

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

April 4, 2012

Mayor Dains called the emergency meeting of the City Council to order at 9:00 p.m.

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

Councilor absent: Lara Mac Lean.

Staff present: Heather Butkowski, City Administrator; David Hinrichs, Public Works Coordinator.

Mayor Dains explained that the meeting was being held to discuss the recent sewage spill and efforts to clean the area impacted.

Butkowski and Hinrichs explained the sewage spill began in a manhole behind Twin City Die Casting (TCDC) the evening of Friday, March 30, 2012. City staff and contractors worked through the night to get the tree roots removed from the drop manhole. The backup itself did not last long but resulted in sewage affecting TCDC's buildings and the surrounding area.

Staff contacted the Minnesota Pollution Control Agency (MPCA) on Monday to ask for guidance on cleanup efforts. Staff received verbal approval that raking and hauling away the material behind Twin City Die Casting (TCDC) on Wednesday morning met with approval. On Wednesday, other MPCA staff said the city needed to expand its cleanup efforts. Staff spent Wednesday afternoon and early evening trying to determine what would meet expectations.

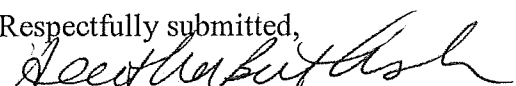
City staff met with Veit USA staff to discuss ways to remove the top layer of soil from behind TCDC and cleanup any remaining material along 33rd Avenue SE. Veit provided a cost estimate approaching \$15,000 for equipment and staff for two days to complete the cleanup.

The Council asked questions related to the spill and proposed cleanup plan.

Councilor Hawkinson moved to contract with Veit USA on the cleanup of the area around TCDC at a cost of approximately \$15,000. Councilor Grove seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Councilor Hawkinson moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Gaasch seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 9:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Heather Butkowski
City Administrator