

Barrett City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, November 14, 2022
5:30 p.m.
Barrett City Office

Present: Mayor-Michelle Jenson; Council-Aaron Ray, Tim Lasch, Jodi Moss; Clerk/Treasurer-Marita Rhude; Maintenance-Jason Wendt. Guests: Cheri Simpson, Joyce Hanson

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

Visitor Comment: Joyce Hanson – Pavilion Board update. The building and bids committee has no one in charge and they are unable to find someone to head it up. Next Pavilion Board meeting is tomorrow.

Lasch made a motion to approve the agenda as presented with Fire Chief update added, seconded by Moss. MCU

Lasch made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 11, 2022, council meeting, with change under maintenance update to motor instead of pump, seconded by Moss. MCU

Council reviewed an update from Bollig Inc: Infrastructure project Change Order #4 is still waiting on Northdale to agree to quantities. Water Meter Project will require a Change Order #4 extending final completion to January 13, 2023, to allow time for the printer to ship. The extra work at the Water Plant has been approved by Rural Development and the project is moving forward.

Lasch made a motion to approve Change Order #4 for the Water Meter project extending the final completion to January 13, 2023, seconded by Moss. MCU

Moss moved to resolve to certify the result of the Tuesday, November 2, 2022, General Election. Official election results for the offices of Council Member for a 4-year term beginning in 2023 shall be Katie Hauglie and Aaron Ray and Council Member for a 2-year term beginning in 2023 shall be Susie Sieben, for the office of Mayor for a 2-year term beginning in 2023 shall be Michelle Jenson, seconded by Lasch. Roll Call Vote: Lasch-yes, Moss-yes, Ray-yes, Jenson-yes

Rodger Smith at 809 Spruce Ave. is asking the City to work with him on having the property line changed on the south side of his property. Upon advice of the City Attorney, the council will not be involved.

The City of Barrett has not increased their contribution to employee health insurance since 2009. Lasch made a motion to increase the City contribution for health insurance by 10%, seconded by Ray. MCU

Council discussed some budget considerations. The final levy must be set in December. It was decided to use the Runestone Telecom Capital Credit of \$6,709.93 towards the 2023 Budget.

Council received a written update from Jason Puchalski, Fire Chief. Moss made a motion to appoint Tyler Bopp to the Fire Department, seconded Ray. MCU

Unfinished business: Dean Ladwig uncapped well on his property. City Attorney advised that we make him cap the well. Darrin Olson property.

Maintenance Update: Well #4 was pulled in early November, council saw pictures of the condition. Jason request to do online training that can substitute of experience time towards his water license. For every 90 hours of training, it cuts off 3 months towards his certification. He would like to complete 180 hours over the winter, which will allow him to take his water license in March of 2023. Council agreed that he should do this.

Lasch moved to resolve to express acceptance of and appreciation for the donations to the City of Barrett, seconded by Ray. Roll Call Vote: Lasch-yes, Moss-yes, Ray-yes, Jenson-yes

Moss made a motion to pay bills in the amount of \$47,670.22, check #19696 to Check #19722, seconded by Ray. MCU

Lasch made a motion to adjourn at 6:15 p.m., seconded by Moss. MCU

Respectfully Submitted _____ Marita Rhude, Clerk/Treasurer

Approved by _____ Michelle Jenson, Mayor