

SPECIAL MEDINA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 15, 2013

The City Council of Medina, Minnesota met in special session on January 15, 2013 at 6:02 p.m. in the City Hall Chambers. Mayor Crosby presided.

I. ROLL CALL

Members present: Crosby, Martinson, Anderson, Pederson and Weir.

Members absent:

Also present: City Planner Dusty Finke, Police Chief Ed Belland, Sergeant Jason Nelson, Craig Jochum Hakanson Anderson, Becky Wozney Hakanson Anderson, and City Administrator Scott Johnson.

II. Minnehaha Creek Watershed District TMDLs

Craig Jochum provided an update on the Minnehaha Creek Watershed District (MCWD) Total Maximum Daily Load (TMDLs) allocations. The latest TMDLs for phosphorus covered Jennings Bay and Long Lake. The proposed reduction for the City of Medina is 389 pounds of phosphorous per year for Jennings Bay and 105 pounds of phosphorous per year for Long Lake.

Mr. Jochum provided further information on the methodology for the proposed TMDLs and asked for Council feedback on the proposed TMDLs. Council Members and staff provided the following comments:

- The City should not be held responsible for Baker Park/Three Rivers Park allocation under the TMDL for Jennings Bay
- Areas along County Road 24 in Medina already provide a number of wetlands to help with phosphorus reduction. Has this been taken into account adequately in the assessment of the city's load allocation?
- The bi-annual migration and gathering of geese on lakes adds to nutrient loading in Medina and is difficult for the city to address
- Significant easements are required for proposed projects on private property, which landowners are reluctant to grant. Can this requirement be lessened to make BMPs on private property less invasive?
- Being a small population city, Medina cannot underwrite major load-reducing projects without applying for and receiving grant funding
- Medina needs help from MCWD in order to identify projects for the city to pursue for potential grant funding

Staff was directed by the City Council to incorporate these comments into a letter and to send the comments to MCWD.

III. LMCC/Mediacom Update

Tom Crosby provided the City Council with an update on the LMCC meeting that was held on January 10, 2013. The City Council directed staff to move forward with setting up a meeting with Victoria and Orono to discuss the needs of the underserved residents and negotiations.

IV. 600 Clydesdale Trail Project Update

Scott Johnson informed the City Council that staff continues to work with RJM Construction and the 292 Design Group on the project budget. The current proposed project is \$110,000 over the set budget. Staff will continue to work with the consultants to bring the cost of the project within budget.

V. ADJOURN

Mayor Crosby adjourned the Work Session at 6:57 p.m.

T.M. Crosby, Jr., Mayor

Attest:

Scott Johnson, City Administrator-Clerk