

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

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July 26, 2011

Mayor Pro Tem Mac Lean called the City Council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

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

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

Mayor Pro Tem Mac Lean asked for changes to the meeting agenda. **Butkowski added the 2003A bond interest payment totaling \$6,952.50. Councilor Hawkinson moved to approve the agenda as amended. Councilor Gaasch seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

Councilor Gaasch moved to approve the July 12, 2011, City Council meeting minutes. Councilor Hawkinson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Councilor Hawkinson moved approval of the claims totaling \$21,294.88. Councilor Gaasch seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Councilor Hawkinson moved the consent agenda item acknowledging June 2011 finances. Councilor Gaasch seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Bownik reported that Minnesota Night to Unite was happening on August 2. Eight blocks have registered. The event encourages the strengthening of community partnerships and dialogue with law enforcement and the fire department. Those participating will receive ice cream through the Cub Foods store in St. Anthony and barricades provided by City Hall.

Butkowski said the state government shut down ended last week. The packet contained information about law changes that affected cities. Butkowski said the items most pressing in Lauderdale surround the state aid and credit allotments. For 2011 and 2012, the City can anticipate receiving the same amount of local government aid as in 2010. This amount reflects a \$100,678 reduction from the certified 2011 amount and is considered a permanent reduction. The City also will not receive about \$30,000 in Market Value Homestead Credit for 2011. To compensate in 2012, residential properties will see a reduction in the portion of their assessed values subject to property taxes. Practically speaking, this means commercial and industrial properties will absorb a tax shift.

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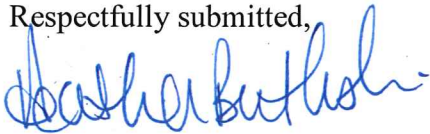
Butkowski said the City has one outstanding bond for the 2003 street improvement project. Principal and interest payments are made in February with an additional interest only payment in August. The interest payment totals \$6,952.50.

Councilor Gaasch moved to approve payment of the 2003A bond interest. Councilor Hawkinson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Butkowski reviewed the preliminary agenda for the next meeting, which included parking ordinance revisions, the field improvement agreement with Roseville Area Youth Baseball, second quarter investment report, and a visit by County Sheriff Matt Bostrom.

There being no further business on the council agenda, Councilor Hawkinson moved to adjourn the meeting. Councilor Gaasch seconded the motion and it carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:45p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Heather Butkowski
City Administrator