

Barrett City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, December 13, 2021
5:30 p.m.
Barrett City Office

Present: Mayor- Michelle Jenson; Council-Chery Simpson, Jodi Moss, Aaron Ray, Tim Lasch; Clerk/Treasurer-Marita Rhude; Maintenance-Jason Wendt; Visitors: Bruce Olson

Mayor Jenson called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Ray made a motion to approve the minutes of the November 8th meeting, seconded by Simpson. MCU

Project Update: The Water Meter project is out for bids, bid opening is January 6, 2022, at 1:30 p.m. The water filters at the Water Treatment Plant will be sandblasted and painted next week.

Council discussed what to do with the property at 113 Rich Ave. now that it is owned by the City. City agreed that the property should be cleaned out. City will get some quotes for clean out before next month's meeting.

Moss made a motion to renew Brothers Market Off-Sale Liquor License, Prairie Wind Players Wine and 3.2 On-Sale License, and Rumor Has It On-Sale Liquor License for 2022, seconded by Lasch. MCU

Lasch moved to resolve to accept the redistribution of unrequested Coronavirus Local Fiscal Recovery Fund established under the American Rescue Plan Act in the amount of \$1,410.34, seconded by Simpson. Roll Call Vote: Jenson-yes, Moss-yes, Lasch-yes, Ray-yes, Simpson-yes

Moss made a motion to approve the 2022 General Fund Budget of \$279,660.00, seconded by Ray. MCU
Lasch moved to resolve approving the final tax Levy for 2022 at \$172,946.00, seconded by Simpson. Roll Call Vote: Jenson-yes, Moss-yes, Lasch-yes, Ray-yes, Simpson-yes

Ray made a motion to approve the Water Fund Budget of \$190,990.00 and set the 2022 water rate at \$35.25 base (includes 1,000 gallons of water), plus \$6.00 per 1,000 gallons and bulk water at \$20.00 per 1,000 gallons, seconded by Moss. MCU

Simpson made a motion to approve the Sewer Fund Budget of 133,227.00 and set the 2022 sewer rate at \$30.00 base, plus \$6.00 per 1,000 gallons, seconded by Jenson. MCU

Simpson moved to resolve to certify past due utility billings to the Grant County Auditor for collection with the 2022 Property Taxes as presented, if not paid by December 31, 2021, seconded by Lasch. Roll Call Vote: Jenson-yes, Ray-yes, Lasch-yes, Moss-yes, Simpson-yes.

Simpson made a motion to authorize Michelle Jenson to sign the Auditor engagement letter with Brian D. Koehn, CPA from Parkers Prairie, Minnesota at a rate not to exceed \$15,150 for the 2021 audit, seconded by Moss. MCU

The Darin Olson property at 426 County Road 2 was given until November 15th to make improvements. Council instructed City Clerk to contact Mark Haberer about enforcing the Administrative Fine Ordinance.

Lasch moved to resolve to express acceptance of and appreciation for the donation to the Barrett Pavilion from Kathryn Braaten, Laila Hedstrom and Diann Giese in the amount of \$310, seconded by Moss. Roll Call Vote: Jenson-Yes, Moss-Yes, Ray-Yes, Lasch-Yes, Simpson-Yes

Moss made a motion to pay bills in the amount of \$399,391.30, check #19355 to Check #19383, seconded by Ray. Noting that future Fire Department clothing purchases should be approved by the City prior to purchasing.
MCU

Lasch made a motion to adjourn at 6:45 p.m., seconded by Simpson. MCU

Respectfully Submitted _____ Marita Rhude, Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by _____ Michelle Jenson, Mayor