

Regular Meeting Minutes of the McBain City Council April 9, 2018
held at the meeting room of the fire barn, 7:00 pm

Present: Mayor Roberts, D. Heuker, Heethuis, D. Smith, Kubiak, Heethuis, Lutke, Warren, M Smith, H. Heuker, Jay Bronkema, Craig Fisher, Mike King, Craig Shore, Shawn Murphy, 11 NMC students, Karen Usher from Cadillac News, Shane Frye and family.

Called to Order by Mayor Roberts @ 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation by Chuck Heethuis

- **Motion** by Lutke, supported by Heuker to approve the amended agenda, approved 6-0.
- **Minutes:** Motion by Lutke, supported by Smith to approve the March minutes as amended, approved 6-0.
- **Financials:** Motion by Lutke, supported by Heuker to approve the March financials as presented, approved 6-0.
- **Treasurer Report-** tax settlement is completed with the county.
- **Clerk Report** –tickets available for the fundraiser for Bill Schutte May 17, 2018.

Public input

- Craig Shore Carwash appeal- Mr. Shore was given 5 minutes to appeal the council's decision that he, as owner of the carwash, is responsible for sand entering into the city sewer system and therefore is required to pay for cleanup fees.
- Motion by Heuker to deny Mr. Shore's appeal, supported by Lutke was approved unanimously, 6-0.
- NMC 3 students requested permission to use city streets for their color run on May 23, 2018. Motion by Heethuis, supported by Lutke to allow NMC to use city streets for their run, approved 6-0.
- Shawn Murphy presented a request from the McBain PTO to acknowledge that they are a non-profit group fundraising for the McBain School. Motion by Heuker, supported by Heethuis to acknowledge and allow non-profit status for the McBain PTO, approved 6-0.

Fisher/King DPW Report

- **Meeting** Wednesday with Ed Kidson regarding water quality issues.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heuker to empower DPW to get drawings and recommendation for what we need to build a flush system so that we can get bids before next month, approved 6-0.
- **Motion** by Lutke, supported by Smith to get Grand Traverse Communications to come in and finish the telemetry work so that part of our water system is up and running, approved 5-1, Heuker dissenting.
- Heuker wants numbers first before we get the work done. Lutke amended the motion to get the numbers from Grand Traverse Communications for the work on the telemetry system and then after written council approval get it fixed, supported by Heuker, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Heuker, supported by Kubiak to send a letter of dissatisfaction to Challenger Automation for work not completed that includes a prohibition from city work in the future and gives notice for possible legal action to recoup our cost, approved 6-0.
- Side by Side- we will get BIDS from 3 dealerships before we choose a machine for the seasonal work, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Heuker, supported by Smith to allow DPW to do the fertilizing using the same 5 step program that was used last year, approved 6-0
- King reported on the condition of the Ice Rink and all of the leakage that occurred. It needs some maintenance work.

Old Business

- Cemetery Map –Heethuis gave a progress report. He wants to work on getting transfers made to the people who are actually intending to use the graves. Motion by Heuker, supported by Lutke to waive transfer fees until January 1, 2019 so we can get the assignments made. Approved 6-0.
- Heuker and Heethuis will schedule a meeting with Richland and Riverside townships to discuss rent for fire department space and other issues involved in covering expenses.

New Business

- Motion by Lutke, supported by Smith to approve Marcia Smith, Heidi Heuker, Radeana Walhout and Faye Lutke as Election Inspectors for the May 8, 2018 election, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Smith, supported by Heuker to accept the 17/18 budget amendments for April as presented, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Smith, supported by Heuker to approve the site plan as recommended by the Planning Commission for the corner of Pine and Maple, approved 6-0. Shane Frye and his family were present to answer any questions that the council may have had.

Mayor report

- **Biewer** project is moving forward and they hope to be started by mid May. Biewer's bought the TJ Trucking lot in the industrial park.
- Herb Bronkema asked for approval of Shannon Smith as a new member on the DDA/TIFA board. Motion by Lutke, supported by Heethuis to approve the appointment of Shannon Smith to the DDA/TIFA board, approved 6-0.
- TIFA/DDA has changed their meeting date to the 4th Monday of the month instead of the 3rd. They will continue to meet at the community library.
- We have received "notice to close" on the 4.35 acres, scheduled for end of April.

- EDC met with Networks Northwest on April 5

Committee Reports and Recommendations

- Lutke- the surveys are mailed back to Networks Northwest for compilation. The timeline for the new Master Plan approval is Oct/Nov so that we can take advantage of the next round to grant applications.
- Smith- McBain Days are in the planning stage.
- Motion by Heethuis, supported by Kubiak to approve our seasonal help according to the same guidelines as last year, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Smith, supported by Lutke to approve the flower purchase, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Heethuis, supported by Kubiak to extend Clark Dykhousé's time on the EDC for 6 more months, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heethuis to enter Closed Session(9:00) to discuss pending litigation, approved by roll call vote 6-0.
- Regular Session resumed (9:25)
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heethuis to send a letter to Mr. Shore to pay the entire amount due prior to May 15, 2018 or the utilities will be shut off, approved 6-0.

Adjourned at 9:35 by Mayor Roberts

Marcia Smith,
McBain City Clerk