

**Brainerd, MN
March 23, 2015**

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 Gary Scheeler.

Upon roll call, the following members were noted present: Mayor Wallin, Bevans, Borkenhagen, Hilgart, Koep, Pritschet and Scheeler. Council Member Johnson arrived at 6:01 P.M. The following staff members were also noted as present: City Administrator Wussow, City Engineer Hulsether, Assistant City Engineer Freihammer, City Planner Ostgarden and City Attorney Quiring.

The Chair stated that the purpose of tonight's meeting was to hear public comment and Council discussion on the Business 371 Corridor Reconstruction and the Mississippi River Partnership Plan. He stated that a license application had also been submitted which needed to be approved.

Temporary Liquor License Application – Submitted by the Brainerd Jaycees for an Event to be held on April 27, 2015 at The Center, 803 Kingwood Street, Brainerd – Approved

MOVED AND SECONDED BY ALDERMEN BEVANS AND PRITSCHET, DULY CARRIED, TO APPROVE THE TEMPORARY LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION AS SUBMITTED BY THE BRAINERD JAYCEES FOR AN EVENT TO BE HELD ON APRIL 27, 2015 AT THE CENTER, 803 KINGWOOD STREET, BRAINERD.

Citizen Attendance/Input:

The following citizens attended signed in or spoke at the meeting with concerns about the South 6th Street reconstruction project and/or the Mississippi Riverfront Partnership Program:

Ed Shaw, 517 N 9th Street, Brainerd
Daryl Bahma, 1215 SE 11th, Brainerd
Charles Johnson, 1104 S 8th Street, Brainerd
Sarah Hayden Shaw, 517 N 9th Street, Brainerd
Joe Vreeland, 1507 S 6th Street, Brainerd
Eleanor Burkett, 757 Holton Avenue, Brainerd
Mary Aegerter, 615 N 5th Street, Brainerd
Valerie Wallin, Brainerd
John Stubbs, 823 S 6th Street, Brainerd
David Runberg, Brainerd
Steve Elg, 521 N 9th Street, Brainerd
John Forrest 159 Pineview Drive, Brainerd
Rick Fargo, 1511 Northern Pacific, Brainerd
Todd Thompson, 702 Industrial Park Road, Brainerd
Ed Menk, Brainerd
Pat O'Brien, 1748 SE 13th Street, Brainerd
Tim Ramerth, 7804 Industrial Park Road, Brainerd
Andrea Holmes, 8451 Greenwood Road, Brainerd

Lynda Boyd, Brainerd
Amanda Monnier, Brainerd
Laura Rathe, 15847 Old Stone Bridge Trail, Brainerd
Lois Jubie, 1635 S 6th Street, Brainerd
Carol Olson, 2776 State HWY 25, Brainerd
Mike Knakmuhs, 1741 S 6th Street, Brainerd
Steve Shepherd, 315 S 6th Street, Brainerd
Marc Halverson, 156 Pineview, Brainerd
Mike Angland, 1848 Graydon Avenue, Brainerd
Audrey Feierabend, 1433 S 6th Street, Brainerd
Nancy Williams, St. Mathias
Nathan Hill, Baxter
Jennifer Bergman, Brainerd HRA
Howard Brewer, Brainerd
Dan Hegstad, Brainerd
Carl Samp, Brainerd
Tim Ternell, Brainerd
Phil Brecken, Brainerd

Business 371 Presentation – Informational

Per information included the packet, the Minnesota Department of Transportation (MnDot) is seeking input in determining the footprint of the proposed “Hwy 371B Reconstruction” project planned for 2017. The project will address the deteriorated pavement condition on Highway 371B/South Sixth Street from Joseph Street to Highway 210 in Brainerd. Proposals for 3-Lane or 5-Lane options with estimated costs were included.

Further information was presented at the meeting from the following representatives;

- City Engineer Jeff Hulsether
- MnDot Project Engineer/Manager Jim Hallgren
- Brainerd Lakes Chamber President Matt Kilian.

The Chair opened the floor for public input on the HWY 371B Reconstruction at 6:25 P.M.

Following the appearance of 21 citizens, it seemed that 9 were in favor of the 5 lane proposal and 13 were in favor of 3 lanes.

The Chair closed the floor at 7:04 P.M.

Council discussion was held with no action taken. Further discussion and final action will be taken during upcoming meetings.

Mississippi River Partnership Plan Presentation – Express Gratitude for the Individuals Involved in Bringing the Issue to this Point and Support and Continue the Plan – Approved

City Planner Ostgarden introduced the following topics:

- Bridge to Bridge Design
- Streetscape Branding

- Review of Previous Donations

Riverfront Steering Committee Co-Chair Don Gorman presented the Center for Rural Design's *Mississippi River Partnership Plan for the City of Brainerd* as attached to the packet.

Riverfront Steering Committee Co-Chair Howard Brewer addressed the Council with Committee recommendations.

The Chair opened the floor for public input on the Mississippi River Partnership Plan at 8:05 P.M.

Seven citizens addressed the Council with ideas and/or support for the future of the proposed Riverfront project.

The Chair closed the floor at 8:20 P.M.

Following Council discussion, the following motions were made:

MOVED AND SECONDED BY ALDERMEN BORKENHAGEN AND PRITSCHET TO EXPRESS GRATITUDE FOR THE INDIVIDUALS INVOLVED TO BRING THIS ISSUE TO THIS POINT.

Members Bevans, Johnson, Borkenhagen, Hilgart, Pritschet and Scheeler voted "aye." Member Koep voted "nay." The Chair declared the motion carried.

MOVED AND SECONDED BY ALDERMEN BORKENHAGEN AND BEVANS TO SUPPORT AND CONTINUE THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM IN PROGRESS.

Members Bevans, Johnson, Borkenhagen, Pritschet and Scheeler voted "aye." Members Hilgart and Koep voted "nay." The Chair declared the motion carried.

The Chair thanked all of the individuals that appeared before the Council with input this evening.

Adjourn

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:55 P.M.

Patrick Wussow
City Administrator