

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF CALEDONIA, MINNESOTA  
Monday, March 5, 2012

CALL TO ORDER. Following due call and notice thereof, Acting Mayor Fisch called the special meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Room, City Hall.

ROLL CALL. Council Members: Randi Vick, Robert Lemke, Member Fisch, and Tom Murphy. Members absent: Mayor Bob Burns. Consultants and City staff present: City Clerk/Administrator Jennifer Feely, Administrative Coordinator Mike Gerardy, and Line Foreman Matt Blocker. Visitors present: Jim Hoscheit, Houston County Engineer Brian Pogodinski, Aaron Rud, and Casey Klug.

BUSINESS ITEM.

A. ZONING APPLICATION: 605 EAST PARK STREET. Acting Mayor Fisch opened the public hearing at 6:01 p.m. Administrative Coordinator Gerardy shared that an application was received from Jim and Deb Hoscheit, 918 East Bush Street, proposing to construct a 3,400 square foot home with an attached garage at 605 East Park Street. It was noted that the proposal required a 15' setback variance on the west (front) property line. Mr. Gerardy explained the proposed construction would encompass two lots. Member Vick questioned whether any utility easements would have to be vacated. Discussion ensued. The consensus was for City staff to research the matter and report back at the upcoming meeting. Line Foreman Blocker was present to discuss moving the junction box along County Road 5. It was noted that the cost associated with moving the junction box along County Road 5 would be at the City's expense when the County Road 5 project occurs as it was previously planned to be moved regardless of Mr. Hoscheit's request. Mr. Hoscheit stated that he preferred that the junction box be moved closer to the southwest corner of the lot by the park. Mr. Blocker went on to share the following estimates obtained to move wire on Center Street and Park Street in construction with the proposed construction: \$2,589.16 to use the easement on the East property line, and \$3,238.52 to move the easement to the north. It was noted that the aforementioned options will be at the expense of the property owner. Houston County Engineer Brian Pogodinski was present and noted that a 15' variance puts it in line with a typical urban variance. Mr. Pogodinski went on to share that the property owner will want to work on elevation so as to avoid drainage problems from occurring. A question then arose concerning sidewalks in the area of proposed construction. Mr. Pogodinski replied that there will be sidewalk on the west side to Park Street, with curb and gutter to be installed on both sides of the street. Hearing no further comments or questions from the public, Acting Mayor Fisch closed the public hearing at 6:20 p.m. A motion was made by Acting Mayor Fisch, seconded by Member Murphy, to grant a 15' setback variance on the west property line with the understanding that the City will relocate the junction box along County Road 5 at City expense, whereas Mr. Hoscheit will be responsible for all costs associated with moving wire on Center and Park Street. In addition, approval of the 15' variance is contingent upon the successful vacation of any utility easements that are located within the planned area of development. All members present voted in favor and the motion was declared carried.

B. LIFELINE SOFTWARE FOR POOL PROJECT. City Clerk/Administrator Feely shared that discussion ensued at the February 27 City Council meeting regarding purchasing the LifeLine Software System to track pledges and donations in conjunction with the Caledonia Aquatic Center Project. Feely noted that the cost to purchase a license for a single user was \$595, whereas the cost for multi-user would be \$845. Feely explained that the single version can only be run on one computer, while the multi-user version can be run on an office network and accessed by multiple computers on the network. Discussion ensued. A motion was made by Acting Mayor Fisch, seconded by Member Murphy, to purchase the multi-user version at a cost of \$845. All members present voted in favor and the motion was declared carried.

ADJOURNMENT. A motion to adjourn was made at 6:28 p.m. by Acting Mayor Fisch, seconded by Member Vick. All members voted in favor and the motion was declared carried. The next regularly scheduled meeting of the City Council is scheduled for Monday, March 12, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the Council Room, City Hall.

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Robert H. Burns  
Mayor

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Jennifer Feely  
City Clerk/Administrator