

Regular Meeting Minutes of the McBain City Council November 13, 2017 - UNAPPROVED

held at the meeting room of the fire barn, 7:00 pm

Present: Dykhouse, D. Heuker, Heethuis, D. Smith, M. Smith, Fisher, King, Kubiak, Lutke, Joey Roberts, Lori Warren,

Absent: DeBoer

Called to Order by Mayor Dykhouse @ 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation by Clark Dykhouse

- Newly elected Mayor Joey Roberts was sworn in, then Clerk Marcia Smith, Treasurer Heidi Heuker, and Council members Don Heuker, Donna Lutke, Doug Smith and Mike Kubiak
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heethuis to honor Clark Dykhouse for his service to the City of McBain during his tenure as Mayor and in his other Committee and Board duties, approved unanimously. "Thank you, Clark!"
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heuker to approve the October minutes, approved 5-0.
- Motion by Heuker, supported by Kubiak to approve October financials and the November amendments, approved 4-1 with Lutke casting the dissenting vote.

Public Input- We received an update from Clark Dykhouse on the Jenkins property. The property was sold at auction at the end of October. Shane Frye is the new owner.

Treasurer Report-

- Clerk will contact Scott Hunter for advice on our unprotected funds information will be forwarded to the Finance chairman.

Fisher/King DPW Report

- Leaf wagon is working very well. Lawn mower has been repaired. Discussion about inside storage for the new wagon. We don't have a building with a door tall enough to fit it inside.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heuker to enter Closed session 7:45pm, approved 5-0. Treasurer and Dykhouse need to stay for the discussion as they have pertinent information to share with council.
- Motion by Heethuis, supported by Heuker to rise from Closed session 8:20pm, approved 5-0.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heuker to have Mayor Roberts contact our Attorney in regards to the communication from Jenkins property to review the document and receive a recommendation for course of action for council, approved 5-0.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heuker to retain Wendling for this issue, approved 5-0.
- Motion by Heethuis, supported by Smith to send Mayor Roberts, Council member Lutke, Dykhouse, Fisher and King to Small Claims court on December 11 to refute claim from American Structures, approved 4-0, with Lutke abstaining.

Old Business

- Cemetery Map and change of layout was discussed

New Business

- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heuker that Christmas decorations for Roland and Maple streets will come from Geers Farm again with \$1000.00 budgeted limit, approved 5-0.
- December 9 will be the Christmas tree lighting with caroling and a Chili cook off. Watch for posters for more information. Council is recommending that lights be removed from the tree by the middle of January.
- Motion by Heethuis, supported by Heuker that Clark Dykhouse be appointed to the EDC for a period of 6 months in a transition/advisory capacity, approved 5-0.
- Motion by Heuker, supported by Smith to request that Dykhouse serve on the DDA/TIFA board, approved 5-0.
- We need another person for Planning Commission to replace Joey Roberts.

Committee Reports and Recommendations

- **Heethuis**, winter rates are in effect for the cemetery.
- **Lutke**, Utility committee is still working to finish 2 accounts in regards to water/sewer rates and billing. Planning Commission and EDC are working with Networks Northwest to do an economic survey. We have received a grant to finance this and hopefully will be ready to send by the end of January.

Adjourned by Mayor Roberts at 9:30pm

Marcia Smith,
McBain City Clerk