

**MINUTES
CITY OF LONSDALE
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
AUGUST 19, 2014**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Rud called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, 415 Central St. W., Lonsdale, MN 55046

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone stood and recited the pledge of allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Daleiden, Kodada, Rud, Furrer and Pelava

Absent:

Staff Present: City Administrator Joel Erickson, Public Works Director Russ Vlasak, City Treasurer Tami Brokl and City Engineer Kevin Kawlewski

Others Present: None

4. AGENDA

Mayor Rud said there was one item on the agenda and asked if there were any additions to the agenda. A motion was made by Furrer and seconded by Pelava to approve the agenda as presented. Vote for: Daleiden, Kodada, Rud, Furrer and Pelava. Vote against: None. Abstained: None. Vote: 5-0. Motion carried.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

None

6. PUBLIC HEARINGS

a. None

7. PRESENTATION OF CITIZEN PETITIONS AND COMMENTS

None

8. APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

None

9. OLD BUSINESS

None

10. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Discuss the City's Preliminary 2015 Budget – Area No. 5 Street and Utility Improvement Project Review

Staff reviewed the presentation that will be given at the August 26, 2014 neighborhood/informational meeting, which included: general information, project history, project location, proposed improvements, typical street sections, street/storm sewer/water main and sanitary sewer improvements, project costs, financing and proposed assessments. Erickson said there will be Small Cities

Development Program (SCDP) grant surveys at the meeting for residents that have not completed them. Rud said he was asked by several residents what the surveys were for. Erickson said the EDA is gauging interest in submitting a SCDP grant application for housing/commercial rehabilitation and the water main and services for the Area No. 5 project. Mayor Rud asked what the specification was for the class 5. Kawlewski said the reclaimed bituminous will be used.

There was general discuss on whether or not properties that do not have compliant water services will be able to reconnect to the City's water system. Staff stated they would confirm what the law is and whether they can reconnect as is or not. Pelava asked if the City should revise its ordinance to mirror state law regarding water service pipe material or not. Kawlewski said it will cost between \$5,000 and \$10,000 on top of proposed assessments to make the three known properties compliant. Furrer asked if new separate water services were being provided for the properties that share a single curb stop. Kawlewski said new services to the curb stop will be provided as part of the project but connection will not be required until the properties change ownership.

The City Council discussed what the proposed assessments will be and how they relate to state statute. Staff presented the proposed phasing of construction over a four year period. Kodada asked if inflation was accounted for in the cost estimates. Kawlewski said as of now, no. The City Council discussed the possibility of constructing the phases over a three year period to save money due to increased construction costs.

The City Council asked that staff provide information on special assessment amortization schedules and the cost savings for narrowing the forty-four foot wide streets to thirty-six feet wide.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

- a. None

12. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Daleiden and seconded by Furrer to adjourn the meeting. Vote for: Daleiden, Kodada, Rud, Furrer and Pelava. Vote against: None. Abstained: None. Vote: 5-0. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:29 pm.

Respectfully Submitted:

Joel A. Erickson, City Administrator