

MEDINA CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 6, 2011

The City Council of Medina, Minnesota met in special session on September 6, 2011 at 6:04 p.m. at the Medina City Hall, 2052 County Road 24, Medina, MN.

I. Call to Order

Members present: Crosby, Martinson, Siitari, Pederson, Weir

Members absent:

Also present: City Administrator Scott Johnson, Public Works Superintendent Steve Scherer, Police Chief Ed Belland, and Finance Director Jeanne Day.

II. 2012 Budget Open House

Johnson provided a presentation on the City's proposed 2012 budget and tax levy. The presentation included: detail on how taxes are determined; Medina market value history; tax levy and tax rate history; tax impact on Medina households; comparison of area city tax rates and per capita tax spending; proposed 2012 budget and tax levy figures; summary of revenue trends; key expenditure line items and categories.

Carolyn Smith, 545 Medina Road, inquired about employee compensation. Finance Director Jeanne Day explained that employee compensation is budgeted to increase 1.5% with a 4% cap with pay steps. Changes were also made to employee benefits to reduce future costs. The changes will need to be negotiated in the Police Contract.

Bob Franklin, 2819 Lakeshore Avenue, stated he appreciated the City Council keeping the levy stable and the longevity of staff members.

Franklin stated that he supports providing quality benefits and compensation to employees in lieu of hiring more staff.

III. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:53 p.m.

T.M. Crosby, Jr., Mayor

Attest:

Scott T. Johnson, City Administrator-Clerk

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