

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

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Tuesday, January 8, 2008

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

Council members present: Lara Mac Lean, Denise Hawkinson, Karen Doherty, Clay Christensen, and Mayor Dains.

Administrator Heck administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Dains, council member Hawkinson and council member Mac Lean.

Mayor Dains asked for any additions, deletions, or changes to the meeting agenda.

**Council member Christensen moved to approve the agenda and council member Mac Lean seconded the motion and it carried.**

**Council member Doherty moved to approve the December 11, 2007, City Council meeting minutes. Council member Hawkinson seconded the motion and it carried.**

**Council member Hawkinson moved to approve the claims totaling \$104,708.46. Council member Christensen provided the second and the motion carried.**

Ms. Dawn Bartylla, 1911 Eustis Street, addressed the council on the plowing of the alleys. She said the width of the alley plowing does not seem to be as wide as in recent years. She further commented on the large piles of snow at the end of the alley leading on to the main road.

The council thanked her for her comments and asked staff to check into the situation.

Mayor Dains asked if there were any items to remove from the consent agenda. Council member Doherty requested removal of item 6C approving the 2008 investment policy and 6D approving depositories for 2008. Council member Hawkinson requested removal of item 6F authorizing plans and specifications for the hockey rink improvements. Mayor Dains requested removal of item 6E authorizing plans and specifications for seal coating.

**Council member Hawkinson moved the Consent Agenda approving 2008 rental housing licenses, 2008 gas station, tree, mechanical, cigarette, and 3.2 liquor licenses, and acknowledging Park Committee minutes. Council member Doherty seconded the motion and it carried.**

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Bob Milligan, chair of the comprehensive plan steering committee, introduced the draft Lauderdale comprehensive plan for discussion.

Mayor Dains opened the public hearing at 7:41 p.m.

Mayor Dains closed the hearing at 7:42 p.m.

The council discussed the plan with Mayor Dains addressing concerns related to working with Minneapolis on bike and walking areas. He mentioned a letter he received from Bolger Printing where Minneapolis is considering a parkway option that significantly affects this business.

Butkowski clarified the discussion item in the plan relates to Hennepin Avenue to the West of Lauderdale.

**Council member Christensen moved Resolution #010808B Accepting the Lauderdale Comprehensive Plan and Submission to Neighboring Jurisdictions. Council member Doherty seconded the motion and it carried with council members Mac Lean, Hawkinson, Doherty, Christensen, and Dains voting yes.**

Heck provided a brief update on the TH280 sound wall and bridge. Heck said Mark Goess of MnDOT said he was 95% certain the sound barrier would be constructed this summer.

Bownik provided the council with information on the upcoming Snow\*Commotion event.

Mayor Dains introduced the issue of designating an official newspaper. Heck said Lauderdale arranged an agreement with the Roseville Review in 1998 and designated the publication as the official newspaper for publication of legal notices. The agreement required Lauderdale pay ½ the cost of delivery of the paper to residents. In exchange, Lauderdale received free publication of all legal and other required notices in the Roseville Review in addition to coverage on the council and other community events.

Roseville Review Editor George Fairbanks addressed several questions and comments from the Council members. Mr. Fairbanks said the Review develops many of its stories from suggestions and tips provided by residents in the community. He also said there is a new reporter who will cover Lauderdale.

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**Council member Mac Lean moved to designate the Roseville Review as Lauderdale's official newspaper. Council member Christensen seconded the motion and it carried.**

The council discussed and made appointments to committees, commissions and boards. Heck indicated he has several conflicts making board meetings for the RCLLG and suggests the council appoint a council member to the RCLLG board.

The council will meet on March 25, 2008, at 5:00 p.m. to establish goals and priorities for 2009.

Bownik presented a draft amendment to the recently issued 2008 residents guide and directory.

**Council member Doherty moved to print and mail the supplemental directory to residents in the newsletter if possible. Council member Christensen seconded the motion and it carried.**

The council addressed the items removed from the consent agenda.

Mayor Dains commented he is glad to see the seal coating plans call for no work on Monday and wanted to make sure there is a better job of sweeping this year.

Council member Hawkinson addressed her concern with the hockey rink item and desired more clarification on the numbers before proceeding with the project.

**Council member Doherty moved to appoint council members Hawkinson and Mac Lean and PCIC Chair Micah Harpel to a subcommittee to work with Jim Bownik and the engineer in the clarifying concerns before the Council authorizes the development of plans and specifications. The motion carried with all members voting yes.**

Council member Doherty requested the investment policy and depositories be removed from the consent to avoid any potential conflict of interest.

**Council member Christensen moved to approve Resolution 010808A Adopting the 2008 Investment policy and designating depositories. Council member Hawkinson seconded the motion and it carried with Mac Lean, Hawkinson, Christensen and Dains voting yes. Council member Doherty abstained.**

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The council outlined items for the December 22, 2008, meeting to include a presentation by Commissioner Parker, Larpenteur Avenue discussion and administrator evaluation.

**Council member Hawkinson moved to adjourn the meeting. Council member Doherty seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted

Brian W. Heck  
City Administrator