind of counts as an answer?? 🤔

2

George Wells

George Wells

Author • Breezy Point•1w

Mayor

Angel, I have never felt the desire to be a servant of the people. I am a concerned citizen that wants to make sure those who do run for public office are servants of the people.

3

Dick Burns

Dick Burns

- BP Locals•1w

Mayor

Kathi

Mayor

George

Mayor, as the Leader of our City, your comment to George is way out of line. You posted here to answer any and all questions about the New City Hall...and then you dodge all of our questions and concerns! If you push this NCHall forward without any resident feedback, shame on you...so much for your campaign slogan on Transparency!

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Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•1w

Dick

I've already responded as to next steps to address his concerns regarding city hall. If you want change, you should consider running for office, not complain on social media. We are a republic, not a democracy, so as elected leaders, we make the best decisions we can with the information we are given.

George Wells

George Wells

Author • Breezy Point•1w

Mayor

Angel, bring this to a vote for the residents and you'll have the true decision "We the People" want.

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Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

• Breezy Point•Edited 1w

George

Please review the information regarding city hall, and I would be happy to walk through the last six months of workshops, conversations, and information that lead us to this decision. I support putting the community center on the ballot next year given the magnitude of that cost. Just because an issue is on the ballot, doesn't mean that residents will do the due diligence prior to voting. We have spent many hours discussing this issue, and I feel that we are making the best decision for the city long term. Again, happy to discuss outside of this thread.(edited)

George Wells

George Wells

Author • Breezy Point•1w

Mayor

Angel, I'll go back to my original question. Can you tell me how we can get this decision into the hands of the residents to vote on?

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Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

• Breezy Point•1w

George

I encourage all residents to attend or watch council meetings in order to stay up to date on issues. During the open forum is a good time to make those... See more

George Wells

George Wells

Author • Breezy Point•1w

Mayor

Angel, thank you for answer and service to our community.

will toft

will toft

• Buschmann•1w

Mayor

,George, and all other contributors, I see the mention of a community center again, Crosslake has a CC and I've been informed that its maintenance cost is in the hundreds of thousands of dollars a year. I do know of a study that every CC built in the last couple of decades are running deficits to the tune of 30-80%. Taxpayers are on the hoof for that shortfall. WE do not need this, it should not even be brought to a vote if our elected officials are watching out for us, the Breezy Point resident and taxpayer!

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Dick Burns

Dick Burns

- BP Locals•1w

will

Great point! However, it is more than a "mention"...the New Design Team has added the Community Center to the renderings, for when the City decides to if/when add it. Here's their track record in the last 10 months, Rental Properties, Disc Golf and New City Hall! They are 0-3, I predict they will be 0-4 once they approve the Community Center. They are working in a Vacuum and I feel don't represent the majority of BP residents....hence, they will Never put these things to a Vote!

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Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•Edited 1w

will

I've never supported a community center paid for by only tax dollars. I made that clear at the candidate forum last year.(edited)

Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•Edited 1w

George

thank you. I care about the vitality of this city and its residents. I believe in a systematic approach to making decisions with the understanding that not everyone is going to agree. I have made every effort to communicate with residents and was adamant about not missing a single council meeting, which entailed bringing my 5 day old baby to a four hour meeting in September. Everyone has a different perspective on how things should be done, but it's impossible for residents to always have all the information, which is why I am always willing to have a conversation outside of social media.(edited)

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Dick Burns

Dick Burns

- BP Locals•1w

Mayor

Thank you. Now please put this \$4,000,000. New City Hall out for a Resident vote...and the show the option of a remodel of existing building. I... See more

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will toft

will toft

- Buschmann•1w

Mayor

I do remember you pledging that, so I was surprised to see it mentioned in one of your threads. Which leads me to ask so why include it in the blueprints for the new city hall? To many of us it feels like if its mentioned now, it will be brought up again with the statement, well we've been talking about it for years and we already have the plans so let's go forward. If this sounds familiar its exactly what was told to us about the disc golf expansion. In fact, we were chastised for not coming to meetings and being involved. Subterfuge may work on the national level [I.E. the so-called Inflation Reduction Act] but let's maintain total transparency at our local level.

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Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•Edited 1w

will

We have to do our best to plan for the future. Maybe that includes a partnership or donation for a community center that offsets the tax payer burden. I don't know. In that case, this is the best option given that it didn't cost us extra for incorporating that part in the plan. Our views on it are the same now, but we have a different perspective on potential outcome.(edited)

Jonathan Kurten

Jonathan Kurten

- Buschmann•1w

Mayor

when we talk about the community center are we referring to the library and community room, the pool and gym, or all of the above?

