

**APPROVED
WORK SESSION MINUTES
OF THE
EAST GRAND FORKS
CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2010 – 5:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

The Work Session of the East Grand Forks City Council for June 8, 2010 was called to order by Council President Dick Grassel at 5:00 P.M.

CALL OF ROLL

On a Call of Roll the following members of the East Grand Forks City Council were present: Mayor Lynn Stauss (5:07), Council President Dick Grassel, Council Vice President Henry Tweten, Council Members Marc DeMers, Craig Buckalew, and Wayne Gregoire.

STAFF PRESENT:

Dave Aker, Parks and Recreation Superintendent; Greg Boppre, City Engineer; Ron Galstad, City Attorney; Mike Hedlund, Police Chief; Charlotte Helgeson, Library Director; Scott Huizenga, City Administrator; Jim Richter, EDHA Director; and John Wachter, Public Works Superintendent..

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

1. Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities – JD Burton

J.D. Burton, attorney with Flaherty and Hood and representing the Coalition of Greater Minnesota Cities presented a summary of the recent legislative session and the Coalition's lobbying efforts.

2. Equipment Budget Line Item 09-PW-002 Replacement – John Wachter

Mr. Wachter presented quotes to purchase snow removal equipment. The funds would come from a budgeted two-ton truck purchase that will be deferred to future capital budgets. Mr. Huizenga added that this cost shift and savings was included in the recent budget discussion for filling the additional \$200,000 LGA cut.

3. 2009 City Project No.1 – 23rd St NW – Greg Boppre

Mr. Boppre presented an option for draining the ditch on 23rd Street NW west of River Road NW. He said that funds were available in the original levee project fund to complete the project. Mr. Huizenga affirmed that there was fund balance and that any remaining funds will go toward "loose ends" on the Corps project that the proposed Water and Light Department sludge lagoon project. Council Member DeMers asked if there was enough there to complete our match requirements. Mr. Huizenga responded

that the funds available should be sufficient to cover the five-percent match on loose ends projects. Council Member Gregoire asked if the dirt currently at the cemetery was for this project. Mr. Boppre responded that the dirt could be used either for this project or for fill at the cemetery. Council Member DeMers also asked if Valley Golf Course should pay for a portion of the project because it provides drainage for the golf course.

4. 2010 City Project No.1 – Curb, Gutter, and Paving – Greg Boppre

Mr. Boppre announced that Strata Corporation was the low bidder at \$1,597,386.09. The engineer's estimate was \$1,800,000.

ADJOURN

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER DEMERS, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER BUCKALEW, TO ADJOURN THE MAY 25, 2010 WORK SESSION OF THE EAST GRAND FORKS, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL AT 6:00 P.M.

Voting Aye: Buckalew, Tweten, Gregoire, DeMers and Grassel.

Voting Nay: None.

Scott Huizenga, City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer