

JAMESTOWN CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING, MARCH 15, 2010
OFFICIAL MINUTES

The special meeting of the City Council was called to order by Vice-President of the Council Parisien at 9:00 AM.

Roll Call showed the following members present: Council Members Parisien, Kourajian, and Schulz, City Engineer Schwartzkopf and City Administrator Fuchs. Absent: Mayor Liechty, Council Member Nygaard and City Attorney Dalsted.

City Engineer Schwartzkopf provided an update to the City Council on information from the Corps of Engineers who have indicated that the City should begin preparations for a possible discharge from the Jamestown Reservoir and Pipestem Dam projects of up to a combined 3200 CFS later this spring. With this preliminary information he felt that the City Council should approve a Resolution to amend the Emergency Declaration of February 16, 2010, in order to request the necessary assistance from Stutsman County, the State of North Dakota and the Corps of Engineers.

Council Member Kourajian moved a Resolution to amend the Resolution Declaring an Emergency of February 16, 2010, and prepare for higher than normal water releases from both the Jamestown Reservoir and the Pipestem Dams of up to 3200 CFS due to the anticipated higher amounts of run-off expected from this season's heavy snow and probable spring run-off. Seconded by Council Member Schulz. Roll Call No. 1 showed: 3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

Council Member Parisien moved a Resolution to allow proceeding with Advanced Measures offered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, including Emergency Dike Construction. Seconded by Council Member Kourajian. Roll Call No. 2 showed: 3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

Council Member Kourajian moved a Resolution to suspend City Council action on existing claims filed from private property owners as a result of the 2009 Emergency Dike Construction and Removal due to the necessity to construct Emergency Dikes for 2010. Seconded by Council Member Parisien. Roll Call No. 3 showed: 3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

Council Member Schulz moved a Resolution to approve and authorize payment for the cost of dike and sandbag removal, cleanup and reseeded of sites in which temporary emergency levees are constructed by the Corps of Engineers or the City of Jamestown and to allow private property owners to submit claims, for consideration of reimbursement by the City Council on a case by case basis, on non-structural damages that result from levee construction and removal. Seconded by Council Member Kourajian. Roll Call No. 4 showed: 3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

Council Member Parisien moved a Resolution to allow the Engineering and Public Works Departments to proceed with necessary purchases and rental agreements for Flood Control Measures. Seconded by Council Member Kourajian. Roll Call No. 5 showed: 3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

Council Member Schulz moved a Resolution to reaffirm City Council intent to commit up to \$2 million per year for the next 12 years for City Infrastructure Improvements, with the majority of these funds designated to go toward necessary Sanitary Sewer System Studies, Design and Improvements. Seconded by Council Member Kourajian. Roll Call No. 6 showed: 3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

Council Member Kourajian moved a Resolution to restrict trespassing, causing damage to or the removal of dikes or portions thereof by private individuals to any dike constructed by the Corps of Engineers or

the City of Jamestown. Seconded by Council Member Schulz. Roll Call No. 7 showed: 3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

Council Member Schulz moved a Resolution to allow private property owners to receive sandbags from the City, as available, and only at a site separate from sandbag filing and storage for City of Jamestown needs. Seconded by Council Member Kourajian. Roll Call No. 8 showed: 3 ayes, 0 nays, 2 absent. Carried.

Council Member Kourajian moved to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Schulz. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

JEFF FUCHS, City Administrator

KELANI PARISIEN, Vice-President of the Council