

CITY OF LAKE ST. CROIX BEACH
16455 20TH STREET SOUTH
WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MARCH 14, 2019
7:00 pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: Tom McCarthy, JP Armstrong, Noah Bluesky, Dawn Bulera

MEMBERS ABSENT: Pete Ludwig

STAFF PRESENT: Dave Engstrom, Kathy Laur

OTHERS PRESENT:

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor McCarthy call the meeting to order at 7:04 pm

Community Meeting – Flood Forecast 2019

- John Sievert did a presentation on how the snow and rain will affect LSCB. The frost goes down between 6-8 feet right now. The ground has limited ability to accept water. 6-9 inches of water is on the ground as of today. The River today is at 675 ft. The probability of hitting a minor flood is 100%. The probability of hitting a major flood is 90%. For 6 weeks we are risk for high water. From now until the end of April.

Presentation by Floodplain Advisory Commission

- Todd Streeter - In 2001 the city experienced its second worst flood. After that flood the Floodplain Advisory Commission was formed. An emergency flood management manual was created. Because the city has been through this before, it is equipped to deal with the management of the water.
- Brad Peters – Emergency Manager for the city of LSCB. The first priority is life safety, second is incident stabilization and third is property preservation. After a flood fight the city emergency manual is updated. The process is continuously evolving. We will start with pumping. Sanding bagging will be done, and many volunteers are needed to help with that. If this gets to be too much for the city we will then turn to Washington County for the next level of help.

Designation of a Flood Emergency

- The City Council passed a resolution to declare LSCB a state of emergency within the city.

Mayor McCarthy made a motion to accept Resolution 2019-03 declaring a state of emergency within the city, seconded by Councilmember Armstrong. Motion passed 4-0.

Recessed the meeting until Monday, March 18.