

NOTES FROM CITY HALL – APRIL 2024

Hydrants will be flushed every third Thursday: April 18, May 16, June 20, July 18, August 15, September 19, October 17, and November 21.

The City brush pile (located at the sanitary sewer pond off County Road 14) is open for the season. The hours are Wednesdays 4:00 to 7:00 pm and Saturdays 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. Open only to citizens of the City of Elysian. Leaves, brush, and tree wood allowed – no building materials.

Waseca County 2024 Board of Review & Equalization will be April 23rd from 1:00 to 4:00 pm at the Waseca County Courthouse - Open Book.

Annual Water Quality Report. The 2023 Consumer Confidence Report of the City of Elysian Drinking Water will not be published or mailed but is available at: <https://www.elysianmn.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/consumer-confidence-report-2023.pdf> You can view your 2023 annual water quality report and learn more about your drinking water. To speak with someone about the report please call 507-267-4708. If you would like a paper copy of the report, please stop by City Hall to pick up a paper copy or call 507-267-4708 and we will mail you a copy of the report.

There will be a Potluck at the Elysian Methodist Church, 201 Fourth Street on May 8th at 12:00 Noon.

The City of Elysian Emergency Management team is looking to add 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.

The Elysian Area Chamber sponsored Winter's Farmer's Market will be held on May 11th 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.

Mark your calendar: Chamber sponsored City Wide Garage Sales will be held May 10th and 11th. Free advertising. Pick up your registration form at City Hall or Uptown Cuts. Registration form must be returned no later than May 1st to be included in advertising.

The City-Wide Clean Up will be held May 18th at Lake Francis Park. More details to come.

Elysian 4th of July celebration will kick off on the evening of July 2nd with the Miss Elysian Pageant with events continuing through July 7th. Fireworks will be Friday, July 5th following Fireman's Bingo under the tent.

UPCOMING ELYSIAN AREA LIBRARY & HERITAGE CENTER EVENTS: *Construction Site: Let's Build* – April 16th at 10:00 am; *Book Talk* – April 17th at 10:00 am; *Elysian Area Fundraiser Event – Sip, Paint & Support the Library*, Elysian American Legion – May 4th at 2:00 pm; *Elysian Area Fundraiser Event – Spring Book Sale* – May 11th from 8:00 to 12:00 noon; *Mr. Rogers Neighborhood Party* – May 13th at 11:00 am. For questions about events or to register please call 507-267-4411 or email libtle@tds.lib.mn.us The library will be taking book donations for the upcoming May and July book sales until May 1st. Accepted: gently used puzzles, board games, books - child through adult. Not accepted: cassette tapes, encyclopedias, VHS, used magazines. After May 1st, the library will not resume receiving donations until September 1st. This is due to space limitation. Thank you for your understanding.

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 SPECIAL AND REGULAR MEETING SUMMARY APRIL 8, 2024 AT 5:30 PM

Present: Mayor Pro Tem Dennis Schnoor; Councilmembers Bryan Suemnick and Derek Westby; City Administrator Lorri Kopischke; Public Works Director Ron Greenwald. Absent: Mayor Tom McBroom, Sr.; Councilmember Bobby Houlihan; City Attorney Jason Moran.

A Special Meeting was held at 5:30. Greg Burkhardt, Auditor, Burkhardt & Burkhardt, presented the 2023 Audit Report. He reported that the City Financial Statements are in order and the results of the audit are positive.

The Regular City Council meeting opened at 6:00 pm with the Pledge of Allegiance to the US Flag.

Approved the minutes of the March 11, 2024 Regular Meeting and March 13, 2024 Joint Work Session.

Le Sueur County Captain Bruce Collins reported all has been good in the City. With the springtime there are more traffic related issues. The buoys will be put in the lake soon. The Council thanked Captain Collins for the increased presence within the City. They asked that the speed on County Road 11 by Roemhildts Development be patrolled.

Public Comment: None.

Approved the 2024 City of Elysian – Employment Agreement Geese Control.

Held a public hearing and approved Resolution #892/24 – To Accept and Approve the Liquor License Application from KRO Bar, Inc. dba the Thirsty Beaver Bar for On Sale, Off Sale, and Sunday Intoxicating Liquor.

Approved the repair of the dugouts at the Lake Francis Park fields with a green, white, and black color scheme with the City paying for any needed building permits.

Approved Civil Defense purchase of (3) three batteries for radios at approximately \$250 each.

Held a public hearing and adopted Ordinance #113/24 – An Ordinance Regulating Native Plantings consistent with MSA §412.95 in the City of Elysian, Le Sueur County, Minnesota.

Received and reviewed a partial set of plans from SEH Engineering for the Water Treatment Plant Final Layout (60%) Design Review.

Approved the purchase of the John Deere Z970R 72" mower with tweels less the trade in of the 2020 John Deere Z970R 60" mower in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.

Tabled consideration of window tinting of City Hall windows to the May 13, 2024 City Council meeting.

Received report from SEH Engineering on punch list items for 2023 Street and Utility Improvement Project.

Congratulated the Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator and the staff for earning the MPCA Certificate of Commendation Wastewater Treatment Facility Operational Award.

Approved Resolution #893/24 – Approving a Request for Minor Subdivision at 300 Third Street NE and 204 Third Street NE.

Approved Resolution #894/24 – Setting the Environmental Utility Fund Rates for 2024 to include a Maximum Allowable Commercial Fee,

Approved Resolution #895/24 – Accepting a donation from Brad and Kathy Brozik for Sunset Sports Courts renovation.

Approve Resolution #896/24 – Granting Approval for One-Day Off Site Lawful Gambling License to Elysian Fire Department Relief Association for Bingo and Raffle July 5, 2024.

Scheduled a public hearing for consideration of Ordinance #114/24 – An Ordinance Establishing Salaries for the Mayor and City Council for the City of Elysian, Le Sueur / Waseca Counties, Minnesota for May 13, 2024 at 6:05 pm.

Accepted the resignation of Shelly Ims from the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Reminder of Joint Meeting with City Council, Planning and Zoning Commission, and Economic Development Authority on April 11, 2024 at 6:00 pm to discuss the update to the Comprehensive Land Use Plan.

Severe Weather Awareness Week is April 8-12, 2024. Tornado Drill Day is Thursday, April 11th with sirens at 1:45 and 6:45 pm.

The Le Sueur County 2024 Board of Review & Equalization is scheduled for April 9, 2024 from 10:00 am to 6:00 pm at Le Sueur County Government Center (Courthouse) – Open Book.

The Waseca County 2024 Board of Review & Equalization is scheduled for April 23, 2024 from 1:00 to 4:00 pm at the Waseca County Courthouse – Open Book.

Skywarn Training will be held April 10, 2024 at 6:30 pm at the Le Sueur County Justice Center.

ISG's Second Annual Future of Southern Minnesota Lakes Conference will be held April 12-13, 2024 at the Mayo Clinic Health System Event Center, Mankato.

Approved bills, payroll, and transfers in the amount of \$181,480.76.

Public Comment: None. The meeting adjourned at 7:08 pm.