

**APPROVED
MINUTES OF THE
OF THE
EAST GRAND FORKS
CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 22, 2011 – 5:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER

The Work Session of the East Grand Forks City Council for February 22, 2011 was called to order by Council Vice-President Craig Buckalew 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 (5:04 p.m.), Council Vice President Craig Buckalew, Council Members Marc DeMers, Henry Tweten, Mike Pokrzywinski, and Greg Leigh.

STAFF PRESENT:

Dave Aker, Parks & Recreation Superintendent; Brad Bail, City Engineer; Greg Boppre, City Engineer; Michelle French, Executive Assistant; Ron Galstad, City Attorney; Randy Gust, Fire Chief; Mike Hedlund, Police Chief; Charlotte Helgeson, Library Director; Scott Huizenga, City Administrator; Jerry Lucke, Finance Director; Tom Spoor, Building Official; and John Wachter, Public Works Superintendent.

DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

1. Wastewater Interconnect Study – Greg Boppre

Mr. Boppre announced that some Council Members were able to tour the Grand Forks Wastewater Treatment Plant. He stated that if the City Council decides to upgrade the ponds, it would cost East Grand Forks residents \$13.00 additional per month and to send waterwater to Grand Forks the cost would be \$11.00 additional per month. Mr. Boppre briefly discussed the Facility Plan for Sanitary Sewer System Interconnect. Council Member Tweten stated that we need to look at all aspects instead of rushing into a decision. Council Member Leigh expressed his concern on future rates. City Council agreed to have core testing for approximately \$8500. Mr. Boppre announced that the public hearing is postponed until May.

2. Additional Parking Downtown – Jim Richter

This item was tabled.

3. 2010 Building Inspections Report – Tom Spoor

Mr. Spoor gave a brief summary of permits in 2010. He announced that 2010 total revenue was decreased by \$1,446 from 2009. Council Member Tweten stated that Building Inspections is working with Ms Abel on energy savings.

4. Airborne Custom Spraying – John Wachter

Mr. Wachter suggested approving the agreement for Airborne custom Spraying to provide aerial spraying for \$2.80 per acre. This is a budgeted item.

5. Zamboni for Civic Center – Dave Aker

Mr. Aker stated that he received bids from Zamboni and Olympia for a new resurfacers. Zamboni has a bid price of \$89,000 and Olympia for \$104,000. Mr. Aker suggested awarding the bid to Frank J. Zamboni & Co., Inc. This Zamboni will be placed at the Civic Center.

6. HVAC System for Police Department – Chief Hedlund

Mr. Hedlund announced that he suggests awarding the bid to McFarland for a bid price of \$77,900.00. This HVAC system matches the EAPC recommendation.

ADJOURN

A MOTION WAS MADE BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEIGH, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER TWETEN, TO ADJOURN THE FEBRUARY 22, 2011 WORK SESSION OF THE EAST GRAND FORKS, MINNESOTA CITY COUNCIL AT 6:23 P.M.

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

Voting Nay: None.

Scott Huizenga, City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer