

Barrett City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 11, 2015
6:30 p.m.
Barrett City Office

Present: Mayor-Les Alvstad; Council-Todd Lang, Kathy Wevley, Jason Wendt, Brian Tucker; Clerk/Treasurer-Marita Rhude; Maintenance-Gerald Puchalski; Guests: Dwight Walvantee, Troy Langlie, Todd Schneeberger.

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

Lang made a motion to approve the agenda as amended with the addition of the Local User Group, seconded by Wevley. MCU

Tucker made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 13th meeting, seconded by Lang. MCU

Dwight Walvantee, Troy Langlie and Todd Schneeberger were present to review issues with the Grant County Sheriff's Contract. Discussion on problems, staff changes at the Sheriff's Office, and additional duties the Sheriff's Office will be performing were all discussed. Keeping lines of communication open is a key in both sides getting the most out of the contract.

Wendt made a motion to approve the Temporary On-Sale Liquor Licenses for the Barrett Fire Department for Saturday, June 20th and Friday & Saturday, June 26 & 27, seconded by Tucker. MCU

Gerald updated the council on a problem that occurred at the Water Treatment Plant last week. A hole was blown through the pipe coming off one of the filters and water was spraying all over inside the treatment plant and caused damage to a number of items. A temporary patch has been put on but it is still slightly leaking. The computer control panel went out due to water damage, so Gerald is manually running the plant. An insurance claim has been opened and the adjustor has been out. The broken pipe is not covered under insurance but the damage that it caused is covered. Rented dehumidifiers were brought in to help dry out the plant. The pipe that has the hole in is welded to the filter and there is no bypass. To repair the damage the plant will need to be shut down and a bypass installed. The plant is 15 years old and when it is shut down there are some other repairs that we should also do at that time. Municipal Services gave a bid to fix the damaged pipe and it was \$8,400, which is not covered by insurance. With some of the other repairs needed it is estimated to cost around \$10,000. Contingency Fund money will need to be used to cover these repairs as there is not money in the budget to cover these expenses.

Gerald also reported that he was unable to get the fishing pier moved due to a bent pin that he can't get removed from ice damage. He has contacted the DNR and they will be coming down to help him get the pin removed and then they help him get it set up.

The City of Barrett's representatives for the Local User Group are out of date. Troy Johnson, Derek Getz and Earl Janshen should be removed and add Jason Wendt and Brian Tucker to the list.

Lang made a motion to accept donations from Verna Comer for \$3,000 for perpetual care at the Cemetery, Elk Lake Township for \$850 for the first responders, and \$450 from the BFDRA for the Barrett Flames, seconded by Wevley. MCU

Lang made a motion to pay bills with the addition of Soberg's Standard in the amount of \$238.98 for a grand total of \$39,977.96, seconded by Tucker. MCU

Lang made a motion to adjourn at 7:52 p.m., seconded by Wendt. MCU

Marita Rhude
Clerk/Treasurer