

**APPROVED MINUTES
OF THE
EAST GRAND FORKS
CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, September 14, 2010 – 5:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

The Work Session of the East Grand Forks City Council for September 14, 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, Wayne Gregoire, Mike Pokrzywinski, and Greg Leigh.

STAFF PRESENT:

Dave Aker, Parks & Recreation Superintendent; Brad Bail, City Engineer; Dan Boyce, Water & Light Manager; Michelle French, Executive Assistant; Ron Galstad, City Attorney; Randy Gust, Fire Chief; Mike Hedlund, Police Chief; Scott Huizenga, City Administrator; Jim Richter, EDHA Director; Aeiiso Schrage, Police Officer; and John Wachter, Public Works Superintendent.

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

1. Report of Feasibility – “2011 Assessment Job No. 1 – Paving – 14th Ave. SE – Greg Boppre

Mr. Bail announced that the City limit line runs down the middle of the street and Huntsville Township has the rest of the right-of-way and they are not interested in paving. There are many different options. 1. Pave half of the street 2. Pave the entire road and have the City pick up the township costs 3. Leave the road as it is.

City Council stated that they are not in favor of the City paying for the other half. Council President Grassel suggested meeting with the township. Mr. Galstad suggested that the City Council talk to the homeowners to see if they would absorb all costs. Mr. Huizenga and Council Member DeMers will meet with the township.

2. American Crystal Sugar Update – Lloyd Kennedy

Mr. Kennedy and Ms Hanson from American Crystal Sugar gave an update on the progress on the odor reduction. Mr. Kennedy announced that this is projected to be the largest crop. Council President Grassel announced that he is working with Congressman Peterson’s office on getting 10th Avenue open to help reduce traffic in the residential areas.

3. Presentation of “Spice” – Officer Aeiiso Schrage

Officer Schrage gave a presentation on a product called “SPICE” which is being sold in two tobacco shops in East Grand Forks. He announced that “Spice” is a synthetic version of THC used to get high. He recommended the City to amend the current ordinance or adopt a new ordinance in order to prohibit the sale, use, or possession of “Spice” within the City of East Grand Forks. City Council suggested adopting a resolution of support to send to the Governor, Senators, and Legislatures.

4. Surplus Property – John Wachter

Mr. Wachter announced that he is looking at putting machinery and miscellaneous items on an auction and would like to declare items surplus. This item will be referred to City Council for action.

ADJOURN

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEIGH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DEMERS, TO ADJOURN THE SEPTEMBER 14, 2010 WORK SESSION OF THE EAST GRAND FORKS, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL AT 6:03 P.M.

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

Voting Nay: None.

Scott Huizenga, City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer