

Barrett City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, May 9, 2016
6:30 p.m.
Barrett City Office

Present: Mayor-Les Alvstad; Council-Todd Lang, Brian Tucker, Kathy Wevley, Jason Wendt; Clerk/Treasurer-Marita Rhude; Maintenance-Gerald Puchalski; Guests: Monte Eastvold-Northland Securities; Bollig Inc.-Brian Bollig, Joe Gisme, Jonathan Fleck; Joyce Hanson; Rural MN Water-Aaron Meyer; Grant County Soil &Water-Joe Montonye; John Hanson, Betty DeClercq.

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

Joyce Hanson comment on the C & C wanting to put their storage building convenient to the park.

Wevley made a motion to approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Lang. MCU

Lang made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 11, 2016 Regular Meeting and Board of Review Meeting, seconded by Wendt. MCU

Monte Eastvold from Northland Securities was present give the council the final numbers on the refunding of bond summary, with the new number being refinanced as \$1,215,000.

Tucker moved to resolve to provide for the issuance and sale of \$1,215,000 General Obligation Water Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2016A and pledging for the security thereof net revenues, seconded by Lang. Roll Call Vote: Alvstad-yes, Tucker-yes, Wendt-yes, Wevley-yes, Lang-yes

Tucker made a motion to authorize Northland Securities to issue \$1,215,000 General Obligation Water Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2016A to be dated June 15, 2016 and to mature January 1, 2043, seconded by Lang. MCU

Tucker made a motion to adopt the Government Bonds Post-Issuance Compliance Policy and Procedures, seconded by Lang. MCU

Brian Bollig, of Bollig Engineering, gave a presentation to the council on our current water and sewer and storm sewer infrastructure, reviewed needs/costs, reviewed funding considerations, and identified the next steps. Design plan will include everything that needs to be done, and then it can be scale back if needed, doesn't work to add things in later. Some milestones that have been reached are the Preliminary Engineering Report 12/14/15, Sanitary Sewer PPL 2/29/16, and Drinking Water PPL 5/4/16. Next step is to finalize Preliminary Engineering Report later this year.

Aaron Meyer, from MN Rural Water, gave the council a quick background on why we have a Well Head Protection and how it works. 1st part – where our water comes from and where it is vulnerable, 2nd part – how to manage potential containment sources and how you will respond to it. We have a mixed Well Head Area with 3 vulnerability levels: L-Low Vulnerability, M-Moderate Vulnerability, H- High Vulnerability. He explained there are grant funds available, twice yearly, for items identified in your well head plan. There is

another grant for things not identified in your plan but that would protect your source water, however this is a matching grant up to \$10,000.

Joe Montonye, from Grant County Soil & Water, explained what has been done with REM & WRP permanent easements in our high vulnerability area, in the agriculture area. What can be done in the City of Barrett to help? Cities have more run off than agriculture land because of more roofs, pavement and tend to contain more contaminants. Rain gardens and rain barrels can slow down this runoff into the lake. He explained why the Pavilion landscape project was done and how it was effective in stopping erosion of the shoreline, he explained that the City of Barrett is responsible for the maintenance of this area. Joe explained that there are grant funds available through their Grant County Soil & Water program. Barrett has done a number of items already to protect water: 1. installed a storm water holding pond; 2. Established an environmental learning center at WCA Schools. He feels that the City of Barrett has been a leader in doing good things for our water should continue to do things to protect our water.

John Hanson explained that he purchased 308 2nd Street and is remodeling it. He is planning to start a restaurant/bar in this location. He wants to run a small upscale business with seating area for about 25 people to include a family atmosphere. He would serve wraps/burgers/pastas/pizzas all homemade using all fresh ingredients. He would like to open by the end of summer or early fall. He plans to have business hours 7 days a week. He is interested in a liquor license. Barrett's current Liquor Ordinance only allows for 1 On-Sale license at this time, however, State law allows them to issue 3 On-Sale licenses. He requested that the Council consider changing the Liquor Ordinance to allow him to apply for a Liquor License for his business.

Tucker made a motion to instruct City Attorney, Kent Marshall, to update our Liquor Ordinance with new law changes and to include being able to issue 3 On-sale licenses as allowed by law, seconded by Wevley. MCU

John Hanson was also interested in putting a deck on this property at 308 2nd Street. The old deck that was on the house sat partially on City of Barrett property and he tore it off without with plans to put a new one on. He is interesting in putting on a deck for outside seating. There were questions about if an easement was given to the property when the original deck was put on or not. It was decided to check into if an easement was filed at the county or not and revisit this issue after that information is known.

Wendt made a motion to approve the Assessor's Contract with Grant County from May 1, 2016 to May 1, 2018 for \$8.00 per non-commercial property and \$15.50 per commercial parcel, seconded by Tucker. MCU

Wevley made a motion to approve an On Sale Temporary Liquor License for the Barrett Fire Department for 6/18/16 and 6/24/16-6/25/16, seconded Wendt. MCU

Council again discussed the request from the C & C to put a storage building at the Community Center. The council agreed that they were staying with their original decision that they could use a section at the storage building but did not want them putting a storage building at the Community Center.

Gerald is currently discharging the ponds, has done some painting on the Pavilion and picnic tables. Gerald can't be at the City Clean-up day this Thursday and needs someone to cover it for him. Alvstad and Lang will cover the clean-up.

Marita reported that we will be hosting a Rain Garden Seminar on Saturday, May 21 at the Community Center at 9:30 a.m. and encourage Council members to attend. Marita ask if the Council wanted her to do a pre-application with Rural Development to find out if we will qualify to get a Community Facilities loan for the upcoming Rescue Vehicle that the Fire Department plans to buy. Council told her to submit the pre-application form.

Lang made a motion to accept the donations of \$1,500 from Barrett Fire Relief to put towards the Rescue Vehicle and an \$850 donation from Elk Lake Township for the First Responders, seconded by Wevley. MCU

Alvstad made a motion to pay bills in the amount of \$40,904.16, seconded by Tucker. MCU

Wendt made a motion to adjourn at 9:21 p.m., seconded by Tucker. MCU

Marita Rhude
Clerk/Treasurer