

August 8, 2023

The Remer City Council held their regular meeting August 8, 2023, 5:33 P.M. at the Remer City Hall.

## **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Mark Gravelle, Dave Anderson, Diane Ammerman, Brandon Nelson and Katelyn Edstrom

Pledge of Allegiance

## **ADDITIONS TO AGENDA**

**Mayor Gravelle called the Public hearing meeting to order @ 5:30 P.M.**

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

Ordinance Amendment 23-01 Keeping of Chickens

7.7 Animal Husbandry.

1. Keeping of Chickens

A. The keeping or harboring of less than 15 hen chickens on residentially zoned property shall not require a permit.

B. The keeping or harboring of more than 15 hen chickens on residentially zoned property shall require an approved conditional use permit.

C. The keeping of chickens shall only be allowed on residentially zoned properties.

D. The keeping of roosters or male chickens is prohibited.

E. Every person who owns, controls, keeps, maintains or harbors hen chickens must keep them confined on the premises at all times in a Chicken Coop or Chicken Run while in the City. Any Chicken Coop and/or Chicken Run shall be screened with a solid fence or landscaped buffer with a minimum height of four (4) feet. Any Chicken Coop and Chicken Run shall be at least 25 feet from any residential structure or any other premises on any adjacent lots.

F. All Chicken Coops and Chicken Runs must be located within the rear yard subject to the required setbacks for the principal building and at least 25 feet from any dwelling or any other premises on any adjacent lots. All Chicken Coops must be a minimum of 4 square feet per chicken in size, must not exceed 10 square feet per chicken in size and must not exceed 6 feet in total height. Attached fenced-in Chicken Runs must

not exceed 20 square feet per chicken and fencing must not exceed six feet in total height. Chicken runs may be enclosed with wood and/or woven wire materials and may allow chickens to contact the ground. Chicken feed must be kept in metal, predator proof containers. Chicken manure shall not be placed in yard compost piles.

G. Chicken coops must either be:

- i. Elevated with a clear open space of at least 24 inches between the ground surface and framing/floor of the coop; or,
- ii. The coop floor, foundation and footings must be constructed using rodent resistant construction.
- iii. Chicken Coops are not allowed to be located in any part of a home and/or garage.
- iv. Chickens must be secured in a Chicken Coop from sunset to sunrise each day.
- v. Chickens shall be properly cared for, shall not create problems for neighbors or the City and shall have sanitary standards maintained consistent with 7.6(3).

H. Any Chicken Coop and Chicken Run authorized by permit under this Section may be inspected at any reasonable time by an agent of the City.

I. Slaughter and breeding of Chickens on any premises within the City is prohibited.

**Ammerman-Edstrom: Approved Ordinance Amendment 23-01. Keeping of Chickens. All Approved.**

**Anderson-Edstrom close public hearing @ 5:37 P.M. All Approved**

**Mayor Gravelle opened regular meeting @ 5:38 P.M.**

## **REPORTS**

Remer Volunteer Fire Department

1. Report 6/13/23

Remer Municipal Liquor

1. Cannabinoid Product Compliance fact sheet
2. On and Off July sales are up
3. Off Sale computer system update with RITE-Cloudretailer

Off Sale manager, Steve Maeger will register with State of Minnesota for the sale of edible cannabinoid products.

**Neslon-Anderson: Approved purchase and 3 year contract with RITE-Cloudretailer to update computer system for off sale. All Approved.**

Maintenance Department, Supervisor Tyler Seifert

1. Water Shed
2. Johnson Jet Line-life stations
3. Valve at main pond installed
4. Called for alley bids
5. Main Street sweeping
6. Dirt on streets from Savannah Pallets trucks
7. Sewer pond fence line is cleaned, need to replace missing section on southside.
8. Internship completed
9. Harvest Festival trap tournament
10. Letter addressing MN Dot brush dump

Remer Volunteer Ambulance Department, Chief Diane Ammerman

1. Taxing District approved \$ 169,000.00 2024 levy
2. Guardian flight

Airport

1. Obstruction removal grant

City Council

1. Marc Ruyak letter asking the city council to pay for portables each year going forward for Bigfoot days.

City council will need to be contacted prior to the event and will review requests each year going forward.

**Anderson-Edstrom: Approved Consent Agenda. All Approved.**

1. **July 13 & July 18, 2023, Minutes**
2. **Financials- July Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Balance (Schedule 1), Receipts Register and Disbursements Register**
3. **Claims 7/1-7/51/23 & 34731-35014 Totaling \$ 273,406.16**
4. **Permits-**
5. **Regular meeting- Tuesday September 12, 202- 5:30 PM @ City Hall  
Working session- Monday September 4, 2023- 5:30 PM @ City Hall**

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. UFCW Local 1189-re-open current labor agreement

**INFORMATION**

1. LGA 2024

**Ammerman-Nelson: Approved adjourning regular meeting. All Approved.**

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Mark Gravelle, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Elizabeth Blundell, Clerk