I think we've generally combined them in discussion or proposal (I understand the planning implications) and that doesn't allow us to address each on its merits.

I can say for myself that I feel vastly differently about a library than I do about a pool. I can tell you, unequivocally, that a publicly funded pool would never make

sense to me when we live so close to multiple resorts.

2

Bob Gastecki
Bob Gastecki
• Buschmann•1w

Mayor

you mention you do not support a Community Center by tax dollars but are you saying that there will be not tax dollars used in anyway for the Community... See more

Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
• Breezy Point•1w

Bob

and Jonathan, I do not support a community center funded by only tax dollars. The library and community room are separate from this.

Jonathan Kurten
Jonathan Kurten
• Buschmann•1w

Mayor

got it, thank you for clarifying the difference 🙏

Bob Gastecki
Bob Gastecki
• Buschmann•1w

Mayor

so do support using any tax dollars for this to design, build, and maintain the building and grounds every year? You're leaving yourself wide open when... See more

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Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
• Breezy Point•Edited 1w

Bob

I'm not understanding your question. Are you talking about a community center or city hall?(edited)

Bob Gastecki
Bob Gastecki
• Buschmann•Edited 1w

Mayor

the Community Center. You stated I do not support a community center funded by only tax dollars.", so does that mean it is okay to use any tax dollars at all for research, design, building or maintaining it? "Thank you!(edited)

2

Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•Edited 1w

Bob

There is a good chance it will be on the ballot next year, so the residents can decide since it is a major expense to construct and operate.(edited)

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Bob Gastecki

Bob Gastecki

- Buschmann•Edited 1w

Mayor

thank you, but why is just a good chance and not for sure would be on the ballot? Not trying to give you a hard time and apologize if you feel this way... See more

will toft

will toft

- Buschmann•1w

Mayor

, Bob and all Breezy Point taxpayers, so we have gone from you not supporting using our tax dollars at all to putting it on the ballot. I doubt the Resort... See more

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Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•Edited 6d

Bob

I am only one vote on the council and we haven't voted to put this on the ballot yet. We are "allowed" to make this decision because we were elected to do so.(edited)

Bob Gastecki

Bob Gastecki

- Buschmann•6d

Mayor

Thank you!

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Mona Dagestad
Mona Dagestad
• Breezy Point•6d

Mayor

Happy Thanksgiving! My concern is that when you are making your "allowable" votes, is that you are taking into consideration what we, the residents of Breezy Point want and not just each of you personally.

Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
• Breezy Point•6d

Mona

Happy Thanksgiving! It has nothing to do with what I want. It's the fact that we spend hours and months discussing and reviewing these issues, which means when it comes time to vote, we are making those decisions based on all the factors including resident feedback.

Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1d

will

but taxes won't be raised according to the Mayor.

Dena E.
Dena E.
• Breezy Point•1d

Mayor

where are you getting resident feedback from?? I never got an email, mail, or any kind of notification about any plans of a new city hall? I'm sure I'm not the only one! Also before you go back to your standard answer if "attend the meetings" not everyone can or has the time to do that! There needs to be more transparency on information. Not everyone has social media or goes on the website but we all have a street address where things can be mailed out, sounds like there's enough money from raising our taxes to pay for that! It just sounds like you all are just spending other people's money for a building that doesn't need to be that size for a small resort town, which most of us would like to keep it that way! This isn't the cities or even Crosslake! I can't wait to exercise my rights and vote you all out of there with the exception of Brad Scott who seems to be on the side of the people! Have a great day!

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Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•1d

Dena

here is the information regarding communication on city hall.

3 press releases related to city hall have been issued. June 7, June 9, and November 13

9 social media posts related to city hall have been published. May 9, June 2, June 6, June 8, June 16, September 5, October 9, November 7, and November 13

3 City Council workshops have been conducted where city hall was a significant item on the agenda. May 16, August 1, October 17

6 Regular City Council meetings have contained published agenda items related to city hall. January 3, May 1, June 5, August 7, October 2, November 6

5 updates related to city hall have been published to the city website. June 16, September 5, October 17, November 7, November 13

2 open houses related to city hall have been conducted. June 16, November 27

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Dena E.

Dena E.

