

**Barrett City Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, April 14, 2014**  
**6:30 p.m.**  
**Barrett City Office**

Present: Mayor-Troy Johnson; Council-Todd Lang, Kathy Wevley, Jason Wendt; Clerk/Treasurer-Marita Rhude; Fire Department: Dave Lien, Jr, Jason Puchalski, Susie Sieben.  
Absent: Council- Derek Getz; Maintenance-Gerald Puchalski.

Mayor Johnson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

Additions to the agenda: Getz Council Seat. Wevley made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Lang. MCU

Lang made a motion to approve the minutes of the March 13<sup>th</sup> and April 7<sup>th</sup> meetings, seconded by Wendt. MCU

Dave Lien, Jr. visited with the council on a number of Fire Department issues. It was decided to put internet access in the Fire hall and look into the possibility of sharing that connection with the Community Center when needed. The Fire Department will be hosting a Regional Firefighters meeting in October in Barrett, weather permitting they would like to use the Pavilion and will use the Community as a backup plan. A number of budgetary items were also discussed.

Dean Sternhagen had requested to be on the Agenda about his Ag land taxes but was unable to attend. The council did discuss this and Johnson and Lang are going to do some additional research into this subject.

Wevley made a motion to hire Tony Ray to be the Pavilion Cleaner/Caretaker at \$25 per hour, seconded by Lang. MCU

Lien Township requested that the council offer them a 3 year Fire Contract. Johnson made a motion to offer them a contract for 2015 at an increase of 3% over the 2014 amount, seconded by Wevley. MCU

City Cleanup day was discussed. It was decided to continue to offer a free City Cleanup day in May.

Derek Getz's council seat was discussed; due to a job change he has been unable to attend meetings. Under MN Statute 412.02, subd. 2b, 90-day absence rule, the council may declare a vacancy and fill the position after 90 days of absence until he is able to resume his duties. Mayor Johnson will discuss this with Getz and see if he wants to resign his position first before this step is taken.

Wevley made a motion to accept a \$600 donation from the Barrett Fire Relief Association for the Barrett First Responders, seconded by Wendt. MCU

Lang made a motion to pay bills in the amount of \$21,190.99, seconded by Wendt. MCU

Wendt made a motion to adjourn at 8:05 p.m., seconded by Lang. MCU

Marita Rhude  
Clerk/Treasurer