

Barrett City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 11, 2017
6:30 p.m.
Barrett City Office

Present: Council-Todd Lang, Earl Janshen, Brian Tucker; Clerk/Treasurer-Marita Rhude; Maintenance-Gerald Puchalski; Guests: John Hanson, Tina Lindquist, Warren Dahlen.
Absent: Mayor-Les Alvstad; Council-Jason Wendt.

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

Tucker made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 14, 2017 meeting, seconded by Janshen. MCU

Tina Lindquist, Grant County Emergency Management, was present to explain the hows and whys of All Hazard Mitigation Plan. Tucker moved to resolve support the hazard mitigation planning effort and to adopt the Grant County All-Hazard Mitigation Plan, seconded by Janshen. Roll Call Vote: Lang-yes, Tucker-yes, Janshen-yes

The council again reviewed a request from the Barrett Fire Department to purchase 3 red shirts for fundraising events for its 2 newest members as well as black & white dress uniforms. Council will ask Fire Department to bring a clothing policy back to the Council for approval to address how many and how often clothing will be eligible to be purchased.

Janshen made a motion to issue an On sale and Sunday liquor license to John Hanson, The Wrap Shack Bar & Grill, effective October 1, 2017 through January 1, 2018 for \$1,400 On sale and \$200 Sunday prorating that rate for ¼ of a year, seconded by Tucker. MCU

Tucker made a motion to dissolve the City Tobacco Ordinance effective 12/31/17 and go with the Grant County Tobacco Ordinance effective 1/1/2018, seconded by Janshen. MCU

Tucker moved to resolve to authorize the City Clerk Marita Rhude to take the actions necessary to apply for USDA Rural Development financial assistance for the proposed water/sewer project to include using the USDA's RD Apply system to provide requested information and to sign forms and certifications that are required as part of the complete application, seconded by Lang. Roll Call Vote: Lang-yes, Tucker-yes, Janshen-yes

The City health insurance rates for 2018 went up 36.7%. Decisions about the January 1, 2018 renewal will need to be made at the October meeting. Council approved appointing Brian Tucker to work with the City Clerk to come up with a recommendation on how to precede going forward with health insurance offerings and bring findings to the October meeting.

The 2018 General Fund Budget was reviewed. Tucker moved to resolve to set the preliminary levy at \$181,000, seconded by Lang. Roll Call Vote: Lang-yes, Tucker-yes, Janshen-yes

Maintenance update: The 2 furnaces at the Water Treatment plant are not working properly and we are looking into pricing on new ones. Sewer ponds have a lot of algae, so between algae and the geese discharge will be later than normal this year.

Clerk's update: Barrett's second quarter solid waste report showed Barrett creating 9.85% of the County solid waste tonnage, Barrett is currently being charged 10.54% of the Counties tonnage. Barrett received a \$1,119 refund from Workers Compensation due to maintenance hours being split between funds. The October City Council meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 10th due to Columbus Day.

