

Regular Meeting Minutes of the McBain City Council May 8, 2017  
held at the meeting room of the fire barn, 7:00 pm

Present: Dykhouse, D. Heuker, Heethuis, Lutke, DeBoer, M. Smith, H. Heuker, Fisher, King, Dean Smallegan (our county commissioner) Citizens: Joey Roberts, Shyrl Wimmeler, Clay Gilde, Courtney Vanderhoef, Tennille Heuker, Chuck and Theresa DeCator, Bernard and Judy Eisenga, Tammy Ashby, Ed McIntyre, Jen Jennings, Melissa Abbot, Lori Warren and daughter and Deputy Will Yancer.

Absent: Kubiak, D. Smith

Called to Order by Mayor Dykhouse @ 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation by Mayor Dykhouse

- Motion by Lutke, supported by DeBoer to approve April minutes, approved 4-0.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heuker to approve April financials, approved 4-0.

**Public Input-7:20- 8:00pm**

- Mayor welcomed the city residents. We had 13 neighbors of 222 S Pine St making complaints about the loud music, big bonfires, loud yelling and cussing, loud revving of car engines and general nuisance during the city's quiet hours that are coming from the 222 S Pine St residence. Undersheriff Will Yancer was there to hear the comments along with the council. McBain does have a noise ordinance that will be enforced by our Zoning Officer, the Sheriff's office will support the city as the law allows. We will be working together to deal with this situation. Complaints need to be called in every time to 911 and emails need to be sent to the city clerk who will then forward them to our Zoning Enforcement Officer so that he can address this directly. Thank you all of the residents who came to the meeting to voice concerns. The City Council will do everything we can to help resolve this problem.
- Lori Warren commented that they are new to the McBain area and her family loves our city. They are hoping to build on an empty lot.
- Comments were also heard about the feral cat nuisance.

**Treasurer Report-**

- Heidi reported her laptop expired and plans are being made to purchase a new one. Bo McCurdy went over and above to help save her files get them on a temporary computer so she can do city business until she gets her new computer.

**Fisher/King DPW Report**

- Working with Consumers corrections have been made and Well #5 is functioning within tolerances of the pump.
- Russell Westdorp Jr. has started working as our seasonal help.
- Mike King took all 4 of his state exams for certification.

**Old Business-**

- Planning Commission – Needs 1 more member
- BIDS for the DPW building roof project: Bids were received from B G Building for \$17,650.00, Sikkema Construction for \$34,328.28, and Heuker Construction for \$25,000.00. Motion by DeBoer, supported by Lutke to accept the low bid from B G Building and appoint Mr. Fisher to act as supervisor of the project, approved by roll call vote 4-0. DDA and TIFA have pledged financial support for this project.

**New Business**

- Motion by Heethuis, supported by Lutke to allow NMC to use city streets for their 6K on May 25<sup>th</sup>, approved 4-0.
- Planning Commission would like a special meeting for DDA, TIFA boards and the City Council to present the survey results. Motion by Heuker, supported by Heethuis to hold this special meeting on May 15, 2017, at 7:00pm at the Community Library building.
- DDA has approved the RR Crossing project by the Co op. The repair to the DOT RR crossing on Maple St, the Pine St RR crossing, and asphalt to Euclid St intersection.
- Another street repair project has been referred to the finance committee for consideration.
- Leaf wagon- DDA has agreed to put \$5000.00 towards this purchase and TIFA has agreed to put up to \$20,000.00 towards this purchase. Motion by Heuker, supported by DeBoer to use a portion of the unexpected money from the State of Michigan in the general fund to pay the city portion of this expense.
- Mead and Hunt proposal – Craig will pursue other quotes before council makes a decision.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heethuis to "Opt Out" in regards to PA 152 employee health care costs, approved 4-0.

**Committee Reports and Recommendations**

- Cemetery – inmates from Missaukee jail have helped with clean up, Schut's Buckets have trimmed and cut out dead trees and branches, overgrown shrubs will be removed if council approves. Motion by Lutke, supported by Heuker to allow cemetery committee and DPW to maintain the cemetery per cemetery rules, approved 4-0.
- Flowers – our Beautification Specialist has ordered flowers, DPW will use Roundup on the beds and rototill to prepare the flower beds for planting.
- Clerk will contact the "McBain Days" committee in regards to turning in the records and files to the city.

- Treasurer computer and Water Department Software and Hardware - Motion by Heuker, supported by Heethuis to spend up to \$1800.00 to get this purchase started, approved 4-0.
- EDC – Planning Commission needs to be petitioned to change the ball field property from residential to C-2 commercial. Clerk will write up the petition.
- DeBoer commented on lack of community awareness of our city website.
- Motion by Heuker, supported by Lutke to accept the changes to the purchase agreement on the 4.35 acre piece to extend the completion date to 18 months, approved 4-0.
- Motion by DeBoer, supported by Heuker to accept the Silversmith proposed quote for mapping service for the water/DPW , approved 4-0.
- Need to schedule a combined meeting with TIFA/DDA and the city council to meet with Consumers Power to hear their presentation .
- Motion by Heuker, supported by Lutke to enter Closed Session 9:15, approved by roll call vote 4-0.
- Motion by Heethuis, supported by Lutke to rise from Closed Session 9:42, approved by roll call vote 4-0.
- Motion by Heethuis, supported by Lutke to offer a \$50.00 to American Structures and to determine cost to fix electrical and landscaping and repair the hole in the roof of the new tower caused by faulty installation of electrical, approved 3-1 roll call vote with Heuker casting the dissenting vote.

Meeting adjourned by Mayor at 9:45 pm.

Marcia Smith,  
McBain City Clerk