- Breezy Point•1d

Mayor

where are the mailings to each household?? There wasn't a problem mailing out notices for the sewer date changes? You breezed right by me saying that a lot of people may not have computers or the time to be looking in the website or go to meetings. If there was a mass mailing of a newsletter maybe none of these discussions would be happening! You are not getting the point ! I can guarantee that the next election November you aren't going to be running unopposed after we have all seen how you aren't out for the citizens best interest! I believe you ran on the topic that you wanted to see how taxes can be lowered at the local level which you are not accomplishing with this latest debacle! I have nothing else to say but see you in November where I will not be voting for you and will be supporting someone who cares about our small town and listens to its citizens! Good luck!

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Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•1d

Dena

taxes will not go up because of city hall. I've made that very clear.

Dena E.

Dena E.

- Breezy Point•1d

Mayor

because they went up last year to help cover it! ☹️ and either way the project is too big when the extra money could be spent in other places such as street lights, paved roads , trails etc!

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Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•1d

Jonathan or a gym to compete with private gyms.

Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•Edited 1d

Dena

like I mentioned before, I'm happy to address those things in a conversation. There's so much more that goes into street lights, sidewalks, roads, etc. that we cant address until the streets plan is done. We will also address assessments, which I would like to get rid of entirely. We are starting that plan in 2024. As far as the paved trail, we are voting on a resolution for the county to help us apply for a 800K grant for construction in 2028 for a paved trail. These things are more complicated to try to explain over dialog on social media.(edited)

Sandy Logelin

Sandy Logelin

- Breezy Point•1d

Kathi

on the community center. Kathi, where is the council not listening in the "push" for the center? Community Center isn't even being discussed for a near future project. Disc Golf expansion and Community Center action came from 2 councils ago. You can bet that past council would have been breaking ground on that community center, just like the plunge forward and approval of the DG expansion that kicked off such discourse. People should keep in mind, a mayor is a figurehead and over sees actions by the council, administration, and community. A mayor can't even vote on items unless it comes to a tie break. Every single person on that council makes their own decisions and conclusions, and votes their conscious. Everyone who has an opinion should contact the individual council members and give their constructive opinions. You can email them right from the website. This bashing of the mayor on here is just mind boggling. Like what she's doing or not, If she tries to answer, she's slammed. If she doesn't answer, she's slammed. Reading a lot of these messages, how can she not try to come from the side of defense. There is a lot of

misunderstanding via social media. Email or call our representatives to give your opinions.

2

Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1d

Sandy
the mayor does vote.

Sandy Logelin
Sandy Logelin
• Breezy Point•Edited 1d

I may be wrong the ability of the mayor to vote. Can someone clarify that for me?(edited)

Sandy Logelin
Sandy Logelin
• Breezy Point•1d

Kathi
absolutely not directed at you. My comments are general in nature.

Bob Gastecki
Bob Gastecki
• Buschmann•22h

Sandy
I agree with your comments about people need to talk with their council members and the mayor. Until yesterday I did not know what was really going on. I just was reading comments on social media, so I decided to call Mayor Angel Zierden (which she has said numerous times to please call if you have questions) and Council Member Brad Scott and our current City Manager at the meeting yesterday. I asked questions and listened to them and was impressed with their commitment. and plans to make Breezy Point a better city. We finally have people working on plans on where the city needs to improve instead of the previous years where there were very few improvements and no real plans to make it better, just more reactionary to problems from what I saw. I have purchased my home in 2011 and feel we now have people in place that are finally getting planning started to correct the problems we have in our city. Please give them a call if you have questions or concerns and not just believe social media.

Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•21h

Sandy

yes I clarified it above.

Dena E.

Dena E.

- Breezy Point•1w

New people need to run for the next election! Especially the ones that are commenting on here! You have my vote! 🍷❤

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Dick Burns

Dick Burns

- BP Locals•1w

Well, to my surprise after visiting the BP city website...hope I'm wrong, but this New City Hall project is in it's Final design phase. I don't think the city council is looking to hear concerns about building a New City Hall at the meeting later this month, but rather input on it's design and features. The new design is quite impressive for our small city...it will most defiantly exceed \$4,000,000.! The current design has a huge basement, for future offices etc...and a propose elevator! I would think after the lack of communication and the lack of BP resident feedback on the Disc golf course expansion...they would over communicate and get BP resident feedback on this New City Hall, just the opposite, I knew nothing about this. I believe their sole vehicle of communication to the residents is their website, would guess less than 5% of BP residents visit their website on a quarterly basis. They are using a "Pull" system versus a "Push" system. A project of this magnitude, \$4,000,000.; the city council needs to Push information to us, rather than expect us to visit their website. They ran their campaigns on Transparency, quite the contrary! On a positive note, I like David the new city administrator and council member Scott.

