

**CITY OF LAKE ELMO  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
MAY 2, 2023**

**CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*Mayor Cadenhead called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.*

**PRESENT:** Mayor Charles Cadenhead and Councilmembers Katrina Beckstrom, Matt Hirn, Jeff Holtz and Lisa McGinn.

Staff present: Administrator Handt, City Attorney Sonsalla, City Engineer Griffin, Assistant Public Works Director Swanepoel and City Clerk Johnson.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

*Councilmember Holtz, seconded by Councilmember Hirn, moved TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED. Motion passed 5 – 0.*

**ACCEPT MINUTES**

*Councilmember McGinn, seconded by Councilmember Holtz, moved TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE APRIL 4, 2023 AND APRIL 18, 2023 CITY COUNCIL MEETING AS PRESENTED. Motion passed 5 – 0.*

**PRESENTATIONS**

Mayor Cadenhead presented a certificate of recognition to Public Works Operator Bob Wier for his 5 years of service with the City.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS/INQUIRIES**

Ada & John Stazny, 9250 Lake Jane Trail N., asked about resident input on the dog park and expressed concern regarding traffic increase in the area due to dog park visitors.

James Woods, 461 Cimarron, commented on forever chemicals in the well at Cimarron and parking restrictions on all streets in Cimarron. Mr. Woods described difficulties with accessing his handicap accessible van in his driveway and stated he feels that his federal rights are being violated.

John Howley, 8190 Lake Jane Trail N., stated he lives near the proposed pickleball courts at Pebble Park and expressed concern regarding noise created by pickleball games and increased traffic created by the additional courts and dog park.

Mary Ellen & Bill Best, 8895 42<sup>nd</sup> Street N., stated they live near the dog park and commented that the location is not appropriate due to too much water at the site and additional traffic that will be generated.

Jennifer Watters, 4180 Irvin Circle N., expressed concern about the dog park creating increased traffic and stated that trees do not grow on that site. Ms. Watters stated the city needs to do a traffic study.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

2. Savona Landscape Warranty Security Release for 1<sup>st</sup>-3<sup>rd</sup> Additions and Reduction for 4<sup>th</sup> Addition
3. Approve Payments and Disbursements
4. Approve 2023 Grant Agreement for Municipal Recycling Grant Distribution
5. Approve Updated City Clerk Job Description
6. Authorize Advertising and Hiring of Planning Intern
7. Approve Plans and Specifications and Order Advertisement for Bids for 2023 Trail Improvements – *Resolution 2023-043*

***Councilmember Holtz, seconded by Councilmember Hirn, moved TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED. Motion passed 5 - 0.***

### **ITEM 8: Set Sale Resolution – 2023 Bonds**

City Administrator Handt reported that the 2023 Bonds would be used to fund projects in the 2023-2027 CIP that includes the Old Village Phase 7 and 2023 Street Improvements. Tammy Omdahl, Northland Securities, reviewed the terms of the bonds, estimated interest cost and recommended the city seek a bond rating.

***Councilmember Hirn, seconded by Councilmember Holtz, MOVED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2023-041: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE AND SALE OF \$5,875,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2023A. Motion passed 5 – 0.***

***Councilmember Holtz, seconded by Councilmember Hirn, moved TO APPROVE THE MUNICIPAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH NORTHLAND SECURITIES, INC. Motion passed 5 – 0.***

### **ITEM 9: Pebble/Tablyn Courts Project**

Assistant Public Works Director Swanepoel reviewed the project schedule and background and presented proposed changes at both parks to reconstruct the existing tennis courts and convert part of the tennis courts to pickleball courts.

Jennifer Watters, 4180 Irvin Circle N., commented on correct spacing for pickleball courts, need for fencing between the courts, need for benches and concern about parking and sound mitigation.

Discussion held regarding number of pickleball courts planned for Pebble Park, sound mitigation and project budget.

***Mayor Cadenhead, seconded by Councilmember McGinn, moved TO TABLE THE CURRENT AGENDA ITEM. Motion passed 5 – 0.***

### **COUNCIL REPORTS**

**Councilmember Holtz:** Reported on the ISD 834 facility meetings and commended volunteers for their work in Sunfish Lake Park.

### **STAFF REPORTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Administrator Handt:** Provided a reminder that the May 9<sup>th</sup> workshop agenda includes a discussion regarding Cimarron.

**Assistant Public Works Director Swanepoel:** Reported on the Arbor Day tree giveaway event, pothole patching, hydrant flushing and park cleanup.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.

**LAKE ELMO CITY COUNCIL**

ATTEST:

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Charles Cadenhead, Mayor

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Julie Johnson, City Clerk