

Regular Meeting Minutes of the McBain City Council January 9, 2017
held at the meeting room of the fire barn, 7:00 pm

Present: Dykhouse, D. Heuker, Kubiak, Heethuis, DeBoer, Lutke, D. Smith, M. Smith, H. Heuker, Fisher, King, Peterson's (owners of Twisted Cow), Phil DeKraker, Cadillac News Rep,

Absent: none

Called to Order by Mayor Dykhouse @ 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation by Mayor Dykhouse

- Motion by Lutke, supported by Kubiak to approve December minutes, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by DeBoer to approve December financials, approved 6-0.

Public Input- Peterson's will wait for the utility committee report.

Fisher/King DPW Report-

- Water main break was repaired on the Holiday. Several citizens's expressed appreciation of the DPW workers going over and above their duties to take care of this quickly. "Thank You!"
- RR Crossing on W Maple St. needs repair and the city may need to contribute to the cost.
- Stirring machine in the water tower is working and Well #5 is on line and working.
- There has been a problem with dirty and rusty water that is still being addressed by DPW researching for a good solution.

Old Business-

- **Water tower** -we are waiting on documentation for 2 change orders that have been presented for payment.
- **Attorney** opinion on the BID received for the 4.35 acre parcel was received today but EDC is not prepared to make any recommendation at this time. A Special meeting will be called by the Mayor.

New Business

- Motion by Lutke, supported Smith to adopt the resolution to present the 2017/2018 proposed budget, Approved 6-0. We will hold a budget hearing at 7:00pm on February 13, 2017 for public input.
- Motion by Heuker, supported by Lutke to send a letter to Mr. Mosher about the Land Division agreement. Approved 6-0.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heethuis to refer to finance committee to clarify the need for a land division expert on retainer. Approved 6-0.

Committee Reports and Recommendations

- **Utility committee** Motion by Lutke, supported by Smith to amend the REU schedule for body shops and truck repair to **1 unit+.5/2000 square feet AND** establishing usage of **250 gallons /day as = to 1 REU, AND** Accept the REU change for Autumnwood to .5/bed effective 2nd quarter, based on their meter reading, approved 6-0.
- Motion by DeBoer, supported by Lutke to change the classification of the Twisted Cow to "Restaurant-take out" and not do a seasonal rate establishing their new rate to be 2.3 units, approved 6-0.
- Motion by DeBoer, supported by Smith to honor the agreement that the previous committee made with the Carwash. The new rate will become effective January 2018. Approved 6-0.
- Reedy's will be offered the opportunity to purchase and install a meter, as is our current policy and procedure.
- Pinecourt will increase units next quarter. They have 2 new units.
- Phil DeKraker has sent a letter about concern for his building utilities but it hasn't been received by the committee yet.
- Motion by Heethuis, supported by Smith to send letters to Viking, Hydrolake, and Biewer expressing the committee's desire to meet with them to discuss their usage and unit increases. Approved 6-0.

Rounds

- Lutke- compiling the data from the community survey so that it can be presented to the planning commission.
- Smith- Christmas tree will be unplugged and lights put away by the fire department.
- Clerk- bid portables for upcoming year
- Clerk- bid sewer land in November/December for next year.

Meeting adjourned by Mayor at 8:50 pm.

Marcia Smith,
McBain City Clerk