4

Jonathan Kurten

Jonathan Kurten

- Buschmann•1w

Dick

, some of the Council meetings are up to 4 hours long and their workshops, which are objectively the most productive gathering of Councilmembers, are typically at 1 pm on a weekday. It is very challenging for the average Breezy Point resident to attend these gatherings, and apart from the recording of the council meetings, there's no simple way for residents to follow along. You are right when you say that they operate on a "pull" system instead of a "push" system.

I want to give credit to some of the new members of the Council, as I believe they genuinely seek more transparency and a stronger relationship between the city and its residents. Nonetheless, I must criticize them because they are repeating the

same mistakes made by the previous Council, such as the disc golf expansion.

In my opinion, the Council seems to make decisions based on their own judgment most of the time, while giving only a small amount of consideration to the opinions of the residents. However, I am willing to be proven wrong about this. If the majority of Breezy Point's residents are in favor of constructing a new City Hall, then the Council should present the data to support their decision. But if such data is not available, then the Council should work on building better communication with the residents, instead of making any major and controversial decisions. Otherwise, the same problems will keep arising in the future.

6
Jess Oh
Jess Oh
• Buschmann•1w

Dick
<https://youtu.be/S3UGlmzBwpQ?si=1-1MzL800X2kIpNz>
Starting at 28:55 - this is the mentality. We are faulted for not "getting involved."

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Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1w

Jess
interesting... all of the problems anticipated have come to fruition.

4
Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•Edited 1w

Also two of the council members were voted off because they were not listening to the taxpayers of Breezy point but listening to the out of towners(edited)

1
Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1d

Jonathan workshops need to be video taped.

Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
• Breezy Point•1w

Dick
voting on short term rentals and disc golf were made prior to this year.

Dick Burns
Dick Burns
• BP Locals•1w

Mayor
Yes, but they both got revisited with the New Council and no changes were made.

To be clear, I'm ok with short term rentals that were doing it in 2023. ... See more

4
Sandy Logelin
Sandy Logelin
• Breezy Point•2d

Mayor
Disc Golf final decision was made by the present council. There were options presented, including dismantling the entire expansion and using the land ... See more

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will toft
will toft
• Buschmann•1d

Dick
I have been trying to stop or dismantle the disc golf expansion for almost two years. I would love to discuss this and any other topic such as why does the... See more

2
Dick Burns
Dick Burns
• BP Locals•1d

will
I'm not a disc golfer and I don't live on that disc course. What they did to you guys was just wrong. They didn't keep affected residents informed as to... See more

3

Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
• Breezy Point•1w

Dick

let's schedule a call to discuss the details.

Dick Burns

Dick Burns
• BP Locals•1w

ok

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Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
• Breezy Point•1w

Dick

I wasn't here for that vote, but I will say that we haven't come close to reaching the license limit.

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Jonathan Kurten
Jonathan Kurten
• Buschmann•1w

George

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Dick

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gervaise

,
Dena

, and anyone else in this thread, if you're interested in keeping up with decisions and topics at City Hall I'd point you to Breezy Point Neighborhood... See more

6

gervaise wilhelm
gervaise wilhelm
• Crosslake•1w

Jonathan I would like to join you It sounds like an excellent idea

2

Dena E.

Dena E.

- Breezy Point•1w

Jonathan I joined , thank you
 Also we have a community Facebook page for this area with almost 4k members for anyone that's affiliated with the area and... See more

1

Jonathan Kurten

Jonathan Kurten

- Buschmann•1w

Awesome, I'll share there as well. Thanks,
 Dena
 !

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Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•21h

Dena
 can't open

Dena E.

Dena E.

- Breezy Point•21h

Kathi
 just go to Facebook and type in Breezy Point , Pequot community page in the search bar .

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Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•21h

Dena
 done

1

Dick Burns

Dick Burns

- BP Locals•1w

I have joined both sites...thanks.

FYI, I talked with the Mayor this morning for 2 hours. It's always important to hear both sides of the issues. In all fairness she has inher... See more

4

Sandy Logelin

Sandy Logelin

- Breezy Point•1w

Exactly what kind of "community input" at the November Open House is the city looking for from the residents? Design is done. Contractors are being considered, if not already chosen. They have put together a community design team. Other than a more formal introduction to the community on the designed plan, what is the purpose of this open house?

