

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
CITY HALL
MARCH 3, 2023 4:00 PM

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance: 4:00 p.m. Council Chambers

- Mayor Harju called the Cokato City Council to order Monday, March 3rd, 2023 at 4:00 p.m. in the council chambers for a special meeting. Members present were Mayor Harju, Council Members Erickson, Martinson, Sebring, and Wilson. Also present were members of the Staff.


2. North Cokato Industrial Park

- **Funding Sources for Industrial Park**
 - Administrator Potter has been in contact with Wright County discussing turn lanes. Potter advised county officials that currently the city is not interested in getting a loan from the county. Wright County officials are not interested in discussing tax abatement with the city.
 - City will file for tax increment financing as soon as the bid is approved.
- **Revised DEED Grant Application Resolution**
 - Administrator Potter has been in contact with Jeremy Lacroix from DEED and Jeremy is willing to look at amending the grant application to try and get extra money for the city. DEED money cannot be used for funding of the required turn lanes. The application can be amended quickly but the resolution will need to be updated.
 - **Motion** by Wilson to approve the Deed application amendment, seconded by Erickson; all voted aye.
- **Consideration of Bid Award for North Cokato Industrial Park Improvements**
 - La Tour Construction bid amount \$1,214,461.51.
 - The predicted partial completion date is August 1st, 2023.
 - **Motion** by Erickson to accept the bid from La Tour Construction in the amount of \$1,214,461.51, seconded by Sebring; all voted aye.
- **Additional Information**
 - County Road 3 will be used as a detour route starting around July 10th until possibly October according to MnDOT. The turn lanes would need to be completed by July 10th.
 - The city will be able to dictate who goes into the Industrial Park and the business has to be industrial.
 - Administrator Potter has been discussing the cost of getting natural gas to Industrial Park. Currently Potter is also trying to get approximate gas usage amounts from Brent Minkinen to get a better idea of what is needed. The cost of getting natural gas to the business will go to the business owner.

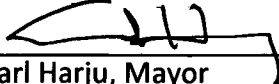
3. Adjournment

- **Motion** by Martinson to adjourn, seconded by Sebring; all voted aye.
- Meeting adjourned at 4:38 pm.

ATTEST:


Megan Gustafson, City Clerk

APPROVED BY:


Carl Harju, Mayor