

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF FOSSTON, POLK COUNTY MINNESOTA
JUNE 30, 2014

Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Special Meeting of the Council of the City of Fosston was held in Council Chambers on Monday, June 30, 2014 at 6:30 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Offerdahl with the following members present: Dufault and Veum. Member absent: Carlson and Hoialmen. Also present was Administrator Lucken, Dean Vikan, Dave Larson, and City Engineer Lee Cariveau.

The purpose of the meeting was to hold an information meeting to discuss the Downtown Street and Utility project with the public.

Representatives from Gordon Construction present at the meeting were Butch Gordon, Matt Gordon and Bill Tollefsen.

Members of the public present were Greg Mireault, Ray Miller, Woody Enerson, Gabe Wiener, Tom Senger, Dan Paulson and Leah Palubicki.

Consulting engineer Lee Cariveau from Widseth Smith Nolting gave an overview of the downtown project. Water main replacement will be done on Johnson Ave., Kaiser Ave, 2nd St. NW from Johnson Ave. to Mark Ave. N. Work on Johnson Ave. N. will include diagonal parking, curb & gutter replacement, sidewalk and new lighting. The alley between Johnson Ave. and Inderlee Ave N. will be paved in 2015. The final bituminous lift for all the streets in the project will be completed in 2015.

Bill Tollefsen gave an overview of Gordon Construction's plans for the Downtown project. He indicated that they would tentatively begin construction the week of July 28th on Johnson Ave. or Kaiser Ave. He assured the business owners present that Gordon would keep disruption to their businesses to a minimum. Larson and Cariveau indicated that they would stop in at each business periodically to keep them informed on progress of the project. Cariveau stated that he would prepare a progress report each week and email it to downtown business owners.

Leah Palubicki asked that access to the grocery store and the convenience store be open as much as possible. If access is restricted at the Express, she requested that it be done on Tuesday or Wednesday.

Mireault stated that parking will be a major issue for the downtown. He requested that the City put up signs directing customers to parking areas. Dan Paulson reported that he had spoken to John Nord and Nord will have his employees park in American Federal's gravel parking lot during construction. Kingo Church may allow daytime parking in their lot for downtown employees.

There being no further business to come before the council, Motion was made by Veum seconded by Dufault to adjourn. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

Charles Lucken, City Administrator