

**Barrett City Council Meeting Minutes**  
**Monday, August 13, 2012**  
**6:30 p.m. – Barrett City Office**

Present: Mayor-Troy Johnson; Council-Todd Lang, Derek Getz, Earl Janshen; Clerk/Treasurer-Marita Rhude; Maintenance-Gerald Puchalski; City Attorney-Kent Marshall.

Absent: Council-Deborah Nelson Pick.

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

Lang made a motion to approve the agenda as amended, seconded by Getz. MCU

Getz made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 9th meeting, seconded by Janshen MCU

Getz made a motion to approve a variance for Kyle and Angela Anderson to locate a seasonal dwelling unit in the form of a trailer on said property described in the Variance, seconded by Lang. MCU

Kent Marshall asked the council about replacing the back step of the office building as it is in very bad shape. It was decided that Gerald will build one to match the front step as this is a general maintenance issue.

Janshen made a motion to approve the Propane Contract for the 2012-2013 heating season with Haley Oil Company for 4,600 gallons at \$1.24 per gallon, seconded by Getz. MCU

Council discussed the possibility of hiring Johnson Frykman Lawn Care to do the lawn mowing next year. Gerald had them do the mowing 2 times so they could get a better idea what is involved. They have come with a price of \$280 per time mowing the City. The Council looked at our actual current costs of mowing and compared these numbers. It was decided that they would like to see a contract from Johnson Frykman Lawn Care for the 2013 mowing season and hope to have this for next month's meeting.

Getz made a motion to hire Kyle Weets for snow removal for the 2012-2013 season at the rate of \$3,000 per month from October 15, 2012 to April 15, 2013 to include up to 45 inches of plowable snow and \$400 per inch over the 45 inches, seconded by Janshen. MCU

Council discussed the 2013 budget and preliminary levy. It was decided to hold a Special Council Meeting to go over and discuss the budget on Wednesday, August 29<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at the City Office.

Gerald discussed the Water Treatment Plant with the council. The treatment plant is over 10 years old and the media in the filters at some point either needs to be replaced or reconditioned. Gerald would like to have a test done on the media to see its condition, the test costs \$500. This test will tell us the condition of our media and whether or not we can recondition it now to save it or if it will have to be totally replaced in the future. Council said to get the test done and then we can come up with a plan and budget accordingly for this.

Janshen made a motion to pay bills in the amount of \$25,651.72, seconded by Getz. MCU

Johnson made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Getz.

MCU

Marita Rhude  
Clerk/Treasurer