

**LILYDALE CITY COUNCIL MEETING**  
**February 9, 2015**

**Present** – Council Members Bob Bullard and Marilyn Lundberg; Mayor Pro Tem Warren Peterson; Tom Lehmann, City Criminal Attorney; Mike Andrejka, Building Official; Mary Schultz, City Clerk and Administrative Assistant, Billie Jo Rassat

**Also Present** – Brian LeMon, Barr Engineering and Officer Erik Peterson, Mendota Heights Police

**Absent** – Mayor Anita Pampusch and Councilmember John Diehl

The City Council Meeting was called to order at 4:35 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Peterson. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

**Agenda** – There were two additions to the Agenda: 1) Update on the bluff; and 2) Update on the Comcast merger. **Motion by Councilmember Lundberg, seconded by Councilmember Bullard to approve the Agenda as amended. Passed 3-0.**

**Minutes** – **Motion by Councilmember Lundberg, seconded by Councilmember Bullard to approve the January 12, 2015 City Council Minutes with the following changes on page two: “Spin Co will become Midwest Cable also known as Greatland Connections. They will then have to raise 7.5 billion dollars.” Passed 3-0.**

**City Civil Attorney** – Attorney Lehmann provided a memo regarding the Big River Trail Joint Powers Agreement as requested by the Council at the January 12, 1015 city council meeting.

Attorney Lehmann read the minutes of the closed meeting that was held on January 12, 2015 to discuss the clerk’s performance in 2014. The Council’s report was positive, stating that the clerk met all of her goals and had earned a salary increase. The report/minutes will be attached to the February 9, 2015 city council meeting minutes as the official record.

**City Criminal Attorney** – No report.

**Building Official Report** – Building Official Mike Andrejka issued two permits in January.

**Police Report** – Officer Peterson reported the Mendota Heights Police department is in the process of hiring three new patrol officers and promoting two officers to sergeant with another in June. Plans are underway for a police cross in recognition of Officer Scott Patrick.

**Engineer Report** – In Jeff Weiss’s absence, Brian LeMon, Vice President and Senior Civil Engineer with Barr Engineering addressed the council’s questions and concerns regarding a February 8, 2015 memo from Weiss regarding the Trunk Highway 13 project. Weiss’s memo noted significant cost increases and geotechnical concerns with bluff stability. The Council expressed displeasure with having received the information the day before the council meeting, and at this late time in the project planning. LeMon stated the recent focus on the geotechnical aspect of the TH13 project was prompted in part by bluff failures in other areas of the Twin Cities in 2014. LeMon stated a new examination of the bluff, including geotechnical analysis and monitoring, will provide data to show that the act of drilling the well for the drop shaft will not cause a bluff failure. Councilmembers Lundberg and Bullard expressed concern with moving forward with the project as planned. Bullard asked LeMon to provide three alternative plans. He also requested Attorney Lehmann to have his firm provide a bond schedule for project financing of \$300,000 and \$400,000. A special city council meeting will be called to further discuss this matter.

**Clerk's Report** – Clerk Schultz presented the council with the January financial reports. **Motion by Councilmember Bullard, seconded by Councilmember Lundberg to approve the financial reports. Passed 3-0.** Clerk Schultz also present the 2014 Annual Financial Statement.

**Bluff Project Update** – Councilmember Lundberg reported that Union Pacific donated \$15,000 to the bluff project and with this generous contribution along with the others they have reached their goal.

**Cable Merger Update** – Councilmember Peterson reported that the merger has not been approved yet by the FCC. He noted that Midwest Cable has no operating history. Midwest Cable will be comprised of 67% Comcast shareholders and 33% Charter Communications.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:43 p.m.

Respectfully submitted:

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Mary Schultz, City Clerk

Final copy reviewed by:

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Anita Pampusch, Mayor