

Regular Meeting Minutes of the McBain City Council February 13, 2017
held at the meeting room of the fire barn, 7:00 pm

Present: Dykhouse, D. Heuker, Kubiak, Heethuis, DeBoer, Lutke, M. Smith, H. Heuker, Fisher, King, Doug DeYoung (consumers rep)
Betsy Kirkby

Absent: Doug Smith

Called to Order by Mayor Dykhouse @ 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation by Mayor Dykhouse

- Motion by Lutke, supported by DeBoer to approve January minutes, approved 5-0.
- Motion by Heuker, supported by Lutke to approve January financials, approved 5-0.

Public Input-

- Betsy Kirkby requested permission to use the city streets for a 5K on August 18, 2017. Motion by Lutke, supported by Heethuis, to allow use of streets for the 5K, approved 5-0. They will provide the city with a certificate of insurance.
- Doug DeYoung from Consumers introduced a renewal for the electric franchise. This is for a 30 year term. The ordinance will be posted for 30 days and then acted on at our March meeting.

Fisher/King DPW Report-

- 3 water service leaks have been repaired
- Presented request for leaf wagon replacement. Motion by Lutke, supported by DeBoer to refer to finance committee for review, Approved 5-0. Mayor will present to DDA and relay input to the Finance committee as well. They will report back at the March meeting.
- Also presented estimates for painting the dump truck box and service truck.

Old Business-

- 4.35 acres – Figliomeni made the requested changes to the document and sent to proposed developer. We are waiting to hear back.
- Consumers power under the RR spur - attorneys are working on the issues.
- Planning Commission members – we need 2 more people
- Water Tower – Figliomeni is drafting a letter of response to American Structures

New Business

- Marijuana Ordinance/Resolution - Lutke will be attending a training meeting for local government. Under new law the City of McBain should have an ordinance specifically stating what is and is not allowed.

Committee Reports and Recommendations

- Discussed the letter received from Mr. Mosher regarding land divisions. Motion by Lutke, supported by Heethuis that the Mayor and Clerk will write and send an appropriate letter of response, approved 5-0.
- Motion by DeBoer, supported by Lutke to refer the question of seasonal help to the labor /finance committee, approved 5-0.
- Lutke reported on the Community Survey progress and hopes to have more information ready next month.
- Lutke reported the EDC will meet and has invited Dan Leonard from MEDC for gaining information as to how to best work with the MEDC and access funds.
- DeBoer doing more research and meetings with Viking Energy to arrive at a reasonable/fair billing for utilities.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heuker to charge Challenger Automation 2 units each for water and sewer for the first 2 quarters of 2017. Approved 5-0.
- Reedy's are asking about a meter.
- Finance Committee will meet with Scott Leech (Chemical Bank) to review our accounts.

Meeting adjourned by Mayor at 8:30 pm.

Marcia Smith,
McBain City Clerk