

Regular Meeting Minutes of the McBain City Council April 10, 2017  
held at the meeting room of the fire barn, 7:00 pm

Present: Dykhouse, D. Heuker, Kubiak, Heethuis, Lutke, DeBoer, D. Smith, M. Smith, H. Heuker, Fisher, King, Cadillac News Rep, Dean Smallegan (our county commissioner), Rep from Silversmith for water dept software.

Absent: none

Called to Order by Mayor Dykhouse @ 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation by Mayor Dykhouse

- Motion by Smith, supported by Heuker to approve March minutes, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Smith to approve March financials, approved 6-0.

**Public Input-**

- Mayor welcomed Commissioner Smallegan.

**Treasurer Report-**

- Heidi reported her laptop is old and overheating and shutting itself off on occasion. This will be kept in mind as we make preparations for the new water dept computers.
- Mayor reported on the split of the check received from the Local Community Stabilization. It will be divided between TIFA, DDA and the City general fund.

**Fisher/King DPW Report**

- Working with Consumers to correct the voltage problem at Well #5.
- Leaf wagon- prices have been received from Ellen's Equipment for leasing or purchasing a wagon. Motion by Lutke, supported by DeBoer to move forward to start paperwork to make the purchase of the wagon. Approved 6-0.
- Fertilizer prices from Falmouth Co op were received for maintenance of our grassy areas, Motion by Lutke, supported by Heuker to go forward with the crabgrass application and the weed and feed application. Approved 6-0.

**Old Business-**

- Planning Commission – Motion by Heethuis, supported by Kubiak to approve Joey Roberts to a 4 year term, approved 6-0.
- Portable BID - Motion by Heethuis, supported by Heuker to award the bid for the 17/18 year to VanPolen Portables, approved 6-0. Camera surveillance will be increased at the tennis court park.

**New Business**

- Mr. Cook from Silversmith gave a presentation on the water dept. software. The decision to purchase was tabled until our May meeting in order to gather more information.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heuker to accept budget amendments as presented, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by DeBoer to approve the TIFA/DDA proposed budgets for 2017/2018 as presented, approved 6-0.
- BIDS for Labor and Materials for replacing the DPW building roof were opened. Motion by Heethuis, supported by Lutke to table this decision until our May meeting, approved 5-0. Heuker abstained.

**Committee Reports and Recommendations**

- **Utility Committee** – Motion by Heuker, supported by Heethuis to adopt the change in REU calculation for schools, approved 6-0.
- **Labor Committee** – Motion by DeBoer, supported by Smith to hire Russell Westdorp Jr. as our seasonal help for up to 20 hours a week, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Heethuis, supported by Smith to hire Sue Heuker as beautification specialist again this year, Approved 5-0. Heuker abstained. Heethuis will contact her.
- NMC students will help do the cleanup in the cemetery in conjunction with the DPW.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Smith to approve recommendation for Schut's Buckets to do tree trim/removal in the cemetery at cost of \$1000.00 if we haul debris, approved 6-0.
- Unanimous consensus to purchase coveralls for DPW.
- **EDC Committee** – Motion by Heethuis, supported by Smith to refer the zoning classification of the softball field area to the Planning Commission, it needs to be changed from R2 to Transitional. Approved 6-0.
- Clerk - State of Michigan will be implementing new election machines this year. The State purchases the machines and maintains for the first 5 years. Then the maintenance will be negotiated by the State and County.

Meeting adjourned by Mayor at 9:15 pm.

Marcia Smith,  
McBain City Clerk

