

JAMESTOWN CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING, MARCH 31, 2009
OFFICIAL MINUTES

The special meeting of the City Council was called to order by Mayor Liechty at 4:00 P.M.

Roll Call showed the following members present: Mayor Liechty, Council Members Kourajian, Nygaard, Parisien and Schulz, City Attorney Dalsted and City Administrator Fuchs.

The purpose of the meeting was to determine whether the Special Election scheduled for April 7, 2009, regarding the establishment of a Quiet Zone should be rescheduled due to the current efforts needed by City and Stutsman County staff and residents in dealing with snowfall, overland flooding and anticipated high release levels from the Jamestown Reservoir and Pipestem Dam projects.

The City Attorney informed the City Council that based on the City General Ordinance on Emergency established as part of our Home Rule Charter as well as a 2003 ND Attorney General Opinion the City Council did have the authority to reschedule the special election to a later date.

Dwaine Heinrich, representing the committee for the petitioners calling for the special election, indicated that the committee fully understood the situation that the community was in and would support any decision the City Council made regarding this matter.

Dan Buchanan, also a member of the committee for the petitioners, stated that due to the situation that the community faced and the distractions which this created that the residents are currently preoccupied with other matters and felt that it was in the best interest of the community that the election be postponed to a later date.

Council Member Schulz moved a Resolution to reschedule the Special City Election to May 5, 2009, with polling hours to be from 7:00 AM to 7:00 PM, at the Exchequer Room of the Jamestown Civic Center. Seconded by Mayor Liechty. Roll Call No. 1 showed: 5 ayes, 0 nays, 0 absent. Carried.

Council Member Parisien moved to adjourn. Seconded by Council Member Nygaard. Unanimous aye vote. Carried.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

JEFF FUCHS, City Administrator

CLARICE LIECHTY, Mayor