



CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES  
TUESDAY APRIL 2, 2024

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING TIME: 6:30 PM**

1. Call to Order

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a regular meeting of the Independence City Council was called to order by Mayor Johnson at 6:30 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Johnson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Johnson, Councilors Spencer, Grotting, McCoy and Betts

Absent: None

Staff: Kaltsas, Simon

Visitors: Attorney Vose

4. \*\*\*\*Consent Agenda\*\*\*\*

All items listed under Consent Agenda are considered to be routine by Council and will be acted on by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

- a. Approval of City Council Minutes from the March 12, 2024, Regular City Council Meeting.
- b. Approval of Accounts Payable (Batch #1; Checks Numbered 22700-22722, Batch #2, Checks Numbered 22723-22734 and Batch #3, Checks Numbered 22735-22742).
- c. Agriculture Preserve Application for the following property: PID No. 30-118-24-22-0002

**Motion by Spencer, seconded by Betts to approve the Consent Agenda. Ayes: Johnson, Betts, Spencer, Grotting and McCoy. Nays: None. Absent: None Abstain: None.  
MOTION DECLARED CARRIED. 5-0**

5. Set Agenda – Anyone Not on the Agenda can be Placed Under Open/Misc.

6. Reports of Boards and Committees by Council and Staff.

**Spencer attended the following meetings:**

- LMCC Executive Committee Meeting
- Planning Commission Meeting
- Joe Baker (out of town) Pioneer Sarah Watershed Management Meeting in his absence
- Board of Appeals and Equalization Meeting



**Grotting attended the following meetings:**

- Board of Appeals and Equalization Meeting

**McCoy attended the following meetings:**

- Board of Appeals and Equalization Meeting

**Betts attended the following meetings:**

- Board of Appeals and Equalization Meeting

**Johnson attended the following meetings:**

- NW League Meeting
- Hwy 55 Corridor Commission Executive Committee Meeting at the State Capital
- Tom Goodwin Meeting
- Local Senate District Convention in Plymouth
- FFA Awards Ceremony for Rockford High School
- MN AG Day Gala at the State Fair Grounds
- Meeting with Orono Healthy Youth
- Met Council State of the Region Meeting
- Sensible Land Use
- Minnehaha Watershed District Hearing regarding County Rd 6 pond
- Board of Appeals and Equalization Meeting
- State of the City LMCC Speech
- Mayor Jerry Rockvam from Spring Park passed away
- Larry Bakken former Golden Valley mayor passed away

7. Open/Misc.

8. Adjourn.

**Motion by Spencer, seconded by McCoy to adjourn at 6:42pm. Ayes: Johnson, Betts, McCoy, Grotting and Spencer. Nays: None. Absent: None Abstain. None.  
MOTION DECLARED CARRIED. 5-0**

9. Meeting adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,

Carrie Solien/Recording Secretary