

BARRY CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
JULY 1, 2024

Mayor Rennecker called the regular meeting of the Barry City Council to order at 7 p.m. He then led all present in the Pledge of Allegiance. All elected officials were present.

Bridget Cramsey made a motion to approve the minutes from the June meeting and Tyler Patterson seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Debbie Harshman made motion to approve payment of the bills and Steve Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Officer Herron from the Pike County Sheriff's office gave the police report. There were 3 traffic arrests: driving while license revoked: failure to yield left turn and driving while license suspended.

Jeremy Walston gave the Public Works Director report. He said after the pool surge tank was repaired and ready to go, then the electrical box was fried when it was turned on and has to be replaced and we have a new one ordered. At this point we still don't know when the pool will be open.

Jeff Hogge gave the City Administrator report. He has registered the Appropriation Ordinance with Pike County Clerk and entered the Appropriation budget into Quick books. He attended a library meeting and worked on getting bid invitations out to insurance companies. He also met the New Philadelphia superintendent.

Max Middendorf from Mecor gave the engineering report. He stated he is waiting on feedback on the wells. MFT chip seal bid opening set for July 9, 2024 at 1 p.m. The closeout for sewer lining grant disbursement from DECO will be disbursed Mid – to late August due to State Fiscal year changeover.

Mayor Rennecker discussed the pool surge tank bids with the council. Jeremy said the tank leaks a little but still works. We need to move forward with getting a new tank fabricated because it will take several months. Mayor Rennecker asked Max Middendorf if we should re-bid on the surge tank because the bids we have were only for 30 days. Max said yes they should be re-bid. Debbie Harshman stated we need to re-bid and get it done. Mayor asked Max to have vendors re-bid on the surge tank.

Mayor Rennecker discussed a resolution to create 5 acre parcel on Kendall Avenue in the Business Park subdivision. The property consists of approximately 8 acres on Kendall Avenue will be divided into one – 5 acre parcel and one 3 acre parcel. This will allow the 5 acre parcel to be sold. The parcel has to bring 80% of appraised value. Steve Schultz made a motion to approve the Resolution and Tyler Patterson seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

Debbie Harshman – yes  
Scott Harris – yes  
Steve Schultz – yes  
Marynel Corton – yes  
Tyler Patterson – yes  
Bridget Cramsey – yes

Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent to approve the Resolution.

Mayor and Council discussed well rehab proposal from Brotcke Well and Pump. Wells 4 & 6 was inspected and determined that they need to be rehabilitated. Max Middendorf said Brotcke gave a quote of \$25,679 to repair the wells. Steve Schultz made a motion to approve Brotcke's bid and Marynel Corton seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

Scott Harris – yes  
Steve Schultz - yes  
Marynel Corton – yes  
Tyler Patterson – yes  
Bridget Cramsey – yes  
Debbie Harshman – yes

Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent to approve the bid from Brotcke Well and Pump in the amount of \$25,679 to repair well 4 & 6.

Mayor Rennecker discussed the milling bid from Diamond Construction for Mortimer Street. It will be from Smith Street to Hwy 106 and we should have all the humps milled down to make it smoother for oil and chip, the bid is for \$40,850 and the City will provide all necessary traffic control including flaggers and provide trucking for disposal of milling material. This will be paid out of Motor Fuel Tax fund. Marynel Corton made a motion to approve Diamond's bid and Debbie Harshman seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

Steve Schultz – yes  
Marynel Corton – yes  
Tyler Patterson – yes  
Bridget Cramsey – yes  
Debbie Harshman – yes  
Scott Harris – yes

Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent to approve the bid from Diamond in amount of \$40,850.

Mayor and Council discussed sludge enzyme contract. Jeremy Walston had IL Rural Water come out and measure solids in the lagoon. They recommend the solids be 25% and we are sitting at 45% (about 3 ½ ft. of sludge) Aquafix proposed a bug treatment at a cost of \$15,705 to bring the solids back in line where they should be. Max Middendorf said there should be 50% reduction in a year. Tyler Patterson made a motion to accept the bid from Aquafix and Bridget Cramsey seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

Marynel Corton – yes  
Tyler Patterson – yes  
Bridget Cramsey – yes  
Debbie Harshman – yes  
Scott Harris – yes  
Steve Schultz – yes

Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent to approve the bid from Aquafix.

Mayor Rennecker said that \$30,000 had been budgeted for sidewalks. We had put out bids to three people and Rees Construction submitted a bid around \$64,000 to \$65,000. Scott Harris said we should try to do some ourselves; it is too high a bid. The Council rejected the bid.

Steve Schultz made a motion to go into executive session at 8:02 p.m. and Bridget Cramsey seconded the motion.

Council returned from executive session at 8:20 p.m. No action was taken.  
Bridget Cramsey made a motion to adjourn and Steve Schultz seconded the motion.  
Meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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City Clerk