

**WISHING YOU HAPPINESS THIS HOLIDAY SEASON
AND A HEALTHY NEW YEAR!**

NOTES FROM CITY HALL – DECEMBER 2017

Thank you to everyone who contributed to or attended recent community events and supported the local businesses, food shelf, library, giving tree, Fire Department, and Lake Area Women. These events are successful because of you! Thank you for making Elysian a wonderful place to live!

Mark your calendar: The American Legion Post #311 Annual Ice Fishing Contest will be held on Lake Francis on Sunday, February 4th from 1:30 to 3:30 pm. Many prizes, good stew. Don't forget to get your tickets from any Legion member or Elysian business.

Parking Restrictions during Winter Months: Ordinance 70/11 - At three inches of snow accumulation or more, no parking or leaving cars on any street or avenue will be allowed between the hours of 5 AM and 10 AM. Parking in the Central Business District shall be prohibited between the hours of 2 AM and 7 AM between the days of November 15 and April 15.

Per State Statute 88.171, there is no open burning of garbage allowed in the City of Elysian. Please be respectful to your neighbors and to the environment.

Check out the Elysian Area Library and Heritage Center Facebook page for upcoming events for children and adults.

BINGO – Sponsored by Horizons. Every Friday night, 6:30 pm at the Elysian American Legion Post #311. Proceeds go to community endeavors.

**ELYSIAN CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING SUMMARY
DECEMBER 11, 2017 AT 6:00 PM**

Present were: Mayor Clinton Stoen; Councilmembers Robert Houlihan, Tom McBroom, Mary Opsahl, and Dennis Schnoor; City Administrator Lorri Kopischke; Public Works Director Ron Greenwald; City Utility Clerk Nicole Lamont; and City Attorney Jason Moran. Absent: None.

Held the Truth in Taxation Public Hearing and approved Resolution 599/17 – A Resolution Adopting the Final 2017 Tax Levy, Payable 2018 in the amount of \$561,002.

Held a Public Hearing and approved Resolution 600/17 – A Resolution Adopting the 2018 Final Budget.

Le Sueur County Chief Deputy Nick Greenig reported it has been fairly quiet in the City except for some area break ins. Headway has been made on those crimes and some property has been returned to the owners.

Approved the minutes of the November 13, 2017 Regular Meeting and November 28, 2017 Workshop Meeting.

Public Comment – None.

Approved Resolution 602/17 – Accepting Work and Ordering Final Payment to RAW Construction, LLC, for the 2016 Street and Utility Project.

Approved an updated Agreement for Law Enforcement Services from Le Sueur County effective January 1, 2018.

Changed the February Elysian City Council meeting from February 12, 2018 to February 13, 2018 at 6:00 pm due to the special election being held for the purpose of filling the vacancy in House District 23B State of Minnesota.

Approved Resolution 597/17 – Directing Delinquent Utility Charges in the amount of \$4,058.28 be placed on the property taxes payable in 2018.

Approved Resolution 598/17 – Directing Delinquent Auto Read Meter Charges in the amount of \$125 be placed on the property taxes payable in 2018.

Approved the list of 2018 liquor and soft drink licenses as presented.

Scheduled a year-end City Council meeting for Tuesday, December 26, 2017 at 6:00 pm to address year-end business.

Scheduled a Work Session meeting with MnDOT Representatives regarding the Highway 60 2020 project for Tuesday, January 16, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

Held a Public Hearing and approved Resolution 601/17 – A Resolution Vacating a Portion of a Public Alley located in Parcel ID # 16.410.1000 running east to west between Sixth Street NW and Parcel ID # 16.460.0100.

The EDA will be proceeding with the donation of the property located at 118 East Main Street.

Information was received on the True Transit public transportation program. A brochure will be included with this month's utility bill.

The Council thanked Lake Area Women for the trees in the pots on Main Street. They also expressed appreciation to Lake Area Women, the Fire Department, the Horizon Group, all the volunteers, businesses, and city staff that contributed to the Holiday celebration in Elysian on December 2, 2017.

The deed has been received for the tax forfeit property at 301 Sixth Street NW. Public Works will secure all property.

Approved bills, payroll, and transfers in the amount of \$163,221.71.

Public Comment – None.

The meeting adjourned to closed session to discuss Attorney Client Matter and Land Acquisition at 6:30 pm.