

**MINUTES
CITY OF LONSDALE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 27, 2010**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rud called a meeting of the Lonsdale City Council to order at 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers at 415 Central Street West.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Daleiden, Kodada, Rud, Furrer, and Pelava

Absent: None

Staff Present: City Administrator Joel Erickson, City Planner Benjamin Baker, City Engineer Kevin Kawlewski, and Public Works Director Russ Vlasak

4. AGENDA

Mayor Rud asked if anyone had any additions, deletions, or corrections to the agenda.

A motion was made by Daleiden and seconded by Furrer to approve the agenda as noted. Vote for: Daleiden, Kodada, Rud, Furrer, and Pelava. Against: None. Vote: 5-0. Motion carried.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by Kodada and seconded by Pelava to approve the minutes from the April 29, 2010 Regular Meeting and the May 13, 2010 Regular Meeting. Vote for: Daleiden, Kodada, Rud, Furrer, and Pelava. Against: None. Vote: 5-0. Motion carried.

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None

7. PRESENTATION OF CITIZEN PETITIONS AND COMMENTS

None

8. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

A motion was made by Kodada and seconded by Furrer to approve the consent agenda as follows:

a. Monthly Bills

b. Treasurer's Report

- c. Board and Commission Minutes
- d. Consider Approval of Resolution 2010-12, a Resolution Approving the Renewal of Charitable Gambling Licenses for the Lonsdale Firemen's Relief Association
- e. Consider Approval to Accept a Sealed Bid Submitted by Ron Johnson in the Amount of \$1,111.00 for a 2006 Crown Victoria

Vote for: Daleiden, Kodada, Rud, Furrer, and Pelava. Against: None. Vote: 5-0. Motion carried.

9. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Consider Approval of a Proposal Submitted by Eide Bailly in the Amount of \$3,500.00 to Examine Cash Balances and Bank Reconciliation of the City for 2009 and the First Four Months of 2010

Erickson provided the Council with a proposal submitted by Eide Bailly to examine the City's cash balances and bank reconciliation for 2009 and the first four months of 2010. Erickson explained that on May 19th, Council Members Rud and Daleiden met with Eide Bailly along with finance staff and himself to discuss the proposal and how to prevent from needing this service in the future. Erickson mentioned that finance staff will be reconciling on a monthly basis from now on and contacting Eide Bailly with any questions so that transactions are completed correctly. Furrer asked if City staff is comfortable with the proposal. Erickson said yes.

A motion was made by Daleiden and seconded by Furrer to approve a proposal submitted by Eide Bailly in the amount of \$3,500.00 to examine cash balances and bank reconciliation of the City for 2009 and the first four months of 2010. Vote for: Daleiden, Kodada, Rud, Furrer, and Pelava. Against: None. Vote: 5-0. Motion carried.

10. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Presentation of a Center Point Energy Community Partnership Grant in the Amount of \$2,500.00 to the Lonsdale Fire Department for Wild Land Turnout Gear

Barry Haggart from CenterPoint Energy presented Fire Department Captain Russ Vlasak with a grant check in the amount of \$2,500 as part of CenterPoint Energy's Community Partnership Grant. Vlasak stated that the grant money will be used to purchase new wildland turnout gear.

- b. Presentation of the Pilot Water Study for Well # 4 – Bill Chang, BDM Engineers

BDM Engineers presented the City Council with a hard copy Pilot Investigation report conducted by Tonka Equipment and BDM Engineers. They also presented a slide show presentation, explaining the results of the pilot study and the water filtration process. BDM concluded that by filtering water through a treatment facility, the City's concerns of iron, manganese and radium will be eliminated and that the water provided to residents from Well # 4 will be substantially below the maximum containment levels allowed by the Minnesota Department of Health. The Council thanked BDM for the presentation and initial work on the proposed water treatment plant project. The Council discussed

the effect that a treatment plant would have on the City's existing infrastructure and the wastewater treatment plant. Erickson and Vlasak stated that they would draft a RFQ/RFP, tour area water treatment plants, and talk with area treatment plant operators to get valuable feedback.

A motion was made by Daleiden and seconded by Pelava to authorize City staff to send a letter requesting to be on the Public Facility Authority's Intended Use Plan. Vote for: Daleiden, Kodada, Rud, Furrer, and Pelava. Against: None. Vote: 5-0. Motion carried.

c. Consider Approval of Resolution 2010-13, a Resolution Accepting a Bid for the Trunk Highway 19 Sidewalk Improvement Project

Kawlewski stated that on May 13th five bids were received for the Hwy 19 Sidewalk Project. He provided the Council with a bid tabulation sheet to review. He mentioned that Mn/DOT did review and approve the bids, and he recommended that the Council consider awarding the contract to the low bidder, Chard Tiling & Excavating.

A motion was made by Kodada and seconded by Furrer to approve Resolution 2010-13, a resolution accepting a bid for the Trunk Highway 19 Sidewalk Improvement Project. Vote for: Daleiden, Kodada, Rud, Furrer, and Pelava. Against: None. Vote: 5-0. Motion carried.

d. Consider Approval to Schedule a Special City Council Meeting to Discuss 2010 Budget Cuts

Erickson provided a brief overview on the recently signed State budget agreement and projected State budget deficit of \$7 billion for 2012-2013. He said that the City will lose \$208,666.00 in unallotted LGA and reduced Market Value Homestead Credit for 2010. He recommended scheduling a special meeting to begin the process of potential budget cuts.

A motion was made by Kodada and seconded by Furrer to schedule a Special City Council Meeting on June 3, 2010 at 6:00pm to discuss potential 2010 budget cuts. Vote for: Daleiden, Kodada, Rud, Furrer, and Pelava. Against: None. Vote: 5-0. Motion carried.

e. Presentation of the Northfield Area Ambulance Association Report – Fritz Duban

Northfield Ambulance Association President Fritz Duban presented a summary of their last ambulance meeting to the Council. He mentioned that a new ambulance should be arriving in August. He also provided service statistics and a brief financial report. The Council thanked Duban for the update.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Department Reports:

Council Member Daleiden

Daleiden reported the customer counts were up by 8–12% compared to last year's Liquor Store numbers.

Council Member Kodada

None

Council Member Furrer

Furrer said that one of the Library employees recently resigned. She also reported that EDA helped plant the downtown flower pots on May 26th.

Council Member Pelava

None

Council Member Rud

In honor of Memorial Day, Rud thanked all the United States servicemen and women for their service to the country. Rud also directed the EDA to look into constructing an incubator building in the City-owned industrial park.

12. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Daleiden and seconded by Kodada to adjourn the meeting. Vote for: Kodada, Rud, Smith, Furrer, and Pelava. Against: None. Vote: 5-0. Motion carried. The meeting closed at 8:01 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Joel A. Erickson, City Administrator