

June 11, 2024

The Remer City Council held their regular meeting June 11, 2024, 5:30 P.M. at the Remer City Hall.

ROLL CALL

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

Pledge of Allegiance

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

Mayor Gravelle called regular meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

NEW BUSINESS

Joni Golden discussed the possibility of annexing her property to the township

REPORTS

Remer Volunteer Fire Department, Kristian Myers Chef

RVFD 06/11/2024 Council Meeting

Two calls in May.

5/12: Grass fire on County 4

5/12: Wild fire at Aitkin County line on 200

Truck committee Three members visited Custom Fire on 5/15 in Osceola WI. Toured facility, looked at a couple similar rigs in production. Waiting on a very preliminary drawing based on our current ideas.

695: Skid moved to 695. 694 is now extrication rig; captains are putting together a plan for refurbishing.

FireCatt: testing hose and ladders on July 23rd from 8-noon. We will need the entire parking lot.

Relief Association Pancake Feed: Big success again.

Grant: I applied for the annual DNR matching grant (up to \$5,000) to purchase wildland equipment and PPE.

Storage: With 4 sites accumulating spent games (3 ½ year retention), the Relief Assoc is in need of additional storage space. We are applying to the city for a Land Use Permit to place a 20' metal storage container on the NW side (back) of the fire hall. See application.

Donation to City of Remer Truck and Equipment Fund: The members of the Relief Association voted to donate \$6,000 for the future purchase of two sets of PPE. This is money raised at our pancake breakfasts. This totals \$9,000 in donations for 2024. See notice below to be put in the newspaper with a photo.

FIRE Inc. Meeting Mike Schwankle on 6/21 to set our training schedule for 24-25.

Training: 06/19/2024 Small engine, tools and equipment reviews. In-house training.

Land Use Permit Application has been submitted to build gravel pad to set 20' storage container behind Fire Hall, Relief Association needs additional storage.

Maintenance Department, Tyler Seifert Supervisor-

Joe Janson, Mn Rural Water discussed funding opportunities with USDA for utility projects. The city will contact Tyler Ray, Rural Development USDA.

Alex Bitter, WSN discussed Industrial Avenue proposal to assist the city with possible project to blacktop and funding available.

Edstrom-Anderson: Approved Confirmation of Request For Engineering Services, cost estimates and exhibits \$ 3,200.00. All Approved.

Maintenance Monthly Report

We contacted Jeff Woodford, Cass County Environmental Services Director and American Disposal about recycle dumpsters, asking for help and suggestions on keeping the area clean. Cass County will not help keep recycle area clean, Mr. Woodford's suggestion was to remove the dumpsters. The city posted signs reminding people to break down cardboard. American Disposal will work with the city keeping the area clean.

Mn DOT will mow drainage ditch once it is dry, if the city wants it maintained more often, we will have to do the mowing and trimming.

Summer intern started Monday June 10.

Replaced urinal at the municipal bar

Discharged secondary #2

Fixed water leak Second Ave by the car wash

We are busy mowing and trimming

Speed bumps put in today

Main Street curb painting will be done early next week, weather permitting.

Johnson Jet Line started jetting and videotaping sewer lines

Lift stations have been cleaned

Minnesota Pump Works Scheduled pump maintenance agreement to include 5 stations, 10 pumps inspected once per year cost \$ 994.00.

Will contact Steve Williams on campground directional signage on Co 4 & Main Street, two-sided 3 x 6 sign., we need to revisit conditional use permit for campground. City will remove tree in the corner for better view of the Bigfoot statue once it is put in place.

Remer Area Chamber of Commerce & Northland Lions Club, President Bob Stoeckel- Reviewed Harvest Festival Parade Permit Application, August 10, 2024. Update on the ATV trail. The Bigfoot statue is progressing.

Ammerman-Edstrom: Approved Parade Permit on Truck Highway Right of Way Application for the Remer Area Chamber of Commerce August 10, 2024. All approved.

ISD 118- Nothing to report

Remer Volunteer ambulance Department, Chief Diane Ammerman reported the department had 20 calls, face sheet issues have been corrected. Made a \$65,000.00 transfer from the CD to Ambulance General Fund.

Council-

Minnesota State Demographic Center 2023 population estimate 406 and household estimate 181.

