

CITY OF PORTLAND COUNCIL MINUTES

Monday July 28, 2014

The Portland City Council met in special session on Monday July 28, 2014 in the Memorial Hall Building. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Mickels. Also present were Aldermen Heather Amb, Josh Braaten and JoAnna Nielson, absent was Ed Lenaburg. The City of Portland Assessment Commission of Bruce Nelson, Craig Klabo and Bruce Smeby; and Attorney Cassie Tostenson were in attendance.

The Assessment Commission presented the proposed assessments to the City of Portland city council after the changes made from the protest meeting on Tuesday July 22, 2014. At the protest meeting, the Assessment Commission adjusted 5 residential properties. The assessments proposed by the Assessment Commission with the changes would take the assessments from \$70.52 per liner foot to \$70.97 per liner foot.

Attorney Cassie Tostenson informed the city council that Moore Engineering had reviewed past projects for guidelines to assist in deciding on the business owners request for exemption from assessments due to being outside project area. Moore Engineering did not have any guidelines to present.

Motion Braaten to exempt the 2 businesses that are east of the City of Portland and outside of the work area from the assessments for the 2014 street improvement project, no second, motion failed.

Aldermen Lenaburg joined the meeting. Additional discussion held regarding the assessments for the 2014 street project. Motion Lenaburg, second Braaten to exempt the 2 businesses east of the City of Portland and outside of the work area from assessments for 2014 street project, on roll, all aye, motion carried.

Motion Amb, second Braaten to approve assessments with adjustments from the Assessment Commission and the city council on roll, all aye, motion carried.

Council reviewed office appointments and in addition to the changes made at the last council meeting, the new council president is Heather Amb, the zoning commission reappointed with new members of Ed Lenaburg and Ben Basol. The Portland Park Board updated to include Merle Strand as Chairman and Bart Aamold.

No further business, meeting adjourned.

Nadine Rygg, Auditor

Sven Mickels, Mayor

