

Regular Meeting Minutes of the McBain City Council March 9, 2015
held at the meeting room of the fire barn.

Present: Dykhouse, Stahl, Heuker, Scholten, DeCator, Heethuis, Lutke, M. Smith, H. Heuker, Jones, Fisher, and Danay Tossey, Steve Elenbaas, Jennifer Peterson, Jill Reynolds, students from NMC

Absent: none

Called to Order by Mayor Dykhouse @ 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation by Mayor Dykhouse

- Motion by Lutke, supported by Stahl to approve February minutes, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Stahl, supported by Lutke to approve Financials, approved 6-0.
- Heidi – needs address for Jenkins Oil, website committee will formulate guidelines for website additions.

Public Input

- Danay Tossey presented her approved plan from DDA and the Planning commission for the coffee shop.
- Motion by Heethuis, supported by Scholten to accept her business plan as presented, Lutke amended motion to add a bond for the sidewalk restructure (DDA will pay any bond cost that exceeds \$200.00); amendment approved 5-1 with Heethuis casting the dissenting vote.
- Motion by Heethuis, supported by Scholten to accept the plan with the amendment, approved unanimously.
- Welcome Cornerstone Coffee Company to McBain!
- Jill Reynolds introduced herself as our rep from Waste Management, answered questions and handed out business cards with contact information.
- Motion by Lutke, supported by Heethuis that the assignment agreement will be scanned to council members for review by utility committee and the mayor has permission to sign if approved by committee, approved 6-0.
- **Fisher Report-** Planning commission is working on 2 new documents for zoning ordinance. Transitional District will be holding a public hearing at the planning commission level. Ordinance review will be done by Ordinance Committee along with clarifying Planning commission terms, and number of members.
- **Michigan Enterprise Report-** Jones presented the TIFA/DDA proposed budgets for 2015/16 adjustments were made to reflect the tax deposit increasing the checkbook balance to \$378,000 and the business development expense to \$88,000. Motion by Stahl, supported by Heethuis to approve the budgets, approved 6-0.
- TIFA Plan Amendment presented, public meeting will be April 13 @ 7:00pm with the public hearing immediately following. Wording change (delete “will” and insert “may”) for the Manager of the TIFA plan. Motion by Heuker, supported by Stahl to approve the resolution, approved 6-0.

New Business

- Motion by Stahl, supported by Heuker to approve the proposed budget for the City of McBain with correction made to balance rent expenses from the different accounts to the rent income in the general ; approved 6-0.
- Labor/Finance presented the job description for DPW opening. Motion by Stahl, supported by Decator to approve the job description and have the committee move forward to develop the job posting and cover letter, approved 6-0.
- Motion by Heethuis, supported by Decator to hire Sue Heuker for seasonal flower work \$10.00/ hour, permission to order flowers, use student help to plant and do pizza/pop lunch, approved 5-0, Heuker abstained.
- Motion by Heethuis, supported by Decator to hire Randy Bogard for seasonal cemetery/spring cleanup work \$10.00, hours at discretion of Mayor and Craig, approved 6-0.
- Heethuis wants the meeting room cleaned prior to meetings.
- Ken – research the gas price and make sure we are getting the best price.
- Bernie- a couple businesses asking about utility bills
- Clerk- resident information letter input, election work is starting, Ellens’ dinner invitation, request from Sherry Blaszak for letter to include in grant application to increase recycling availability, consensus was No Thanks.
- Adjourned @ 10:05pm by Mayor Dykhouse

Marcia Smith, McBain City Clerk

