

## NOTES FROM CITY HALL – FEBRUARY 2024

The Presidential Nomination Primary Election is March 5<sup>th</sup> from 7:00 am to 8:00 pm. The polling place for Elysian residents is City Hall, 110 West Main Street. Voters can register to vote on the same day at the polling place. Nomination primary voters must request the ballot of the major political party for whose candidate the individual wishes to vote. Polling place election judges must record in the polling place roster the name of the major political party whose ballot the voter requested. The county auditor must include the name of the major political party whose ballot the voter requested with the voting history of the nomination primary election. The major political party ballot selected by a nomination primary voter is private data, except that it will be shared with the chair of the major political party of their choice in the State of Minnesota. The purpose of the Presidential Nomination Primary Election is to nominate candidates to be voted for at the General Election to be held on Tuesday, November 5, 2024.

The Elysian Area Chamber sponsored Winter's Farmer's Market will be held on March 9<sup>th</sup>, April 13<sup>th</sup>, and May 11<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm at Main Street Venue, 117 East Main Street. For more information about becoming a vendor please contact Tasha 507-995-0687 or Ellie at 507-521-2234.

The American Legion Post 311 – Elysian Omelette Bar will be held the second Sunday of the Month from 9:00 am to 12:00 Noon.

There will be a Potluck at the Elysian Methodist Church, 201 Fourth Street on March 13<sup>th</sup>, April 10<sup>th</sup>, and May 8<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 Noon.

Le Sueur County 2024 Board of Review & Equalization will be April 9<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm at Le Sueur County Government Center (Courthouse) – Open Book.

The City of Elysian Emergency Management team is looking to add some additional team members. If you are interested in joining the Elysian Emergency Management Team, please contact Elysian City Hall for more information at 507-267-4708. New team members would need to attend Skywarn Training on April 10, 2024 at 6:30 pm at the Le Sueur Government Center (courthouse).

Mark your calendar: City-wide Clean Up will be held May 18<sup>th</sup> at Lake Francis Park.

There is now a sharps container located in front of the Elysian Fire Hall, 202 Main Street E, available for the public to use to safely dispose of sharps such as contaminated syringes, needles, lancets, scalpels, infusion needle sets, connection needles, and auto-injectors. Thank you for safely disposing of these items.

Please Note: Per City Ordinance §70.01 – (B1) At 3 inches of snow accumulation or more, no parking or leaving cars on any street or avenue will be allowed between the hours of 5:00 am and 10:00 am. (B2) Notwithstanding the above, parking in the Central Business District shall be prohibited between the hours of 2:00 am and 7:00 am between the dates of November 15<sup>th</sup> and April 15<sup>th</sup>.

**UPCOMING ELYSIAN AREA LIBRARY & HERITAGE CENTER EVENTS:** *Book Talk* – February 21<sup>st</sup> at 10:00 am Adult (book available at Library); *Kindergarten Card Party* – February 24<sup>th</sup>; *Secret Science of Popcorn* – February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm Age 7+; *Puzzle Derby* – March 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am; *Lego Club* – March 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am; *Canvas Bag* – March 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 pm; *Romp & Rhyme Storytime* – March 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am; *Little Explorers* – March 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am; *Book Talk* – March 27<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 am. For questions about events or to register please call 507-267-4411 or email [libtle@tds.lib.mn.us](mailto:libtle@tds.lib.mn.us) Please note: *Crochet and Conversation* is cancelled for the remainder of the spring. Look for an edition this fall.

The Elysian Area Foundation is sponsoring Bingo on Friday evenings at the Elysian American Legion Club at 6:30 pm. Please contact Pat Nusbaum if you would like to volunteer – 507-317-0532.

**ELYSIAN CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING SUMMARY  
FEBRUARY 12, 2024 AT 6:00 PM**

Present: Mayor Tom McBroom, Sr.; Councilmembers Bobby Houlihan, Dennis Schnoor; Bryan Suemnick, and Derek Westby; City Administrator Lorri Kopischke; Public Works Director Ron Greenwald; City Attorney Jason Moran. Absent: None

The meeting opened with the Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag.

Approved the minutes of the January 8, 2024 Regular Meeting.

Le Sueur County Captain Bruce Collins reported that the month of January was quiet in the City.

Public Comment: None.

Approved Resolution No. 887/24 – Adopting Findings of Fact and Reasons for Approval for Variance Application of Sue Odegarden Simon at 8 Roots Beach Lane for a house addition and construction of attached garage.

Approved Resolution No. 888/24 – Adopting Findings of Fact and Reasons for Approval for Variance Application of Mike and Kelly Toenges and Gregg and Diane Dertinger at 506 Lake Avenue NW to demolish cabin and build new in approximate same footprint.

Reviewed and set Public Hearing for consideration of Ordinance No. 112/24 – An Ordinance Repealing Chapter 154 – Floodplain Management in its Entirety and Replacing Enacting Ordinance No. 112/24.

Requested Public Works obtain a quote for frame up restoration of the City owned street sweeper.  
Approved trimming of the brush in the sewer easement north of Sakatah Trail west of Elysian Auto.

Approved the waiving of sewer usage fee of \$1,097.45 due to a burst water pipe at 102 Willow Point Drive.

Approved the amendment of pay rate for part time summer help Tanner Hadler to \$15 per hour effective June 1, 2024.

Approved hire of Katie Corr for part time public works worker.

Approved SEH Engineering to assist in the preparation and submittal of the DNR Trail Connection Grant for construction of the trails and connection to Sakatah State Trail at Sunset Park.

Approved amendment of the City of Elysian Personnel Policy page 19, Section Sick and Safe Time description and Section a) Eligibility/Accrual as it relates to Council Members, Election Judges and Volunteer Firefighters.

Approved an amendment to the 2024 Fee Schedule to include the Janesville Township water rates.

Approved the Pay Equity Report as prepared by Minnesota Valley Council of Governments.

Reminder of Joint Meeting with City Council, Planning and Zoning Commission, and Economic Development Authority on February 27, 2024 at 6:00 pm to discuss the update to the Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

Approved bills, payroll, and transfers in the amount of \$868,923.01.

Public Comment: None.

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.