5

Dick Burns

Dick Burns

- BP Locals•1w

Sandy

Hopefully, the mayor will answer your question. I was told yesterday that it was Not a Done Deal! I'm holding out hope that it will go to a resident vote...especially because of the High Dollars to build the NCH. Four council members(3 new) and a Mayor should Not make this decision in a Vacuum. The meeting is next week, but if enough residents attend and voice their opinion it should give them some pause. If someone on here could post something on the BP Facebook page to plea for community attendance , Great! Also, if someone could send out an email blast on the new resident Email communication piece, Great! I didn't know these 2 vehicles existed until yesterday, and I joined both yesterday. I'm hoping the Council Members will do the Right thing.

2

will toft

will toft

- Buschmann•1w

Sandy

Exactly, reminds of the Council meeting in I believe April that was supposed to decide the fate of the disc golf expansion and we were only allowed to express what changes we wanted for the holes only in back of our houses as it was going thru as

planned. In fact, two members of the ruling body flat out said no holes are going away. I do believe something needs to be done with the present facility and I hope they listen to us the taxpayers about our concerns.

3

Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•Edited 1d

So how was the meeting? Sorry I was out of town.(edited)

Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•1d

Kathi

Administrator Chanski did a fantastic job educating and answering questions. Many residents left feeling that a new build was the better option. Taxes will not go up as a result of this project. I encourage residents to reach out if they have additional questions to avoid the misinformation being shared on social media.

3

Mona Dagestad

Mona Dagestad

- Breezy Point•1d

Mayor

I felt that residents were leaving out of frustration and that nothing they had to say would matter as the final decision lays with the city council... See more

3

Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•Edited 1d

Mayor

people have questions. Not all social media is misinformation. The council should listen more to what the people say. Taxes will NOT be raised by this project. Taxpayers will hold the council to that statement.(edited)

2

Jess Oh

Jess Oh

- Buschmann•Edited 1d

Kathi

"taxes will not be raised"? That sounds like misinformation to me. I'm curious as to what constitutes misinformation....it appears a lot of the information shared has been screenshots from the city's website.(edited)

2

George Wells

George Wells

Author • Breezy Point•1d

Kathi

, the taxes will not go up for this project. They will go up for something else because they spent it on this project. We need to make sure our voices are heard at election time.

3

Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

• Breezy Point•1d

George

when the out of state investors eventually buy the resort, they won't care about the lowly taxpayers of the city of Breezy Point. Mid income and lower income people are doomed.

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Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

• Breezy Point•1d

Jess

You should have attended the meeting.

Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

• Breezy Point•Edited 1d

Kathi

What are you talking about? Some of your statements are ridiculous. If you have questions, you should have attended the meeting to ask them instead of flying south for the winter.(edited)

1

Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1d

Mayor
you might want to review the rules of this site. Personal insults are not “neighborly”

1
Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1d

Mayor
I already took the tour, heard Chansky’s pitch and saw the mock ups. No need. I’m very informed.

2
Jess Oh
Jess Oh
• Buschmann•20h

Mayor
Angelica - thank you for your kind response - so neighborly of you. I didn't ask a question or seek clarification, so I'm not sure why you're suggesting I... See more

3
Dick Burns
Dick Burns
• BP Locals•19h

Jess
Trust me, you made the Right decision! Many Residents wasted hours of their time last night.

1
Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1h

Mayor
I didn’t fly south for the winter. Stop personal insults.

Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1d

Is there a recap of this meeting in the Echo?

George Wells
George Wells
Author • Breezy Point•1d

Kathi
a reporter from the Echo was at the meeting.

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Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1d

George
good . I'll look for it.

Dena E.
Dena E.
• Breezy Point•18h

George
hopefully more media will get involved and get to the bottom of this! Why aren't we putting this to a citizen vote is the big question !

1
Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
• Breezy Point•1d

Too many people don't care about the truth. The complaining will not magically stop with a new council. People don't have time for this nonsense.

will toft
will toft
• Buschmann•1d

Mayor
and all on this thread. Just because taxpayers don't fall in line, does not mean you should insult them. I don't believe anyone criticized you when you said we are not a democracy, we are a representative democracy which means our elected officials should look out for us the taxpayers and voters and not adhere to some sort of narrative or agenda.

