

BAXTER CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**Work Session
February 10, 2014**

The City Council Work Session for the purposes of discussing the Whiskey Creek Storm Water Report, Update on Woida Project, Brainerd Fire Services, and Resolution of Support for Cuyuna Lakes Trail Project was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Darrel Olson.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Council Members Jim Klein, Mark Cross, Todd Holman, Rob Moser, and Mayor Darrel Olson.

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: City Administrator Gordon Heitke, Public Works Director/City Engineer Trevor Walter, Assistant City Administrator/City Clerk Kelly Steele, Consulting City Engineer Aric Welch, and Community Development Director Josh Doty.

Whiskey Creek Storm Water Report

Shawn Tracy, HDR Engineering, Inc. was contracted by Crow Wing Soil and Water Conservation District to complete a study on Whiskey Creek. Mr. Tracy explained the methods undertaken to complete the report and the findings for potential locations for effective stormwater water quality management practices. The conclusion of the study indicated there are two sites that stood out to offer the greatest return for stormwater treatment. The sites were the former golf course property and the Westgate Mall parking lot. Mr. Tracy reviewed different methods to collect and treat stormwater. Mr. Tracy explained public and private partnerships are the way of the future. This study is the beginning of a long term stormwater management plan, not the end point.

Update on Woida Project

Mr. Welch explained the water tower property on Woida Road is not feasible for a stormwater pond due to the parcel having a higher elevation and not having a north outlet. The next option is constructing a stormwater pond on the property to the south. The City will have to purchase property from the private landowner. The Council discussed how far south with City will have to connect stormwater drainage. Staff has not completed a cost analysis of this portion of the project. Mr. Welch explained he needs Council direction so that plans can be submitted. Council is okay with moving forward with the proposal, but would like staff to review funding. Due to snow cover WSN is unable to complete the wetland mitigation until spring.

Brainerd Fire Services

Mr. Heitke explained he will provide an update to the Council during the regular meeting concerning this agenda item.

Resolution of Support for Cuyuna Lakes Trail Project

Mr. Heitke stated the Council can review this item during a future meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Council Member Cross, seconded by Council Member Holman to close the work session at 6:52 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Approved by:

Respectfully submitted,

Darrel L. Olson
Mayor

Kelly Steele
Assistant City Administrator/Clerk