

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
BEMIDJI, MINNESOTA
Special Meeting/Work Session – May 5, 2014

Pursuant to due call and notice, a special meeting/work session of the City Council of the City of Bemidji, Beltrami County, Minnesota, was held on Monday, May 5, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. in the Conference Room of City Hall, Mayor Albrecht presiding.

Upon roll call, the following Councilmembers were declared present: Albrecht, Meehlhause, Johnson, Hellquist, Olson, Erickson, Thompson

Staff Present: City Manager John Chattin, City Attorney Alan Felix, City Clerk Kay Murphy
Other: Corey Klinefelter, owner McDonald's

Mayor Albrecht stated that the purpose of the special work session was to discuss a proposal from Mr. Klinefelter regarding a parcel adjacent to his south restaurant.

Chattin stated that Mr. Klinefelter contact staff regarding purchasing the parcel. Chattin informed him that the Council had decided to leave it as is; however, if he wished to purchase the 50' parcel or more land that he would need to visit with the Council directly.

Mr. Klinefelter stated that he is willing to purchase the parcel and make improvements on it that will enhance his business. Klinefelter further stated that he is not in favor of Link Street being closed as he would like it to remain open for access to this business. Discussion continued regarding ownership of the underlying property, McDonald's restaurant, etc. Klinefelter noted that McDonald's lease of the property from Cuperus ends in 2016. At that point, McDonald's corporate will consider if they will continue at that location.

Erickson commented that she has spoken to the Public Works Director and was informed that he was alright with the sale of the 50 feet.

Felix stated that if the Council approved the sale of 50' to Klinefelter, it would be a substandard lot or unbuildable. At which point the Joint Planning Commission and Board would weigh-in. The JPB would most likely put restrictions on the parcel, i.e., not buildable and must be added to the McDonald's parcel at some future date.

Discussion continued regarding a fair market value of the property in question. Council and Mr. Klinefelter came to a tentative agreement of \$50,000 for the lot.

Motion by Hellquist, seconded by Olson, authorizing staff to prepare a Purchase Agreement to sell the easterly 50' of the Link Street turnback property adjacent to McDonald's to Corey Klinefelter's business entity in the amount \$50,000. Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, motion by Meehlhause, seconded by Johnson, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kay M. Murphy
City Clerk