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Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•1d

will

it's not about falling in line. It's about residents taking accountability for not doing due diligence and then proceeding to criticize us repeatedly without the facts. It's not an insult, it's the truth. It's okay to be mad, but it's not okay to be mean, and that's exactly what happens on here. To give you an example of what I get from residents, I've posted an email I received regarding this project and I will continue to do so until this type of behavior stops.

3

Tim Olsen

Tim Olsen

- Buschmann•20h

Angel, I care about the truth. What is the truth? I would love to hear it from you and the rest of the council on this particular topic and every topic for that matter. I have asked for the truth for some time now which you know very well, both publicly at meetings and in private conversations with you directly .

Unfortunately, reading through these 185+ comments I see you complaining on social media about people that are complaining on social media...

That is not a solution, is it? When people have a question they are looking for an answer. They are not looking to be told what they did wrong/should have done/should do and never receive an answer at all. The previous council took that approach with residents regarding the disc golf expansion and look at how smoothly that went!!!

We always hear that it's important to learn from your mistakes. In order to learn from them, it is imperative to acknowledge that mistakes have been made.

You have asked me before for solutions, so here is my suggestion... I would simply ask of you and the rest of our elected officials to answer people's questions. Answer them with honesty, "the truth" that you referenced, rather than avoiding an answer. Far be it from me to speak on anyone else's behalf but I believe that it would go a long ways towards building trust.

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Dick Burns

Dick Burns

- BP Locals•19h

Tim

I gave her 2 solutions 1.) citywide Vote and 2.)improve their communications system. As usual, no response. Ad, late last week I sent her 2 emails, with agin, no response. Don't what else to do, they always ask for solutions, but don't respond to them.

2

Sandy Logelin
Sandy Logelin
• Breezy Point•1d

My opinion, for what it's worth, we all need to take a step back and take a breath. Let's keep in mind, the City Council has tough decisions to make. No matter what their decisions, 50% of our residents are going to be for a decision and 50% against it. This City Council inherited expensive, and some controversial projects with tough decisions to be made. They are residents of this community, pretty much volunteers, who pay taxes here too. Like us, they want a thriving, safe community that we can be proud of. We all have the option to try to fill one of their seats if you don't agree with their view of what that looks like and how we achieve it. 99% of us don't want their jobs. I don't like some of the decisions made. I struggle at times to understand how they can't possibly agree with my viewpoint. HOWEVER, our city employees and council members are good people, trying to do their best. We have full right to express our opinions and should, but personal attacks against members and their families are completely uncalled for. I don't think a lot of our community truly knows the extent of the verbal abuse to which our council and city employees have experienced. We are better than this. Our true choice should be to be respectful and work within the systems in place to keep Breezy the great place that it is. Thanks for listening...

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Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•Edited 20h

Sandy

I think 50% either way might be presumptuous.(edited)

2

Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
• Breezy Point•1d

Sandy

thank you Sandy.

Jonathan Kurten
Jonathan Kurten
• Buschmann•1d

Sandy

there's something really deep at play in Breezy Point. Never in a million years did

I imagine I'd walk my little family into this. I imagined we're moving away from the insane city to a peaceful town. Some days I question if we made the right decision at all.

I do truly hope we can start working together because this fighting is going to cause us long term harm.

It's going to take some humility from both sides. The city doesn't have a monopoly on truth, many residents have very valid concerns and opinions but somehow we let things get tribal so very quickly. It often feels that what we're missing here is a foundation of trust.

6
Dick Burns
Dick Burns
• BP Locals•23h

Jonathan Very well said....really Sad when the Residents voices fall on Deaf ears!

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Sandy Logelin
Sandy Logelin
• Breezy Point•1d

Just making a point Kathy.

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Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1d

Sandy
I agree. I respect all opinions. But I don't feel elected officials need to call out posters as "ridiculous" .

4
Dick Burns
Dick Burns
• BP Locals•23h

Kathi
the leader of our small city is digging a hole, I don't think she can get out of, Sad.

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Dick Burns

Dick Burns

- BP Locals•1d

Sandy, you are always the voice of reason, part of what I like about you...you are a kind person. The rhetoric has gotten out of hand, on both sides.

The BP residents have just 2 reasonable requests.

One, better communication from our City Leaders...most residents knew nothing about this \$5,000,000. New City Hall....much like the lack of communication on Disc Golf Course! The Mayor and council members know they have" insufficient communication system" because they discussed it at the September meeting, but decided to do nothing about it.

