

MINUTES OF THE MINNEOTA CITY COUNCIL MEETING

PURSUANT TO CALL AND DUE NOTICE THEREOF, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MINNEOTA, COUNTY OF LYON, STATE OF MINNESOTA, MET IN SPECIAL SESSION IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2022 AT 6:30 P.M.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Council Member Tim Koppien
Council Member Nancy Reisdorfer
Council Member Amber Rodas

COUNCIL ABSENT: Council Member Travis Gillund
Mayor John Rolbiecki

STAFF PRESENT: Shirley Teigland

OTHERS PRESENT: Trent Bruce, Dale Buysse, Rebecca Day, Stewart Day, James Hamerlinck, Kevin Hoffmann, Riley Rinehart

ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER

Acting Mayor Tim Koppien called the special council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ITEM 2: ADOPT AGENDA

Reisdorfer motioned, seconded by Rodas to adopt the agenda as presented. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ITEM 3: PUBLIC HEARING

Reisdorfer motioned, seconded by Rodas to open the Public Hearing at 6:32 p.m. to seek public comment on the proposed Sanitary Sewer Collection and Storm Sewer System Improvements. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

ITEM 4: SANITARY SEWER, STORM SEWER AND DRINKING WATER SYSTEM

Trent Bruce and Riley Rinehart, representatives from DGR Engineering were present at the meeting to inform the public about the proposed project and potential project funding which is currently still in preliminary stages of design. Copies of the Facilities Plan for the proposed project are available for review. Portions of the proposed project have been considered and discussed for over 10 years. Systems are old with failing/poor condition pipes and structures. Poor hydraulics and other issues with sanitary sewer and storm sewer pipes have been identified. Lift stations need to be rehabilitated and improved to extend life and improve reliability. The north expansion of the industrial park is currently unsewered and looping of the watermain along Golf Course Road and E Lyon Street would improve water quality and flows. The following alternatives have been discussed with the City Council and City Staff:

- Sanitary Sewer Collection System, Storm Sewer System and Drinking Water Distribution System:
 - Doing nothing would not solve any of the identified issues
 - Spot replacement of all failing pipes and structures would be difficult to identify and the City would still have old infrastructure below the streets
 - Rehabilitation of existing pipes and structures would not fix pipes that are flat or undersized and much of the infrastructure is not in adequate condition for rehabilitation
 - Complete removal and replacement addresses all the issues
- Lift Stations (Main, Grant Street & Lyon Street):
 - Doing nothing would not solve any of the identified issues
 - Rehabilitation and upgrades would extend life of the current lift stations and improve reliability
 - Replacement with new lift stations would be costly and would not get full value out of the current lift stations

- Wastewater Treatment facility:
 - Doing nothing would not solve any of the identified issues
 - Replacing the splitter structure & control valves and connecting the drain tile system will correct the issues that have been identified
- Sanitary Sewer Extension:
 - Doing nothing and city sewer service would not be available for future development in the north industrial park expansion
 - Extend the sanitary sewer service would allow for gravity sewer service for future development
- Watermain Looping on Golf Course Road and E Lyon Street:
 - Doing nothing would not improve water quality and stagnant water issues would persist
 - Looping Watermain would improve quality and flows and eliminate stagnant water

After several meetings and discussions with the City Council and City Staff, it was determined that the following alternatives if completed, would ensure the best long-term results for the City:

- Complete removal and replacement of sanitary sewer and drinking water mains and services (to the ROW line), storm sewer structures and pipes and streets
- Rehabilitation and upgrades to the City's three lift stations. Pump and pipe replacement, force main, flow meter, coating, SCADA, electrical and controls updates
- Replacement of the splitter structure and control valves and connection of the drain tile system at the City's wastewater treatment facility. Connect perimeter drain tile to nearby County tile system
- Extend gravity sanitary sewer into the City's north industrial park area
- Loop the watermain along Golf Course Road and E. Lyon Street
- Construction of the proposed improvements is anticipated to take place during the 2023 and 2024 construction seasons
- This schedule is subject to change as funding is secured.

Estimated total project is \$9.2 million dollars. This includes all work on E. Lyon Street, Mikkelson Addition, portions of 2nd Street, 3rd Street, Jackson Street, Federal Street, Grant Street and Wilson Street; Lift Station improvements; Sanitary Sewer extension into Industrial Park 2nd Addition, Water looping on Golf Course Road & E. Lyon Street; and Waste Water Treatment Facility upgrades. Potential sources of funding for the proposed project include State Revolving Fund loans, USDA Rural Development loans, grants & bonds, City reserves, special assessments and increased user fees.

Trent Bruce and Riley Rinehart were available to answer questions from those in attendance.

ITEM 5: PUBLIC HEARING

Rodas motioned, seconded by Reisdorfer to close the public hearing at 7:25 p.m. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

ADJOURNMENT

Koppien motioned, seconded by Reisdorfer, to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The next scheduled Regular Council Meeting is scheduled for May 9, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

ATTEST:

Shirley Teigland, City Administrator

John Rolbiecki, Mayor

Council Approved May 9, 2022