

Minutes for
Work Session
May 3, 2011
6:00 p.m.

Those present: Mayor Kenneth Romney, Dave Tovey, John Baza, James Bruhn, Valerie Shaw, Mark Preece, Craig Howe, Heidi Voordeckers, Ben White, Chief Randy Lloyd.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Romney at 7:00 p.m.

1. Discussion of city drainage issues.

Ben White – Ben reviewed minutes from council meetings dating back to 1971, when the property which is now the Golden West subdivision was first brought before council for a rezone. The drainage issues were brought before council many times over the next few years. Ben provided council with portions of meeting minutes that are relevant. Several possible solutions were proposed over that time. In 1976, the residents rejected a proposed solution from the developer and his engineers. They wanted to install a rolled concrete curb the length of the development which would deal with surface water. Ben stated he thinks a curb would be effective for surface water.

Ben also proposed putting a pipe in each of the two corners on the back of the Strand property. The pipes would not cost very much and they would direct water away from the subdivision. He will bring requests for funding before council before he starts any work there.

The best solution for dealing with ground water would be for the residents to install French drains and sump pumps on their properties. The city would not be responsible for financing or designing of these improvements, but to help the residents, the city could possibly provide gravel for the drains and a mini excavator and operator. Ben also suggested the residents could get help from organized service projects. He said the best time to work on these projects would be in August or September.

Ben briefly addressed a problem a resident on 200 North has with a pipe. Council members discussed canvassing neighborhoods to see where other problems exist throughout the city.

Mayor Romney closed the meeting at 7:25 pm.


MAYOR KENNETH ROMNEY




HEIDI VOORDECKERS (CITY RECORDER)

NATHALIE ELLINGSON (SECRETARY)