Set public hearing for July 9, 2024, at 5:30

CITY OF REMER NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Remer City Council will hold a public hearing at the Remer City Hall at ____p.m. on ____, 2024 to consider vacation of the following described public right of way within the City of Remer:

The North 10 feet of Pine Street lying south of and adjacent to Blocks One (1) and Two (2), Harkers Addition to Remer

AND

The South 10 feet of Pine Street lying north of and adjacent to Blocks Three (3) and Four (4), Harkers Addition to Remer

AND

The East 10 feet of Pleasant Avenue lying west of and adjacent to Blocks Two (2) and Three (3), Harkers Addition to Remer

AND

The West 10 feet of Pleasant Avenue lying east of and adjacent to Blocks One (1) and Four (4), Harkers Addition to Remer

There will be no working meeting in July 2024.

Ammerman-Anderson: Approved Consent Agenda. All Approved.

1. **May 12, 2024, Minutes**
2. **Financials- May Statement of Receipts, Disbursements and Balance (Schedule 1), Receipts Register and Disbursements Register.**
3. **Claims- 5/1-5/44/24 & 35809-36015 Total \$ 142,634.71**
4. **Permits-None**
5. **Regular meeting- Tuesday July 9, 2024- 5:30 PM @ City Hall**

Remer Municipal Liquor-

On Sale Report

BARUPDATE

HELLOEVERYONE!

WEAREHAVINGBAGTOURNAMENTS IN THE BACK OF THE MUNI ONCE A MONTH THROUGH SEPTEMBER.

LIVEMUSIC ONTHE PATIO TWICE A MONTH.

WEJUSTORDEREDSOMENEWTEES AND ALSO SOME COLOR CHANGING EVENT CUPS! THEY WILL BE FUN!

WE HAVEMOVEDSOME PRETTY GOOD INVENTORY WITH THE MARKDOWN PRICES, WHICH IS STILL ABOVE OUR COST.

WE DISCONTINUED TUESDAY BINGO UNTIL LATE FALL, BECAUSE OF THE NICER WEATHER, I BELIEVE, BINGO HAS SLOWED DOWN.

WE ARE NOW HAVING "TAP TUESDAYS" ALL DAY/ALL NIGHT \$3.00 DOMESTIC AND \$4.00 SPECIALTY 16 OUNCE BEERS.

WE DESPERATLY NEED NEW TABLES IN THE BAR, THEY ARE BEING HELD, SOMEWHAT, STABLE WITH STACKED

UP COASTERS, ITS QUITE EMBARRASSING WHEN THE TABLE ROCKS, AND THE CUSTOMERS BEVERAGES SLOP, OR THEY ARE RE- ADJUSTING COASTERS TO LEVEL THEIR TABLE. OUR TABLES ARE 10-12 YEARS OLD OR POSSIBLY OLDER. WE ALSO HAVE SOME PRETTY RUGGED BAR STOOLS, SOME WITH TEARS, SOME LEANERS AND EVEN SOME WITH SCREWS COMING THROUGH THE VINYL. WE COULD GET THE BAR STOOLS GRADUALLY, LIKE 5 AT A TIME, IF NEED BE. WE HAVE 46 BAR STOOLS APPROXIMATE COST \$3,128.00, HI TOP TABLES, WE HAVE 7,

APPROXIMATE COST \$1,798. PLEASE CONSIDER THIS MAINTINACE FOR THE BAR!

INVENTORY HAS BEEN REALLY GOOD EACH MONTH, ALONG WITH SPOT CHECKS IN BETWEEN.

PULL TABS (AS OF 3PM TODAY) I DO NOT HAVE A NUMBER YET FROM THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. MAY SALES WERE UP, HOWEVER, PULL TAB SALES WERE DOWN, ON AVERAGE WE SELL 25-30 BOXES A MONTH. THE MONTH OF MAY WE SOLD 16, ALL THOUGH ETABS HAD A NICE DEPOSIT IN MAY. THAT'S ALL FOR **NOW**, THANKS!

Off Sale

Need to see June promotions

Edstrom-Anderson: Approved adjourning regular meeting @ 7:30PM. All Approved.

Mark Gravelle, Mayor

ATTEST:

Elizabeth Blundell, Clerk

