

LAUDERDALE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Lauderdale City Hall
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Lauderdale, MN 55113

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January 24, 2012

Mayor Dains called the City Council meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

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

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

Mayor Dains asked for changes to the meeting agenda. Councilor Mac Lean added the donation of a photograph to the agenda. **Councilor Grove moved to approve the agenda as amended. Councilor Hawkinson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

Councilor Gaasch moved to approve the January 10, 2012, City Council meeting minutes. Councilor Mac Lean seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Councilor Mac Lean moved approval of the claims totaling \$33,692.26. Councilor Hawkinson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Councilor Gaasch moved the consent agenda approving 2012 rental housing and business licenses and approving purchase of a replacement computer for the deputy clerk. Councilor Mac Lean seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Seth Dahlquist, 1966 Walnut Street, addressed the Council. He recently purchased a photo of the Lauderdale School and school board from 1921 and wanted to donate it to the City. The council discussed the value of the photo to the City and thanked Dahlquist for donating it.

The Council discussed the draft ordinance that would prohibit parking in alleys for longer than 20 minutes. Staff will ask the city attorney to review it prior to adoption.

Butkowski reviewed the preliminary agenda for the next meeting, which included garbage hauler licenses, Hamline Autobody's conditional use permit application, December Finances, and year-end investment report.

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

The Mayor asked if anyone present wished to address the Council. No one addressed the Council.

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City consultant Paul Bilotta addressed the Council. He identified for the Council the next steps in determining if and where to locate a municipal liquor store. He suggested establishing a liquor store committee with members from council and staff. Councilors Gaasch and Hawkinson volunteered. The Council also directed staff to contact Brian Malzer to see if he would be willing to sit on the committee. The Mayor also suggested hosting a meeting with the business community again to keep them informed.

The Council moved into closed session to perform the city administrator's annual performance review.

The Council came out of closed session and discussed approving the step increase previously established in the City's employment agreement with Butkowski.

Councilor Mac Lean motioned to move Butkowski's compensation to Step 5 of the city administrator's pay scale per the employment agreement. Councilor Gaasch seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

There being no further business on the council agenda, Councilor Hawkinson moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Mac Lean seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Heather Butkowski
City Administrator