

Barrett City Council Meeting Minutes
Monday, September 14, 2015
6:30 p.m.
Barrett City Office

Present: Mayor-Les Alvstad; Council-Todd Lang, Kathy Wevley, Jason Wendt, Brian Tucker; Clerk/Treasurer-Marita Rhude; Guests: Bob Schleiman, Jared Frykman, Dave Lien, Jr., Morgan Moerke.
Absent: Maintenance-Gerald Puchalski.

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

Tucker made a motion to approve the agenda, seconded by Lang. MCU

Lang made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 11th meeting, seconded by Wendt. MCU

Jared Frykman from Johnson-Frykman Lawn Care was present to discuss the Lawn Care Contract for 2016. Wendt made a motion to approve the Lawn Care Contract with Johnson-Frykman Lawn Care for 2016 for \$6,160 plus spraying applications as included in the contract, seconded by Wevley. MCU

Bob Schleiman from Apex Engineering Group was present to discuss possible Utility and Street Improvements. He presented preliminary improvements at a cost of \$3,854,045 and explained the process needed to move forward. He presented a preliminary time line with Construction proposed for May 2017. Council needs to consider if they wish to move forward or not and decided to put this decision on for the October agenda.

Morgan Moerke from the Barrett Flames was present to ask the Council about using the Pavilion for a Halloween Fundraiser again this year. Last years fundraiser was not as successful as they hoped, but want to build the event up as an annual event and that Barrett is the place to be for their Halloween fun. Lang made a motion to charge \$125 rent to include heat, however if the actual heat cost exceeds the \$125 they would pay the actual cost of the heat for the Pavilion rent for the Halloween event, seconded by Alvstad. MCU

Wevley made a motion to approve the temporary on-sale liquor licenses for the Barrett Fire Department for September 19th, October 10th and October 31st, seconded by Wendt. MCU

Dave Lien, Jr. reported that membership is low on the fire department and first responders. They are having troubles having enough people to staff the first responders for the Nursing Home. He would like to have a council representative meet with the Fire Department Officers and form some policies in conjunction with the Sheriff's Department/Ambulance Service and Nursing Home for future responses. State wide membership is low and some recruit will be needed.

Dave reported that the Barrett Fire Retirement Association needs to change council representative on their board to include the Mayor, Clerk, and one council member. This will be put on next months agenda.

Wevley moved to resolve to amend the property tax abatement for the Barrett Care Center to clarify the terms of abatement to include “ based on the estimated market value and tax rate for 2014”, seconded by Tucker. Roll Call Vote: Alvstad-yes, Lang-yes, Wevley-yes, Wendt-yes, Tucker-yes.

Clerk Rhude informed the council that the 2016 health insurance renewal will be at the same rate as 2015.

Tucker moved to resolved to set the preliminary tax levy for 2016 at \$229,021.64, seconded by Lang. Roll Call Vote: Alvstad-yes, Lang-yes, Wevley-yes, Wendt-yes, Tucker-yes.

Tucker made a motion to pay bills in the amount of \$26,899.33, seconded by Wevley. MCU

Lang made a motion to adjourn at 8:08 p.m., seconded by Tucker . MCU

Marita Rhude
Clerk/Treasurer