

Minutes for the City Council Emergency Meeting

March 13, 2006

Call to Order 7:02 PM

Roll Call

Mike Atkins

Wayne Howell

Martha Romero

Ken Klawunder

Becky King

Wayne introduced the topic for this evenings meeting the Capital Project Improvement plan to be submitted to Sen. Albert Kookesh for possible funding.

Ken Klawunder explained the history of the CIP list and why the council is discussing this issue this evening. Ken introduced his list of suggested projects that come from the Strategic Plan.

Please see attached list. Discussion on this list followed.

Wayne added the idea of a City owned and operated landing craft for discussion as well.

The idea of an all weather boat harbor was dismissed from the discussion due to the infeasibility of such a structure near Gustavus because of the geography of the area. Studies have already been done by DOT and came directly from the commissioner of DOT.

Wayne brought up the first idea of the clinic expansion. It was stated by members of the clinic board that the clinic is not ready for a project of this nature at this time.

The next topics on the preliminary list discussed were the vault pit toilets/septic, drain field, and pumper truck (for the public toilets only). Discussion on this topic followed.

The next topic on the list discussed was the relocation of the DRC. Discussion on this topic followed.

The used oil disposal and storage center was discussed only briefly because little or no research had been done on this topic at this time.

The next item discussed was the possibility of the City owned Landing Craft. Tim Gibson stated that there is not enough freight hauled in and out of Gustavus to support the operation of a landing craft. The purchase price alone is \$650,000.00 without general maintenance, insurance, and a captain. Also, it was mentioned that a city run enterprise of this nature could infringe on the already limited privately owned freight handling businesses. Conversation circled back to the issue of the cost of shipping freight to Gustavus as being a major immediate problem for the community. Since this is not a CIP Wayne

asked that the idea of forming a committee to address the issue of freight expense be moved to the next work session on Thursday the 16th of March.

The next possible CIP discussed was the idea of a planning process for multiple-use Community facility that incorporates the Fire Hall, City Hall, Clinic, Meeting rooms, training, and storage facilities. Current facilities do not meet or will not meet the needs of Gustavus in the future. Ken explained the idea. The amount to be requested would be approx. \$600,000.00. Discussion on this project followed.

The next possible CIP project is expanding broadband internet service to all of the City of Gustavus. Funding would be requested in the amount of \$10,000.00 to hire someone to plan and create a strategy for providing service to the community. Discussion on this topic followed.

It was decided that Ken would make a 2 page CIP write up on the Vault Pit Outhouses and septic removal. He will also do one for the design if a community center.

Paul will write up a CIP proposal for the relocation of the DRC.

Nate Borson will make a CIP proposal for Broadband expansion planning.

Ponch Marchbanks will write up a CIP proposal for residing the Fire Hall.

Write ups will be forwarded to Ken by Wednesday to be sent on to Sen.

Kookesh and Rep. Thomas.

Ken went over the requirements for the write ups. Discussion on the content of the write ups proceeded.

Becky made a motion to ask for CIP monies for relocation of the DRC, public toilets around town and septic, a community center, GCN plan, and the residing of the fire hall. Motion passed 5/0.

Adjournment 8:53 PM