

Regular Meeting Minutes of the McBain City Council July 8, 2019  
held at the meeting room of the fire station, 7:00 pm

Present: Mayor Roberts, D. Heuker, Warren, D. Smith, Kubiak, Heethuis, Lutke, M. Smith, H. Heuker, Craig Fisher, Mike King, Chase Barber

Absent: none

Called to Order by Mayor Roberts at 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation by Heethuis

- Motion by Lutke, supported by Kubiak to approve the agenda, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heethuis to approve the June 20, 2019 minutes, approved 6-0.

**Treasurer Report:** nothing

**Clerk Report:** Motion by Lutke, supported by Smith to name the City of McBain as owner of the new bank account for the Section 125 Plan and list Marcia Smith and Heidi Heuker as signers for this account, approved 6-0.

A complaint was received about wood chip littering along M-66. Mayor Roberts will follow up on this report.

Reminder to turn in election filing paperwork before July 23, 2019 at 4:00pm

**Public input – None**

**Fisher/King DPW Report**

- 3 water leaks were fixed with new pipes
- Sewer motor is being replaced, and the main lift station has been repaired
- Fryes Gas and Grocery is open with the Grand Opening scheduled for July 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019
- Motion by Heuker, supported by Lutke to make them a welcome plaque from the City, approved 6-0.
- Culvert crossing Stoney Corner Rd has been replaced and the pavement repaired
- Wiring issue with the Scag mower is being fixed
- Flowers will be cleaned up before McBain Heritage Days

**Old Business-**Motion by Heuker, supported by Smith to table the Metro Act action until the July 18 meeting pending attorney opinion.

**Zoning Report –** our new Zoning Officer Chase Barber had some questions about what the council was expecting from him regarding his new position.

**Mayor's Report**

- 80 Acres was surveyed, and we had an inquiry from Michigan Lumber and Wood Fiber about purchase for a sawmill operation. Motion by Lutke, supported by Heuker to authorize the mayor to have further conversation and bring back information regarding questions the council had, approved 6-0.

**Committee Reports and Recommendations**

- Smith -Utility Committee – problems with the Carwash runoff in the sewer system again. Motion by Lutke, supported by Heuker to send a certified letter stating that the open bay drain must be sealed immediately to prevent storm water from entering the sewer system, sand will be cleaned out at the owner's expense and a \$500.00/day fine will be assessed, approved 6-0.
- Water breaks and the USDA process will mandate an increase in water usage fees next year. Notice will be sent out in November and that will also include monthly billing beginning sometime next year. Software for the utility billing will be researched.
- McBain Heritage Days planning is complete, and we are looking forward to a fun event on July 19,20 and 21. Donations have exceeded the expectations of the committee and we have many vendors signed up for Saturday. Thank you so much to all the Sponsors for this festival! Thank you also to our Committee for all your hard work and organization!
- Lutke- Planning Commission – Holdship Funeral Home presented a request for a new digital sign for the funeral home on Maple St. They are requesting a variance for the location. Motion by Heuker, supported by Kubiak to deny the request based on concerns for the size and visibility in the road right of way, approved 6-0.
- Heuker – Labor committee- letter of agreement between Fisher and the City, Motion by Heuker, supported by Kubiak to accept the committee's proposal for Temporary Consultant to the DPW and authorize the Mayor to sign, to be renegotiated at the end of the year, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Smith supported by Heethuis to approve the adjustments to the requirements for vacation pay for Mike King for the 19/20 fiscal year because of additional responsibilities and training and authorize the Mayor to sign, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Smith, supported by Kubiak to approve a new contract for Mike King retroactive to June 3, 2019 and for the remainder of 19/20 fiscal year with the amendments discussed, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Smith, supported by Kubiak to authorize Russ Westdorp for 20 hours per week until November 1<sup>st</sup>, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heuker to BID the roof replacement for the building at the sewer ponds, approved 6-0.

Mayor Roberts adjourned the meeting at 9:50pm.

Marcia Smith,  
McBain City Clerk

