

BARRY CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 1, 2021

Mayor Rennecker called the regular monthly meeting to order by remote conference. Those in attendance were the following: Mayor Rennecker, Sandra Brown, Robert Snyder, Jeff Hogge, Scott Harris, Marynel Corton, Max Middendorf, Bob Dieker, Debbie Dell, Bruce Kendall, Bridget Cramsey, Steve Schultz, Nick Doellman, Jim Filbert, Deputy Crowder and David Camphouse. All elected officials were present.

Marynel Corton made a motion to approve the minutes from the January meeting and Steve Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Steve Schultz made a motion to approve payment of the bills and Scott Harris seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 yeas, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Deputy Crowder from the Pike County Sheriffs Department gave the police report. He said there were 74 reports selected for the month.

Jeff Hogge gave the code enforcement report. He stated that everyone has taken care of problems and the one at 119 Tremont will be cleaned up by Thursday.

Steve Schultz gave the finance committee report. The meeting was held on January 20, 2021 and those present were: Shawn Rennecker, Steve Schultz, Scott Harris, Bob Dieker, Marynel Corton, Sandra Brown, Debbie Dell and Jeff Hogge. Steve said they spent a lot of time going over items and everything looks good.

Robert Snyder gave the Public Works Director report. Robert said he had been out for two weeks because of Covid, but meters have been read, sewer lining has been done. The people doing the sewer lining had problems with their truck freezing up. Mayor Rennecker said there has been one contract order change. Many of the laterals came in at an angle so wouldn't do any good to line them. Max Middendorf stated that adjustments to the original work plan of the project resulted in significant cost savings to the City. The contract amount for the work was reduced by \$25,840 from original amount of \$87,197 leaving an amount of \$55,957.

Jeff Hogge gave the City Administrator report. He said he mailed out proposals for small dump truck bids. This was mailed to 9 area dealerships. One sent 4 bids back. Completed Census housing survey and delivered the Police Contract to Sheriff Greenwood. Jeff attended abandoned property webinar and the grant can go up to \$75,000 to tear house down. On January 29 opened small dump truck bids and he and Robert are picking up the new squad can on Tuesday-February 2, 2021.

The City received a donation request from New Philadelphia and annual dues request. Marynel said the beginning of each year they send out membership notices and asked if the city would donate \$500 toward the land campaign. Steve Schultz stated that since we do not have donations for After Prom we could donate to New Philadelphia. Steve Schultz made a motion to donate \$500 to New Philadelphia and \$50 for membership fees. Scott Harris seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

Bob Dieker – yes
Scott Harris – yes
Steve Schultz – yes
Marynel Corton – abstain

Bruce Kendall – yes

Bridget Cramsey – yes

Motion carried with 5 ayes, 0 nays 0 absent and 1 abstain.

Mayor Rennecker discussed the upcoming pool season. He said our last manager has taken a full time job and won't be back so we need to discuss getting a manager. Bridget Cramsey said a teacher at school asked about management position at the pool. Steve Schultz said we should go ahead and make some kind of attempt and that his main concern is lifeguards and how much to pay them. Council decided to proceed with hiring a pool manager with the hopes of a green light to be able to open the pool and hopefully will not be limited to how many can attend. Also need to find out cost of getting lifeguards qualified.

Nick Doellman from ABNG Accounts gave the audit report and said everything looks good.

Mayor Rennecker discussed a possible alley closure between Decatur St and Bainbridge Street (334 Bainbridge St). Robert Snyder said it was opened up when a modular was put in and it is steep. The owners of modular went down when very icy and almost went through Eric Welch's house. Steve Schultz said if we close does that stop the ability to go up and down. Robert said they can come in from South side and Steve asked what the homeowners think about this and said that all of the homeowners around there should be contacted. Marynel Corton asked what other alleys we treat around town. Robert said they try to get uptown first and they have a couple alleys that are used that they go over. Steve Schultz said to check on easements and talk to homeowners and table to next months meeting.

Mayor Rennecker discussed a potential mural to be painted downtown on the Smith building. It will be six foot by ten foot mural which reflects the history of Barry. Mayor Rennecker said he has a quote from Pike County Art Guild to paint this mural on metal for \$1200 which would be funded by two grants. The owners of the building are Mark & Faith Smith. Steve Schultz made a motion to approve the mural and Marynel Corton seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

Bruce Kendall – yes

Marynel Corton – yes

Bridget Cramsey – yes

Steve Schultz – yes

Scott Harris – yes

Bob Dieker – yes

Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Mayor Rennecker also discussed the Welcome sign that was used coming into town. He asked if everyone would like to hang on the City Hall yard fence unless someone had a different idea. Bruce Kendall suggested putting out by Lumley's and Bridget Cramsey said by baseball field at YMCA. Mayor Rennecker said Rich Dunker said he would be interested in helping put new sign up.

Council discussed pay request #1 for sewer lining project to Visu-Sewer in amount of \$5277.15. Steve Schultz made a motion to approve the pay request and Bruce Kendall seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

Marynel Corton – yes

Bridget Cramsey – yes

Steve Schultz – yes
Scott Harris – yes
Bruce Kendall 0 yes
Bob Dieker – yes

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

Mayor Rennecker said that proposals for a new dump truck was sent to 9 different dealerships and only heard back from three. Lovegreen Ford from Palmyra, Mo turned in 4 bids:

Bid # 1 -2021 Ford F350 - \$40,045.00 Truck Available, bed in a month

Bid # 2 – 2021 Ford F450 - \$45,834.000 Truck available, bed in a month

Bid # 3 – 2022 Ford F350 - \$40,823.00 Available July 2021

Bid # 4 – 2022 Ford F450 - \$45,503.00 Available July 2021

Morrow Bros Ford – 2021 Ford F350 - \$44,875.00 Available 02/20/21

Marshall Chevrolet – 2021 Chevy Silverado – 3500HD - \$40,891.00 Available 4 to 8 months

Council decided to go with Lovegreen Ford from Palmyra, Mo since they had lowest bid and has trucks he can get and Knapheide can get bed within month on the Ford F350 for \$40045. Bruce Kendall made a motion to go with Lovegreen Ford for 2021 Ford F350 and Steve Schultz seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

Bridget Cramsey – yes

Bruce Kendall – yes

Bob Dieker – yes

Scott Harris – yes

Steve Schultz – yes

Marynel Corton – yes

Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent to go with Lovegreen Ford.

Mayor Rennecker asked about financing with dealership or local banks. Council will approve financing later.

Steve Schultz made a motion to adjourn and Marynel Corton seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk