



**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF STACY IN THE COUNTY OF CHISAGO
AND THE STATE OF MINNESOTA PURSUANT TO DUE
CALL AND NOTICE THEREOF**

**SPECIAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 23, 2016, 7:00p.m.
STACY CITY HALL**

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Utecht at 7:00pm.

Roll Call

Present: Jim Ness, Mark Utecht, Samantha Denney, Chuck Lucia, and Tony Olivolo

Absent: None

Others Present: Mark Statz, Bruce Paulson, Anne Thom, Lynda Schmidt, Shane Carroll, Brad Schroeder, and several residents from 311th Street.

Purpose of the Special Meeting

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss:

1. 311th Street Project
2. 2016 Proposed Street Projects
3. City Hall Project
4. Advertising in the City Newsletter and Utility Bill Inserts
5. Ordinance Snow on Sidewalks
6. Board of Review Date

311th Street Project

The property owners on 311th Street West of Forest Boulevard were invited to this meeting to discuss a possible road project on their street; the project is in the exploration phase at this point.

Mr. Statz presented information to the public regarding 311th Street West of Forest Boulevard. The information contained a possible street project and right of way information.

The current road is 16 to 20 feet wide, an average of 18 feet. This is a bit narrow for a standard city road; at least 24 feet is desirable.

The Fire Chief, Brad Schroeder, was asked if he has any safety concerns regarding the road; he said that it is the main detour for Stacy Trail. To have a passable road in both directions would be beneficial if Stacy Trail needed to be shut down. He then was asked without considering the street being the main detour were there any safety issues – he said there are none.

Deputy Shane Carroll was also asked to give his input on any safety concerns with the road, he had none and said that in his research he found that the narrower road keeps speeding down.

Several residents then spoke, and it was determined the only issue



they have with the road is the storm water. It was then summarized by one resident that they are concerned with a road project in regard to level of loss and level of cost.

The concern expressed by the Mayor is the condition of the road, roads don't last forever and something will need to be done eventually.

The residents were very clear that they would like the storm water addressed without impact on any of their properties or as minimal as possible.

Mayor Utecht summarized what he thought the council's consensus was that to repave the road without addressing the storm water would not be supported. They agreed, they would rather wait and have both addressed.

It needs to be determined if a road can be rebuilt without bringing it up to current standards. Also, how can the storm water be addressed?

The residents were thanked for their attendance and informed how they can track any progress, if any, on a proposed project.

2016 Proposed Street Projects

Each council member toured Gable and Genesis to determine if, in their opinion, road work needs to be done. What was observed was alligatoring of the roads as well as cracks extending the entire width of the road.

Mr. Statz said that to just repair the intersections would add about 25% to the overall project costs in the long-term.

Mr. Statz addressed the question: can these roads "limp" along until the water treatment plant is done; he said yes. The council decided based upon observations to put off the road work until after the water plant construction is done.

City Hall Project

Mr. Bruce Paulson informed the council that the city received five bids for the city hall reconstruction; with two being deemed non-responsive. The remaining three bids are:

Ebert Inc.	\$212,600
Mark Haug Construction Inc.	\$219,300
Construction Results Corporation	\$221,740

He recommends the city award the bid to Ebert Inc.

The council hesitates to move forward with the project until the water treatment plant bids are solicited; and asked what the status is of the water treatment plant bidding process. He said he believes we are close, still working with the state on a few items.

The bid for city hall is considerably higher than in the proposal of

\$150,000. The grant committed to \$85,000 for the ADA compliance of city hall. The cost of the ADA renovation can be used as a portion of the city's \$250,000 contribution towards the project.

The council would like feedback from Brett Repulske based upon the bids received and find out if the money we spend on this is only the \$150,000 less the \$85,000 or based on the bids can that amount go up and also include the asbestos abatement.

Council consensus on awarding the bid:

- Utecht – award the bid as it is included in the \$250,000 committed for the project.
- Ness – wait until bids are received for the water treatment plant, concern they will also be way over estimate.
- Lucia – wait until bids received for the water treatment plant.
- Olivolo – wait until end April meeting, we have 60 days to accept the bid.
- Denney – concurs with awarding at the April meeting.

Mr. Paulson will communicate to Ebert Inc., the city's intentions.

Portable Office: a bid for the portable office from Hilltop Trailer Sales was received; no action tonight. Thank you Member Lucia for getting this quote.

Advertising in City Publications

The council discussed the pros and cons of allowing liquor operations to advertise in the city's newsletter and utility bill inserts.

Motions made:

Motion by Ness to no longer have the inserts in the utility bills. Second by Lucia. Members Ness, Lucia, and Olivolo voted yes. Members Denney, and Utecht voted no. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried 3-2.

Motion by Olivolo that we continue to advertise in the city newsletter as it has been done in the past. Second by Utecht. Members Olivolo, Utecht, Denney, and Ness voted yes. Member Lucia abstained. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried 4-1.

Motion by Lucia to allow business to advertise in the city newsletter for a fee. Second by Denney. Member Lucia voted yes. Members Denney, Olivolo, Ness, and Utecht voted no. Mayor Utecht declared the motion fails 4-1.

The city' attorney's memo was referenced as the reasoning behind not allowing others to advertise in the city's newsletter.

Ordinance Snow on Sidewalks

Motion by Ness to approve Ordinance Number 2016-2-4, "An Ordinance Amending the Stacy City Code, Chapter 93 Streets and Sidewalks, Section 93.02 Snow, Ice, Dirt and Rubbish." Second by

Olivolo. Members Ness, Olivolo, Denney, Lucia, and Utecht voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

Board of Review Date

The Board of Review date is set for April 13, 2016, at 6:00p.m.

Adjourn at 9:40pm

Motion by Ness to adjourn. Second by Denney. Ness, Denney, Lucia, Utecht, and Olivolo voted yes. Mayor Utecht declared the motion carried.

Sharon MT Payne