

**APPROVED
WORK SESSION MINUTES
OF THE
EAST GRAND FORKS
CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 2010 – 5:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

The Work Session of the East Grand Forks City Council for June 22, 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, Council President Dick Grassel, Council Vice President Henry Tweten, Council Members Marc DeMers, Craig Buckalew (5:01), Wayne Gregoire, and Mike Pokrzywinski.

STAFF PRESENT:

Dave Aker, Parks and Recreation Superintendent; Greg Boppre, City Engineer; Ron Galstad, City Attorney; Randy Gust, Fire Chief; 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. 2010 City Project No.11 “Civic Center Improvements” – Greg Boppre

Mr. Boppre introduced the proposed Civic Center addition as a project to expand locker facilities for girl’s hockey to meet federal Title IX requirements. The project would be a two story addition to the northeast side of the Civic Center. The preliminary estimate would be \$400,000. The current request is seeking authorization to design the project. Mr. Huizenga explained that the City would finance the project; and the school district would contribute 50 percent of the funding over 10 years. The school funding would be incorporated into the annual lease agreement.

Council Member Leigh expressed support for the project. Mayor Stauss preferred that the school pay/ contribute 50 percent of the project costs up front rather than as part of the lease agreement. Council Member Gregoire asked for more detail regarding how the rent and/or repayment would be structured with the school district. Council Member DeMers asked about ADA access. He also questioned whether or not the project was a “want” versus a “need.” Council Member Pokrzywinski supported the project despite reservations about cost.

2. Control Room Building Addition – John Wachter

Mr. Wachter presented a plan for the proposed storm water and waste water control room addition. He explained that the project is currently budgeted in the waste water, storm water, and building maintenance funds. He would ask the Council to seek bids on the project. Total cost is estimated at \$100,000. Council Member Gregoire asked how the operations exist now. Mr. Wachter explained that the facilities are currently scattered in different locations throughout the main Public Works building. This makes monitoring difficult.

ADJOURN

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEIGH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER GREGOIRE, TO ADJOURN THE JUNE 22, 2010 WORK SESSION OF THE EAST GRAND FORKS, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL AT 5:37 P.M.

Voting Aye: Gregoire, Leigh, Pokrzywinski, DeMers, Grasse, Buckalew, and Tweten.

Voting Nay: None.

Scott Huizenga, City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer