

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF
MARCH 21, 2017

The City Council of Medina, Minnesota met in special session on March 21, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the Medina City Hall, 2052 County Road 24, Medina, MN.

I. Call to Order

Members present: Anderson, Cousineau, and Mitchell

Members absent: Martin and Pederson

Also present: City Administrator Scott Johnson, Public Safety Director Ed Belland, Public Works Director Steve Scherer, and City Planner Dusty Finke

II. 2017 Mediacom Buildout

City Planner Dusty Finke provided background information on the current buildout and proposed buildout in Medina.

Council discussed and directed staff to utilize the DEED Broadband Grant for additional buildout in Medina with a goal of 100% access for residents.

Kevin O'Connor, 3712 Hamel Road, informed Council Members about the need for service to work from home or for his children to complete homework assignments. He highly encouraged providing 100% access to all Medina Residents.

Kris Renier, 3392 Hamel Road, discussed the loss of real estate value due to the lack of broadband in the area. She also highly encouraged the City to work with a provider to bring 100% access to all Medina Residents.

III. BNSF Railway Bridge at Highway 12 and Baker Park

Public Safety Director Ed Belland provided background information on the proposed project and the need for access by public safety personnel.

Council directed staff to provide funds for the preliminary engineering work to determine the cost of installing a culvert in place of the railway bridge that will be removed. Council was also supportive of working with other jurisdictions to find grant funding for the project.

Adjournment

Mitchell closed the meeting at 6:46 p.m.

Bob Mitchell, Mayor

Attest:

Jodi M. Gallup, City Clerk