

City of Becker
City Council Special Meeting of March 24, 2020

The Becker City Council met in special session at 5:06 p.m. on Tuesday, March 24, 2020 at 12060 Sherburne Avenue, Becker. Present: Mayor Tracy Bertram, Council Members Rick Hendrickson, Troy Cox, and Becky Olmscheid. Council Member Mike Doering was absent. Guests were in attendance.

1. Mayor Tracy Bertram called the March 17, 2020 Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
3. Chief of Police, Brent Baloun, gave Council an overview on the COVID-19 (coronavirus) Event. He stated the City has the authority to declare an emergency per Minnesota Statutes Section 12.29 and has been following the direction of the federal, state and county government in that order. Sherburne County recently declared an emergency and City was following suit. He stressed this was not a "doom and gloom" action, but rather an action taken to allow for fluidity and flexibility in providing essential services, making staffing decisions, procuring equipment, and many other decisions that may need to be made. The emergency declaration would be back dated to March 13, 2020 when the State declared the emergency which was consistent with law. Information was changing daily and would continue to be monitored. This declaration would not alleviate the City from following standard procedure but would allow for change when required.

Mayor Bertram then read the emergency proclamation contained within Resolution 20-26 declaring an emergency in the City of Becker.

With no questions, Hendrickson / Cox motioned to approve Resolution 20-26, City of Becker Declaration of Emergency. All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.

4. Hendrickson / Cox motioned to adjourn the March 24, 2020 Special City Council Meeting at 5:17 p.m. All Council Members present voted in favor of the motion. The motion carried.



Julie Blesi, City Clerk

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