

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE AS A WHOLE OF THE CITY OF
LITTLEFORK IN THE COUNTY OF KOOCHICHING AND STATE OF MINNESOTA
INCLUDING ALL ACCOUNTS AUDITED BY SAID COUNCIL**

Monday, June 10, 2024

Call to Order

Mayor Mike Fort called the meeting to order at 12:00 pm at City Hall, 901 Main Street.

Roll Call

Members Present: Mike Fort, Loren Lehman, Sara Wendt, Quen Kennedy, Todd Thydean.

Members Absent: None.

Others Present: Sonja Pelland, Holly Hoy, Kory Williams, Jason Chopp and Austin Kalisch.

Purpose of Meeting:

To review the preliminary feasibility study for potential paving project in the City of Littlefork.

Engineer Jason Chopp displayed pavement recommendations on a projection screen broken down by Street. The calculations of cost per foot to property owners were based on the total cost of the residential portion of the project split evenly amongst adjacent properties so that everyone would be paying the same per foot assessment: \$72.99 on the address side and \$36.45 on the non-address side. The estimated cost of pavement is \$82.00-\$85.00 per ton. The total estimated construction cost is \$1,616,771.

Jason stated that the City of Littlefork applied for the LRRP Grant but did not receive the Grant. The City can reapply again in October 2024. The LRRP Grant would cover 80-85% of the Main Street and 9th Avenue portion of the project, including curb and gutter. Councilors voiced to pull Main Street and 9th Avenue out of the project and keep applying for LRRP funds for these two streets.

After all questions and concerns raised by the City Council, Administrator and Engineers were answered, Jason encouraged Administration to reach out to the City's financial advisor before going to the public. Jason also referenced that we could adopt an assessment policy or go by "past practice" as we did with the 2017 project. Having received all the information he needed from the Council, Jason is confident he can complete the final study. With the delays he had in figuring out assessment footage due to poor GIS mapping, we are looking at a public hearing in late fall. The actual project would not be bid until winter or spring of 2025.

Adjournment

There was no motion, the Committee meeting adjourned at approximately 1:30 pm.

Attest: Holly Hoy, City Clerk

Mayor Mike Fort