

**MINUTES
CITY OF DELANO
EMERGENCY MEETING
City Council/Economic Development Authority
Saturday, March 26, 2011
9:00 AM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Graunke called the Emergency Meeting of the Delano City Council/Economic Development Authority of Saturday, March 26, 2011 to order at 9:12 AM.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present: Dale Graunke, Mayor
Holly Schrupp, Council Member
Betsy Stolfa, Council Member
Dan Vick, Council Member
Derek Schansberg, Council Member

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Phil Kern, City Administrator
Paula Bauman, Recorder

3. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

A. Discuss Crow River Flooding issues.

Kern gave an update of the current river conditions and temporary levees that were built on Friday. The City experienced some ice jams on Friday afternoon near the Bridge Avenue bridge. The ice jams were removed by a backhoe and the river stabilized. During the course of the ice moving downstream it severely impacted a sanitary sewer manhole near the river by Peppermint Twist. Either dislodging the cover or more significantly damaged the structure. The city was pushed into emergency mode Friday afternoon to react and prevent major sanitary sewer damages. Kern stated the sanitary sewer manhole sits in the river way at 17.3 feet. Once it was damaged, the river was able to immediately rush and continue rushing into the sanitary sewer system and homes on the west side of the river experienced backups into the basement. The Wastewater Treatment Plant also reached levels in the plant that was twenty times higher than normal. Crews plugged the manholes on both sides of the river to prevent a significant number of backups, prevent sewer overflow onto streets and prevent damage to the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Sandbags were used to fill the manholes and emergency bypass pumping was initiated. Council discussed the use of pumps to reroute the sanitary sewer and discussed letting residents know to limit their water usage.

4. ADJOURNMENT

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There being no further business to discuss the Emergency Meeting of the Delano City Council/Economic Development Authority of Saturday, March 26, 2011 was adjourned at 10:00 AM.

Dale Graunke, Mayor

ATTEST:

Marlene E. Kittock, City Clerk