

LAUDERDALE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Lauderdale City Hall
1891 Walnut Street
Lauderdale, MN 55113

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August 13, 2013

Mayor Dains called the City Council meeting to order at 7:34 p.m.

Councilors present: Roxanne Grove, Denise Hawkinson, and Mayor Jeff Dains.
Councilors absent: Mary Gaasch and Lara Mac Lean.

Staff present: Heather Butkowski, City Administrator and Jim Bownik, Assistant to the City Administrator.

Mayor Dains asked for changes to the meeting agenda. Mayor Dains added city t-shirts to the agenda. Councilor Hawkinson moved to approve the amended agenda. Councilor Grove seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Councilor Hawkinson moved to approve the July 23, 2013 City Council meeting minutes. Councilor Grove seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Councilor Hawkinson moved approval of the claims totaling \$112,566.08. Councilor Grove seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Councilor Hawkinson moved to approve the Consent Agenda acknowledging the PCIC minutes. Councilor Grove seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Ramsey County Commissioner Mary Jo McGuire

Commissioner McGuire addressed the Council. She mentioned the County is working on their budget. Due to increases in county aid, she anticipates the county levy will not be increased. When asked about the condition of county roads in Lauderdale, she noted the wheelage tax increase which will net an additional \$3.8 million dollars for county road improvements. She is working with the county engineer to see that roads in each community are improved. She also noted the county board's interest in attracting new businesses and jobs to the TCAAP site and leveraging state money to fund corridors of commerce. The Council thanked her for her service to the community.

The Council took a five minute break.

Day in the Park

Bownik highlighted the Day in the Park activities planned for August 17. There will be games, food, and music. A bench donated by Mary Croteau's family will be dedicated in her honor during the event. All are welcome to join in the fun.

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Agreement with the MWMO for the Tree Inventory Intern

The tree inventory position was funded through a Mississippi Watershed Management Organization (MWMO) grant. The MWMO asked the Council to execute the agreement presented in the packet.

Councilor Grove moved to approve Agreement #308-13-09 with the MWMO for funding for a tree inventory study. Councilor Hawkinson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

City Logo

Tara Thorenson updated the logo design based on Council feedback. The primary consideration for the Council was color scheme. As two councilors weren't present, the logo will be discussed at a future meeting. The Mayor also noted the need to reorder the dark blue "1949" Lauderdale t-shirts. Staff will look into ordering more and ordering some in female cut styles.

Animal Control Ordinance

The council reviewed the changes that had been made since the last meeting. Councilors discussed whether twelve chickens was an appropriate limit and what the criteria would be for granting someone more than twelve chickens. The Council also discussed whether the two like animal limit would apply to all domestic animals or just dog and cats. The recommendation was to limit that provision to dogs and cats. Staff will update the draft and bring in final comments from the city attorney to the next meeting.


Agenda items for the August 27 Council Meeting may include a discussion of the sewer lining project, 2014 budget and levy, the Animal Control Ordinance, and the Larpenteur Avenue pedestrian project.

Mayor Dains explained that the Council was moving into the work session. Work sessions are a continuation of the meeting but not aired on community television.

Mayor Dains asked if anyone wished to address the Council; no one did.

There being no further business on the council agenda, Councilor Hawkinson moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Grove seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Heather Butkowski
City Administrator