

- MINUTES -
CHASKA CITY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 3, 2025

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hubbard at 7:16 p.m.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Roll Call

Roll call was taken. Present: Mayor Hubbard and Councilmembers Benesh, Grau, Hatfield, and Sheveland.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Matt Podhradsky, City Administrator; Elise Durbin, Assistant City Administrator; Krista Mark, Communications Coordinator; and Christophe Morschen, City Attorney.

4. Adopt the Agenda

Motion by Councilmember Grau, second by Councilmember Hatfield to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

5. Visitor Presentation

No one wished to present to the Council.

6. Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

6.A. Approve the January 6, 2025 City Council Meeting Minutes

This item was not addressed as it was approved at a previous meeting.

7. Consent Agenda

Motion by Councilmember Benesh, second by Mayor Hubbard to approve the Consent Agenda Items A through B:

A. Adopt Resolution 2025-11 Approving Premises Gambling Permit for Chaska Lions at Cuzzy's Brick House

Motion to Adopt Resolution 2025-11 approving the premises permit application for the Chaska Lions Club, to conduct lawful/charitable gambling at Cuzzy's Brick House.

B. Approve Rinkside Advertising Network Agreement at the Chaska Curling Center

Motion to approve Rinkside Advertising Network Agreement.

Motion carried.

8. Action Items

8.A. Commission Appointments

Mayor Hubbard detailed the openings on various Commissions and the interview process.

Councilmember Hatfield pointed out the applicant pool was strong. She thanked the applicants for their interest. Councilmember Grau noted his agreement with Councilmember Hatfield. He stated there may be openings in the near future.

Councilmember Sheveland expressed her excitement about the community's involvement.

Councilmember Benesh agreed with the comments of other Councilmembers.

Mayor Hubbard reiterated the comments of other Councilmembers and noted there are other opportunities to serve Chaska.

Motion by Councilmember Hatfield, second by Councilmember Benesh to appoint Caroll Aasen Jr., Todd Urbanski, Sarah Rostad, and Scott Sailor to the Planning Commission.
Motion carried.

Motion by Councilmember Benesh, second by Councilmember Grau to appoint Terrance Schwerm, Elizabeth Wynveen, and Mike Heuer to the Parks and Recreation Commission.
Motion carried.

Motion by Councilmember Grau, second by Councilmember Sheveland to appoint Kechi Duffy as alternate and Juhi Ghatti as Student Commissioner to the Human Rights Commission.
Motion carried.

Motion by Councilmember Hatfield, second by Councilmember Benesh to appoint Candra Nagisetty, Prescott Phillips, Erin Dupey, and Kalab Snider to the Heritage Preservation Commission.
Motion carried.

8.B. Appointment of 2025 Chaska Parks and Recreation Commission Chair and Vice Chair

City Administrator Podhradsky introduced the item to the Council and provided a presentation on it.

Councilmember Hatfield acknowledged the appointees have been consistent contributors to the Commission and community. Mayor Hubbard noted her agreement.

Motion by Councilmember Grau, second by Councilmember Sheveland to appoint Jason Branch as the 2025 Parks & Recreation Commission Chair.
Motion carried.

Motion by Councilmember Benesh, second by Councilmember Sheveland to appoint Elizabeth Wynveen as the 2025 Parks & Recreation Commission Vice Chair.
Motion carried.

9. Bills

9.A. Accounts Payable Claims Roster 3-2-2025

Motion by Councilmember Hatfield, second by Councilmember Benesh to approve the bills as presented. Roll call was taken. Voting aye: Councilmembers Benesh, Hatfield, Grau, and Sheveland, and Mayor Hubbard. Voting nay: None
Motion carried.

10. Other Business

10.A. City Administrator's Report

10.A.i. Bi-Weekly Report 2-3-2025

Councilmember Hatfield:

- Pointed out the Downtown Business Alliance meeting is on February 14, 2025.
- Noted her appreciation for the Economic Development Coordinator's newsletter.
- Stated the Hwy 41 public meeting is February 19, 2025.
- Thanked the Fire Department and Police Department for handling a high number of calls in January.

Councilmember Benesh:

- Attended the Ice Fishing Tournament hosted by the Fireman's Relief Association.

Councilmember Sheveland:

- Thanked the Commission applicants for their interest in serving Chaska.
- Added Mayor Hubbard has been doing a great job in her new role.

Councilmember Grau:

- Explained there were concerns about traffic around Costco. However, he had not experienced issues with traffic in that area.
- Wished his son a "Happy Birthday!"

Mayor Hubbard:

- Attended the City Engineers Association of Minnesota event where Chaska was recognized.
- Attended the Ice Fishing Tournament hosted by the Fireman's Relief Association.
- Noted the Parks and Recreation Commission is hosting the Little Tots Sweetheart Dance on February 21, 2025.

11. Adjourn

Motion by Councilmember Grau, second by Councilmember Hatfield to adjourn the meeting at 7:45.

Motion carried.