

Barrett City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 8, 2014
6:30 p.m.
Barrett City Office

Present: Mayor-Troy Johnson; Council-Todd Lang, Kathy Wevley, Jason Wendt, Brian Tucker;
Clerk/Treasurer-Marita Rhude; Maintenance-Gerald Puchalski; Guests: Les Alvstad, Bruce Olson, Nikki Tucker.

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

Visitor Comments: Bruce Olson questioned zoning permit fees in conjunction with housing rehabilitation grants. He also questioned the zoning on the lot that Barrett Farm Supply recently tore down the house on.

Lang made a motion to approve the agenda as amended with the addition of the Rescue Truck, seconded by Wevley. MCU

Lang made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 11th & August 18th meetings, seconded by Wevley. MCU

Nikki Tucker told the council that she had requested the opportunity to speak with the Fire Chief and Officers in her own defense against the disciplinary action taken by the Fire Department for violating the chain of command. On July 9th she sent an email to Chief Lien and Officers and as of today had not been granted that meeting. She felt that she was harshly punished for something that she had no prior knowledge was against the chain of command. The Council felt that this should try to be resolved within the Fire Department. Instructed Clerk to send Chief Lien and Officers letter requesting that they tried to get this resolved before next month's meeting.

Wevley made a motion to approve a 3 year Contract with Grant County for Law Enforcement for \$32,919.92 for 2015, \$33,742.91 for 2016, and \$34,586.48 for 2017, seconded by Wendt. MCU

Tucker made a motion to approve the Health Insurance Renewal with Lakes Country Service Cooperative at a 0% increase over last year, seconded by Lang. MCU

Snow Removal was discussed. Wendt made a motion to contract with Kyle Weets for snow removal from October 15, 2014 to April 15, 2015 for \$18,000 for up to 45 inches of plowable snow, seconded by Tucker. MCU

Council reviewed a letter from the Barrett Fire Department about a request to begin looking for a new rescue truck. The council agreed to leave the full vehicle line item in the 2015 budget but was not willing to take out a second loan for the Fire Department. So until the current Fire Truck loan is paid off they want to hold off looking for a new rescue truck.

Lang moved to resolve that the following sums of money be levied for the year 2015 upon the taxable property in the City of Barrett \$217,457.58 (a 0% increase over 2014), seconded by Wevley. Roll Call Vote: Lang-yes, Wevley-yes, Wendt-yes, Tucker-yes, Johnson-yes

Tucker made a motion to pay bills in the amount of \$21,354.28, seconded by Wendt.

MCU

Wendt made a motion to adjourn at 7:35 p.m., seconded by Tucker.

MCU

Marita Rhude
Clerk/Treasurer