Two, the residents requested a "Citywide Vote" on the New City Hall. Per the city administer David, the city hall has only 6 employees, so building a New City Hall of ~16,000 square feet, as compared to the more appropriately sized current City Hall of 4,400 square feet.

In my opinion, these were reasonable requests of our City Leaders...they just want their voices heard.

The End!

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Dena E.

Dena E.

- Breezy Point•1d

Dick

that's the point they aren't getting about the communication! Whatever happened to good old fashioned United States Mail? I don't think it's too much to ask to get some kind of Newsletter every couple months from the Mayor and council to inform us of what's going on! Then we would know to attend the meetings if it's something we want to be involved in! They aren't getting it! This is where the frustration stems from in the first place! We shouldn't have to attend every meeting to make sure they are not being frivolous with our taxes like these last two projects and not even ask for input and put it to a vote for us to decide!

3

Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•1d

Dena

it's very easy to view meetings on you tube and e mail council members if needed for input.

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Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•Edited 1d

Dena

do you know how much it costs to send out a newsletter to all the residents? I believe it's roughly between \$3,000-\$4,000. It wasn't in the budget this year. I know, because it was one of the first things I brought up. So, how much do you think we should add to the levy to send out newsletters throughout the year or how much should we pull from the capital fund to cover it? Everything costs money, which you are saying you don't want to spend. We will be sending out newsletters electronically in 2024.(edited)

Dena E.

Dena E.

- Breezy Point•1d

Mayor

take it out of the new building funds for a few years and make the current building reasonably remodeled!

2

Dena E.

Dena E.

- Breezy Point•1d

Kathi

I don't have time for watching you tube videos and especially now that all she wants to do is argue her point instead finding other solutions! My solution will be finding new people to run against them in November that will have the communities best interests instead of spending on big city projects when there are other things that would benefit the community as a whole! Have a great day!

2

Suzy W.

Suzy W.

- Pequot Lakes•1d

Dena

"good old fashioned mail" is just that, Old Fashioned and very, very expensive!

3

will toft

will toft

- Buschmann•1d

Mayor

according to the Usps.com web site the postage cost would be around \$ 600.00 to send out a direct mailing to every Breezy household. I would think the city has its own postage meter and I would assume there are bulk discounts available.

2

Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•Edited 1d

will

The city has a process they would have to follow, and the cost does not include paper, printing, and time. Like I mentioned, I looked into this when I started and still support a newsletter option at least once or twice a year. If I want to send out a newsletter myself, I would personally have to pay for it, which is a large expense especially since it all depends on what exactly you are mailing. Crosby puts a newsletter on the back of their water/sewer bills, but the majority of Breezy residents have a well and septic. Residents are not giving us or the city any credit for the work we have been doing with regards increasing communication. It will never be enough for some.(edited)

Dena E.

Dena E.

- Breezy Point•1d

mayor , moving forward thats all I'm looking for is another way of contacting the citizens of Breezy in the future so we can be informed without having to go on a computer! I think that's where a lot of frustration s are coming from especially when it's a project this big (plus the disc course) believe it or not many of us had no clue this was happening! '

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Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•1d

Dena

Just know that there are many things I have been working on, that I haven't shared publicly, but now understand that I need to do more in 2024.

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Dena E.

Dena E.

- Breezy Point•1d

Mayor

Ty

Dick Burns
Dick Burns
• BP Locals•1d

Mayor
please share the many things you are working on.

2
Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1d

Mayor
Jonathan is doing a very thorough recap along with votes on his site.

1
Jess Oh
Jess Oh
• Buschmann•18h

Mayor
Angelica you know how much the city has spent on "studies"??? Far more than sending a bulk, discounted mailing. Where did you get your numbers?

Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
• Breezy Point•18h

Jess
do you know that statute requires those studies for projects?

Jess Oh
Jess Oh
• Buschmann•18h

Mayor
Angelica how many years in a row does it require the same studies be paid for? The statute should also require that city's show proof of adequate residential communication. Especially if projects will cost millions of dollars. This isn't a situation where someone decided they needed a \$5,000.00 scanner and the council approved it. This is millions.
And what guarantee do you have that our taxes won't go up because of the ridiculous new city hall? You and chanski seem so worried about a new building to add to your resumes - but can the city's gravel roads be graded prior to the snow flying???

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Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
• Breezy Point•18h

Jess
You really need to come to meetings. I'm not going to continue to repeat myself.
The information is available to you.

Dick Burns
Dick Burns
• BP Locals•18h

Mayor
please answer Jess' question, how much were the all studies?

