

Regular Meeting Minutes of the McBain City Council November 10, 2014  
held at the meeting room of the fire barn.

Present: Dykhouse, Stahl, Heuker, Scholten, DeCator, Heethuis, M. Smith, H. Heuker, Jones, Fisher, Dean Vivian, Tom Vine

Absent: Lutke

Called to Order by Mayor Dykhouse @ 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation by Mayor Dykhouse

- Motion by Heuker, supported by Heuker, to approve October minutes and special meeting minutes, approved 5-0.
- Motion by Heuker, supported by DeCator to approve Financials, approved 5-0.
- Tom Vine discussed a potential contract with the city of McBain in regards to the RR spur. TIFA has granted permission to build on their right-of-way, TIFA contribution of up to \$180,000 (30% of project), Viking would own spur through 2018 with continued use after 2018 when ownership would revert to the city, Viking will contribute \$400,000 for construction and \$100,000 for supplies, the RR is donating a switch off the mainline (approximately \$60,000 value), monthly inspections of rail are necessary and Viking would pay for this through 2018 after that it becomes the responsibility of the city.
- Motion by Heethuis, supported by Heuker to proceed with development of contract with Viking regarding the RR spur, approved 5-0.
- Dean Vivian reported that the Hazardous Waste collection will be Nov 22<sup>nd</sup>. This will be the last time they take old, large computer monitors without added charge. The Memorial Park is just finished and will be dedicated in the spring.
- 80 acre update- consensus was to pursue the opportunities presented

**Fisher Report-** waiting for parts for sewer pump, flushed hydrants and overflowed tower to freshen water supply, information about leasing a tractor from Ellen's Equip @ \$15/work hour up to 200 hours /year. Consensus of council was to go ahead with details to make that happen.

**Michigan Enterprise Report-** Special planning session meeting scheduled for Dec. 1, 2014 @ 7:00pm. Bob will work with Marcia to create a Thank you certificate to the Garden of Wings caretakers for maintaining a beautiful flower garden at Stuart Park.

**Heidi-** hopes to have Website up by first of the year.

#### New Business

- Motion by Heethuis, supported by Heuker to adopt the Resolution to Direct Public Inspection of City Records, approved 5-0. Mollie Whetstone needs this to comply with the Audit of Minimum Assessing Requirements. The state tax commission has chosen McBain to be reviewed as part of the 13/14 audit program.
- Motion by Stahl, supported by Heethuis to approve the budget amendments as presented, approved 5-0.
- Following discussion of bill paying process between TIFA/DDA/City we will continue the current practice.
- Cintas contract for uniforms, etc. will be evaluated by Heethuis and Fisher before we make a commitment.

Meeting adjourned by Mayor @ 8:50pm

Marcia Smith  
McBain City Clerk