

**MINUTES  
CITY OF LONSDALE  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
AUGUST 14, 2008**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Rud called a meeting of the Lonsdale City Council to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 415 Central St. W.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Everyone stood and recited the pledge of allegiance.

**3. ROLL CALL**

Present: Duban, Kodada, Rud, Smith and Furrer

Absent: None

Staff Present: City Administrator Joel Erickson, Public Works Director Russ Vlasak, Police Chief Jason Schmitz and City Engineer Kevin Kawlewski

**4. AGENDA**

Mayor Rud asked if anyone had any additions or deletions to the agenda. A motion was made by Kodada and seconded by Duban to approve the agenda. Vote for: Duban, Kodada, Rud, Smith and Furrer. Against: None Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

**5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

None

**6. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**7. PRESENTATION OF CITIZEN PETITIONS AND COMMENTS**

None

**8. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA**

- a. Consider Approval to Schedule a Public Hearing for September 11, 2008 at 7:00 pm to Consider a Request for Annexation of the Property Located at 8295 70<sup>th</sup> St. W.

Mayor Rud read the item on the Consent Agenda and asked if anyone wanted the item pulled for discussion. A motion was made by Kodada and seconded by Furrer to approve the Consent Agenda. Vote for: Duban, Kodada, Rud, Smith and Furrer. Against: None Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

**9. OLD BUSINESS**

- a. None

**10. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Consider Approval of Resolution 2008-33, a Resolution Entering Into an Agreement with the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, Office of Traffic Safety for the Project Entitled Safe and Sober During the Period of October 1, 2008 Through September 30, 2010

Police Chief Jason Schmitz stated the resolution should be dated 2009 and not 2010. He said he was not able to obtain a copy of the new contract but the current one is enclosed in the packet. He said it is basically the same as last year. Smith asked if the resolution was a formality. Schmitz replied yes. A motion was made by Smith and seconded by Kodada to approve Resolution 2008-33. Vote for: Duban, Kodada, Rud, Smith and Furrer. Against: None Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

Mayor Rud asked if anything else was going on in the Police Department. Schmitz said no and that National Night Out went well. Rud asked if the department was any closer to finding out who has been vandalizing property in town? Schmitz said he has some leads but nothing solid. Smith asked the status

of the part time officers being backgrounded. Schmitz said there were some issues with each of the applicants, which required both to be reject. He said there is a H.R. Committee meeting next Tuesday to select two new applicants to interview. Rud asked how Officer Franklin was doing. Schmitz said he will be back on the street by himself next week. Duban asked if anything is being with the speed limit on County Road 4 near the school. There was discussion on the City budgeting for a speed trailer. A motion was made by Duban and seconded by Smith to request Rice County to request MnDoT to conduct a speed study on County Road 4 between 10<sup>th</sup> Ave NW and Idaho St. S. Vote for: Duban, Kodada, Rud, Smith and Furrer. Against: None Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

b. Consider Approval of Resolution 2008-34, a Resolution Accepting City Councilmember Fritz Duban's Letter of Resignation Effective October 1, 2008, Declaring a Vacancy and Authorize Staff to Advertise the Vacancy

Mayor Rud asked Duban if he had anything to say. Duban said he would not be changing his mind. He said he told the Mayor that when he was seventy he would resign and that it is time for the young people in town to take over. He reiterated his motto: "Move forward, not backwards." Duban thanked the City and City Council for the ability to serve Lonsdale for forty-six years. On behalf of the City, Mayor Rud thanked Duban for his serve. He said Duban did a good job as City Administrator and City Councilmember. A motion was made by Kodada and seconded by Smith to approve Resolution 2008-34. Erickson reviewed the proposed process to fill the vacancy. Vote for: Kodada, Rud, Smith and Furrer. Against: None Abstain: Duban Vote 4-0-1. Motion carried.

c. Consider Approval of Pay Voucher No. 8 in the Amount of \$111,242.97 to Chard Tiling and Excavating, Inc. for the CSAH 96 (Fig St.) Street and Utility Improvement Project

Kawlewski said the pay voucher is for Change Order # 1, stripping and the wear course. He recommended approval of the pay voucher. He said the contractor still has about six or seven punch list items that need to be taken care of. Duban asked if a lien or assessment would placed against the lots still owned by Lafavre-Miller. Erickson said it would be a lien. Kodada asked if interest could be included. Erickson said he would look into it. There was general discussion pertaining to the matter. A motion was made by Duban and seconded by Furrer to approve pay voucher # 8 in the amount of \$111,242.97. Vote for: Duban, Kodada, Rud, Smith and Furrer. Against: None Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

d. Consider Approval of an Adjustment to the Sewer Portion of the Utility Bill for the Landmark Square Apartments

Erickson reviewed the situation and request. Mayor Rud stated the property manager should attend the next city council meeting. A motion was made by Kodada and seconded by Smith to table the issue. Vote for: Duban, Kodada, Rud, Smith and Furrer. Against: None Vote 5-0. Motion carried.

## 11. OTHER BUSINESS

a. Project Updates

Fig Street – Kawlewski said an update was provided with the pay voucher.

2006 Reconstruction Project – Kawlewski said staff met with the contactor a week ago and the contractor will be completing the punch list items next week.

2007 Reconstruction Project – Kawlewski said all that needs to be done is the installation of two hydrant flags.

Industrial Park Dr. SE – Kawlewski said the punch list is complete and final payment will be present at the next meeting.

Shadow Stone – Kawlewski said the development is complete, with the exception of three rear yard catch basis needing to be raised.

Harmony Meadows – Kawlewski said two manholes covers need to be welded, the sanitary sewer through the wetland needs to be televised and the trail needs to be redone due to vegetation growing through the pavement. Kodada asked if the trail was installed to the southern most property line. Kawlewski replied yes.

Willow Creek Commons – Kawlewski said the developer will be installing a gravel cul-de-sac at the end of Commerce Dr. SE.

b. Department Reports

Human Resources – Duban said SkyWarn is concerned about the water leak in the Police Station basement.

Parks – Kodada said at the last Park Board meeting, the CSAH # 33 trail was discussed and also renaming Trenda Memorial Park to Memorial Park. Kodada said the park name will remain the same.

EDA – Smith said the next meeting is scheduled for next Thursday.

Planning Commission – Furrer said the next meeting is scheduled for next Thursday.

Duban asked if the situation pertaining the American Legion needing an updated survey was on the Planning Commission agenda or not. Erickson said it was and reviewed what the City's ordinance required compared to what the current Legion survey consisted of.

Mayor Rud said the Legion alumni baseball game was scheduled for Friday night. He also said the next Meeting with the Mayor was scheduled for September 13, 2008 at 8:30 am. Rud thanked the Community Days committee and requested they attend an upcoming meeting to be recognized for their efforts.

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Duban and seconded by Kodada to adjourn the meeting. Vote for: Duban, Kodada, Rud, Smith and Furrer. Against: None Vote 5-0. Motion carried. The meeting ended at 7:48 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

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Joel A. Erickson, City Administrator