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will toft
will toft
• Buschmann•8h

Dick
, this is an educated guess but since late 2020 the city has spent around \$ 115k. to 130k on feasibility studies, comprehensive plans of what residents' priorities are, [which both councils have ignored], studies of what to pay, studies on how many employees they should have, city hall plans, road studies, community center plans, etc... Seems like the range of these are from \$24k -35k.

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Dick Burns
Dick Burns
• BP Locals•8h

will
Thanks a bunch. Now I know why they would not answer Jess' question

2
Sandy Logelin
Sandy Logelin
• Breezy Point•Edited 1d

Poor communication and lack of trust with our local government has been an ongoing problem, especially with past councils. Because of that, the council has changed, so far with the last election, 3 new members. I personally have seen a big difference, while not perfect, from past councils on communication and transparency. This administration has implemented many avenues for communication to the residents. The new website, which is great, has all the information regarding new studies, projects, etc. They have a Facebook page to reach out with city info.

They now post upcoming meetings, workshops, etc on Next Door. They post on the electronic sign outside of city hall. I personally have stopped in city hall numerous times with questions about what's going on. I am ALWAYS given time by employees to answer any questions I have. Everyone is welcome to attend council meetings, Park and Rec meetings, and Planning and Zoning. If you can't make those meetings, the entirety of each meeting is recorded and online to view. The council has voted on a new accounting program that will break down every dollar spent and where. A much better, transparent system than we have now and I believe will be available to view. If you are interested in what is happening in our city, it's all there. People just have to take some personal responsibility to look and participate.(edited)

4
Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1d

Sandy
but workshops?? What happens? It's not recorded.

Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
• Breezy Point•1d

Kathi
We audio record and have minutes.

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Kathi Malone
Kathi Malone
• Breezy Point•1d

Mayor
so where can we access the audio. ?

Mayor Angel Zierden
Mayor Angel Zierden
• Breezy Point•1d

Kathi
Give the city a call.

Dick Burns
Dick Burns
• BP Locals•1d

Sandy

Kathi

The residents are Not asking for a monthly, quarterly newsletter...but a newsletter when large funds are involved, such as anything over a certain dollar amount guessing, but say \$1,000,000. And a citywide Vote on an expenditure over say \$2-3,000,000.

There is so much talk as to how can we afford/spend \$3,000. on this newsletter, but the Council Is willing to spend \$5,000,000. on an Taj Mahal City Hall(not my words, but a city Council member words). Just not very consistent actions.

3

Sandy Logelin

Sandy Logelin

- Breezy Point•1d

Kathi

workshops are open to residents to attend and be involved in. They are held because there just isn't enough time during monthly meetings to get all the information and discuss whatever is needed.

Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•1d

Sandy

I know. I've attended.

Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•1d

Mayor

I will.

Dena E.

Dena E.

- Breezy Point•1d

Dick

yes! Exactly! I wish you would run next election! 😊

2

Sandy Logelin

Sandy Logelin

- Breezy Point•1d

On workshops, believe me, none of us like them or like having to do them, but they are just a needed part of running city government. Please feel free to join any workshops that interest you. They are posted on the city website.

Dena E.

Dena E.

- Breezy Point•Edited 1d

Sandy

you should run next election! I would vote for you!(edited)

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Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•1d

Dick

I guessed that.

Sandy Logelin

Sandy Logelin

- Breezy Point•1d

Dick

seems like a reasonable request.

Patrick Wussow

Patrick Wussow

- Buschmann•1d

Sandy, the mayor of breezy point is a voting member of the city council. The only mayor that breaks ties on our area is the brainerd mayor. Which is called the weak mayor form of... See more

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Sandy Logelin

Sandy Logelin

- Breezy Point•1d

Thanks Patrick!

Kathi Malone

Kathi Malone

- Breezy Point•21h

Dick

I was out of town too. Back in Dec.

Mayor Angel Zierden

Mayor Angel Zierden

- Breezy Point•Edited 17h

Dick

The fact that I took two hours out of my day to speak with you last week, and still you show no appreciation for my time, speaks volumes. I've already answered these questions and no one needs you to speak for them. If anyone has other questions, they can reach out via phone or email. You no longer have my ear.(edited)

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Dick Burns

Dick Burns

- BP Locals•9h

Mayor

Let me Refresh your memory, You requested a meeting with me...and you wasted my time by not answering my questions. You are the Leader of our city and claim to be transparent , but you won't answer simple questions here...for BP residents to see.