

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, the Special Meeting of the Brainerd City Council was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Council President Dale Parks.

Upon roll call, the following members were noted present: Members Pritschet, Bevans, Scheeler, Borkenhagen, Parks, and Koep. Mayor Wallin, City Administrator Wussow and City Finance Director Hillman were also present.

Resolution 19:14 Adopted – A Resolution requesting the Minnesota Legislature Authorize the City of Brainerd to Collect a One-Half Percent (1/2 %) Local Option Sales Tax

The Chair recognized City Administrator Wussow who reviewed the memo included in the Council packet. He identified that the request is a short notice based upon conversations with our Legislative representatives and the League of Minnesota Cities staff recommending that the request be in place prior to the Legislative session starting. The memo highlighted that as proposed this request is an extension of the current Local Option Sales Tax, which will expire in 2019. As proposed the renewed 1/2 % percent Local Option Sales Tax will run from 2019 through 2031, or an additional twelve (12) years.

Todd Wicklund, Brainerd Public Utilities Secretary/Finance Director, updated the City Council on the status of the Wastewater and Water projects in place and in the planning process.

Additional discussion followed.

MOVED AND SECONDED BY ALDERMEN BEVANS AND PRICHET TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 19:14 – REQUESTING THE MINNESOTA LEGISLATURE TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF BRAINERD TO COLLECT A ONE-HALF PERCENT (1/2%) LOCAL OPTION SALES TAX.

RESOLUTION NO. 19:14

Upon roll call, members Pritschet, Bevans, Scheeler, Borkenhagen, Koep, and Parks, voted “aye”. No Member voted “nay”. The Chair declared the motion carried and the resolution adopted.

Adjourned – To a Tour of the Whittier School for the Members of the Safety and Public Works Committee

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:22 P.M.

Patrick Wussow
City Administrator