



The regular council meeting of the City of Browns Valley, MN was held in the meeting room of the Public Library. Council members present were Mayor Mike Heck, Tony Miller, Neil Madison, Devan Dobbs, and Jan Biewer. Also, in attendance were City Administrator Jodi Hook-Hansen, Library Director Bernice Piechowski, Code Enforcement Officer Terry Biewer, and City Attorney Matt Franzese.

Absent: City Maintenance Tony Serocki

Others Present: Tina Bartz, Loren Lebeau, Edith Foren, Arlene Reinart and Deputy Miller of Traverse County Sheriff Office

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Heck.
The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

Agenda:

Upon a motion by Dobbs with a second by Madison, the Council unanimously approved the agenda with the additions of Resolution 23-19 Accepting a Grant to the City of Browns Valley in the amount of two \$10,000.00 for grand total of \$20,000.00 from Minnesota Department of Health.

Public Hearing:

City of Browns Valley will conduct a public hearing to determine whether public nuisance exists at 330 2nd Street North, Browns Valley, MN.

- Does a public nuisance exist on the above-named real property based on whether there exists on the property a junk vehicle, as defined by Browns Valley Ordinance?
 - Code Enforcement Officer Terry Biewer received a call from the property owner and stated the nuisance was removed. Biewer did a physical inspection to verify junk vehicle has been removed.
- Rita Kloeckner-This Abatement Order is hereby stayed until August 28, 2023, in order to afford the Owner one last opportunity to abate the public nuisance conditions on the Subject Property. Failure to do so by that date shall result in the immediate removal of the junk vehicles on the Subject Property.
 - The public nuisances were not removed and council ordered Biewer to take action to have Fisher's Towing to remove the junk vehicles on the Subject Property.

Consent Agenda:

- Upon a motion by Biewer with a second by Dobbs, the Council unanimously approved the August 14, 2023, Regular Meeting Minutes.
- Upon a motion by Biewer with a second by Madison, the Council unanimously approved the claims for a grand total of \$48,856.74, including Wages (August 16th = \$6,953.35) and the Claims (August 28th = \$41,903.39).
- Upon a motion by Dobbs with a second by Miller, the Council unanimously approved of Resolution 23-18 a Resolution Accepting a donation to the City of Browns Valley in the amount of \$200.00 from Larry Hall

- Upon a motion by Miller with a second by Madison, the Council unanimously approved the Resolution 23-19 Accepting a Grant to the City of Browns Valley in the amount of two \$10,000.00 for grand total of \$20,000.00 from Minnesota Department of Health.

Department Reports:

- Library Director Piechowski reported on activities at the library.
- Code Enforcement Officer Biewer reported on actions done to enforce City ordinances and items completed in the office.
- City Administrator Hook-Hansen reported on administrative items completed in the office.
- City Attorney Franzese gave a verbal report on the deeds that he has performed for the City of Browns Valley.

Unfinished Business:

None at this time.

New Business:

- Upon a motion by Miller with a second by Biewer, the Council unanimously approved to finalize the sale for purchase at 414 W Broadway to allow funding to abate the nuisance per Resolution 23-20 a Resolution Selling Real Property.
- Upon a motion by Miller with a second by Madison, the Council unanimously approved for Building Permit 769 2nd Ave NW (Hanson)
- Hook-Hansen informed the council that she had a resident request to purchase parcel's 20-0005000 and 20-0006000.
- 6:31 P.M. Upon a motion by Dobbs with a second by Biewer, the Council unanimously approved to close the meeting pursuant to Minn, Stat.13D.05 Subd. 3(c) (1) to determine the asking price for real or personal property to be sold by the government entity.
- 6:52 P.M. Upon a motion by Miller with a second by Dobbs, the Council unanimously approved to open the meeting.
- Upon a motion by Dobbs with a second by Miller, the Council unanimously approved to sell the lots 20-0005000 & 20-0006000 at \$200.00 each plus legal fees.

Public Comment: None at this time.

Other Business:

- Upon a motion by Biewer with a second by Miller, the Council unanimously approved to sell lots 20-0129000 and 20-0128000 to Lauren Lebeau at the cost of legal fees due to the fact that she was currently maintaining the lots.
- Upon a motion by Dobbs with a second by Miller, the Council unanimously approved to instruct Library Director Bernice Piechowski to turn off the WIFI during non-working hours.

Browns Valley Regular City Council Meeting Approved Minutes
August 28, 2023

Dates:

September 11th Labor Union Meeting 1:00 P.M.

September 9th Welcoming Week Ambulance/Fire Dept Appreciation Day 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

December 4th & 18th Council Meetings / Truth in Taxation hearings 6:00 P.M.

Items for Council to consider for future: Ordinance concerning the public use of Hemp and Cannabis Products

Items for Staff: List of Properties to sell

Next scheduled meeting: Monday September 11 at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes submitted by:

Approved by:

Jodi Hook-Hansen, City Administrator

Mike Heck, Mayor