

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

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March 8, 2011

Mayor Dains called the City Council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Councilors present: Mary Gaasch, Roxanne Grove, Denise Hawkinson, Lara Mac Lean, and Mayor Jeff Dains. Councilors absent: none.

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

Mayor Dains asked for changes to the meeting agenda. Mayor Dains added the new Cable Commission facility to the agenda. **Councilor Hawkinson moved to approve the agenda as amended. Councilor Mac Lean seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

**Councilor Mac Lean moved to approve the February 22, 2011, City Council meeting minutes. Councilor Gaasch seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

**Councilor Hawkinson moved approval of the claims totaling \$73,987.95. Councilor Mac Lean seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

Mayor Dains asked if anyone in attendance wished to address the Council. No one present wished to do so.

Mayor Dains asked if councilors wished to remove items from the consent agenda. There being no one, **Councilor Hawkinson moved the consent agenda items: 2011 HVAC and rental housing licenses and the 2011 recreation agreement with the City of Roseville. Councilor Gaasch seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

Chief Ohl addressed the Council. He highlighted improvements in Part I and Part II crime statistics as compared to 2009. Part I crimes decreased by 16% while Part II crimes decreased by 19%. The overall clearance rate for 2010 was 64%. He said these results show the commitment to public safety by the council and the community.

The Mayor noted the cooperative police arrangement had been in effect for almost 20 years. The arrangement has received a lot of public attention, especially as of late, as cities are looking to cut costs. Council members thanked the chief and the officers for their efforts.

Mayor Dains told those present that the Cable Commission had moved into new office space on Arthur Street in Roseville. They are hosting an open house from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 10.

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David Gardner previously addressed the Council about installing a pervious paver walkway in the boulevard in front of his house, which currently isn't allowed by ordinance. Staff drafted an encroachment agreement that would allow him to do that. Since Gardner was not able to attend the meeting, final consideration of the agreement can be at the next meeting. The League of Minnesota Insurance Trust reviewed the document and their comments will be incorporated. The only outstanding issue is to set an insurance threshold per the city attorney recommendation. General consensus was \$1,000,000 dollars. That amount can be modified prior to adoption at the next meeting.

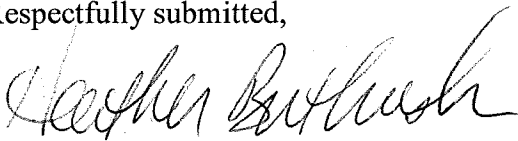
The city attorney reviewed the updates suggested for ordinance Title 1, Chapter 5 governing the City Council. Staff incorporated his additional comments into the document. He proposed a number of small changes that will bring the document into conformance with state law and bring clarity to some of the wording.

**Councilor Hawkinson moved to adopt Ordinance 11-01 regarding city officials as presented. Councilor Gaasch seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.**

Butkowski reviewed the preliminary agenda for the next meeting, which included the annual presentation by State Senator John Marty and State Representative Mindy Greiling; tile cleaning and maintenance quotes; the police contract; municipal liquor store research; and the annual SWPPP presentation on April 26.

**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 8:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,



Heather Butkowski  
City Administrator