

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF
APRIL 21, 2015

The City Council of Medina, Minnesota met in special session on April 21, 2015 at 6:00 p.m. at the Medina City Hall, 2052 County Road 24, Medina, MN.

I. Call to Order

Members present: Mitchell, Anderson, Cousineau, Martin, Pederson

Members absent:

Also present: City Administrator Scott Johnson and City Planner Dusty Finke

II. Pioneer Sarah Watershed Discussion

Staff provided background information on the most recent Pioneer Sarah Watershed meeting. The City Council discussed the watershed governing options, tax base differences that exist with the three watersheds in Medina and the funding of watershed projects. The watershed requested the City Council respond to the following questions: 1) Is the City Council supportive of the watershed implementing yearly incremental increases to double the budget and use the funds for projects? 2) Is the City Council supportive of using Ad Valorem tax in conjunction with yearly incremental increases for the watershed budget? The consensus of the City Council was to answer no to both questions because of a lack of commitment and leadership in the watershed to accomplish projects. Council also requested Staff research taxing districts for the watersheds within the City and bring the options forward for discussion at a future Work Session.

III. Draft Met Council Local Forecasts

Staff recently received updated forecasts from the Met Council and shared the information with the City Council. City Planner Dusty Finke recently completed the Comprehensive Plan Amendment for residential property in Medina. Mr. Finke asked if the amendment should incorporate the new forecasts that would reduce the projected population figures. The City Council directed staff to use the new forecasts.

Adjournment

Mitchell closed the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Bob Mitchell, Mayor

Attest:

Scott Johnson, City Administrator-Clerk