

Barrett City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 12, 2016
6:30 p.m.
Barrett City Office

Present: Mayor-Les Alvstad; Council-Todd Lang, Kathy Wevley, Jason Wendt; Clerk/Treasurer-Marita Rhude; Maintenance-Gerald Puchalski; Guests: Roger Smith, Earl Janshen, Kyle Weets, Kent Marshall.

Absent: Council- Brian Tucker.

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

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

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Lang made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 8, 2016 regular meeting, seconded by Wendt. MCU

Kent Marshall, City Attorney, was present to advise the Council on how to proceed with the Dean Sternhagen property that he plans to file for detachment from the City. Neighboring communities have recently been dealing with this same situation. There are criteria on whether a parcel can be opted out or not. The City has three options: they can let him opt out, they can enter into some kind of compromise agreement with them, or they can say no and there would be a hearing with the Board of Adjustments. This land was originally annexed into the City back when the City formed a municipal liquor store. The question is do they receive any benefits from the City? On advice of Kent Marshall, City Attorney, the Council agreed to provide them the requested documents and inform them that we are not interested in agreeing to a detachment.

The City received no bids for snow removal. Kyle Weets was present and explained that he was not interested in doing an hourly snow removal bid and why. He asked if the council is really set on an hourly bid what were the guidelines going to be for removal.

Wendt made a motion to hire Weets Custom Services for snow removal for the 2016-2017 year (October 15, 2016 to April 15, 2017) at \$18,000 to include a cap of 45" of plowable snow and an additional fee of \$400 per inch, seconded by Wevley.

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Wevley made a motion to approve the Dissemination Agent Agreement with Northland Securities for \$435, seconded by Lang.

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Council discussed budget items.

Lang moved to resolve to set the preliminary tax levy for 2017 at \$213,869.98, seconded by Wendt. Roll Call Vote: Alvstad-yes, Lang-yes, Wevley-yes, Wendt-yes.

Turnout Gear Lockers: Dave Lien, Jr., Fire Chief requested to use surplus budget funds to purchase new turnout gear lockers. The Barrett Flames has been fundraising to help with this project and has \$2,200 to use toward the project. The cost of the lockers is \$5,000. Council was ok with this as long as it stays within the current budget.

Wevley made a motion to accept the donation for \$250 from Runestone Telephone for the Fire Department, seconded by Lang.

MCU

Lang made a motion to pay bills in the amount of \$16,536.21, seconded by Wendt.

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Wendt made a motion to adjourn at 7:55 p.m., seconded by Lang.

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Marita Rhude
Clerk/Treasurer