

BARRY CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 7, 2023

Mayor Pro-tem Steve Schultz 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 except Shawn Rennecker, Debbie Harshman and Scott Harris.

Justin Puterbaugh made a motion to approve the minutes from the July meeting and Marynel Corton seconded the motion. Motion carried with 3 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absent.

Marynel Corton made a motion to approve payment of the bills and Bridget Cramsey seconded the motion. Motion carried with 3 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absent.

Officer Ryan Rouse from the Pike County Sheriff's department gave the police report.

Robert Snyder gave the Public Works Director report. Robert said there were two leaks that had to be repaired, one by Mrs. DeHart and the other by Dawn Mudd's house. All of the manhole lids have been found and ready for sewer lining. The dirt at the ball diamond has been leveled out. He received a picture of fire hydrant laying on the ground at the nursing home. It was hit by an unknown vehicle and will have to be replaced with a shut off valve. Right now there is no valve to shut down. It is pretty expensive to do a line stop. After it is fixed we are going to put pipe around it to protect it from being hit again. We have been spraying, mowing and some patching and getting ready to work on sand filters.

Jeff Hogge gave the City Administrator report. He attended a FEMA meeting at Pittsfield about storm damage on June 29<sup>th</sup> and we have the possibility of recovering money from the storm damage. He submitted a dollar amount for \$1100 for the cleanup from the storm. The museum doors from Doors N More are scheduled to be installed September 6, 2023. He also attended meetings on sewer lining construction and on the sand filters.

Mayor Pro-tem Steve Schultz said Mecos gave us an estimate of cost for sidewalks. The estimates are from an outside firm. The cost of sidewalks on Bainbridge Street total \$64,077.50 and on Pratt Street total \$84,170.00. Steve Schultz recommended budgeting for the sidewalk repair over two years. Jeff Hogge suggested doing Bainbridge first Pratt. A decision will be made at a later meeting.

Robert Snyder stated they have tried a couple of things on the filter but it did not work. He doesn't think there is any breakage. We are still working on the filters to get them to drain like they should.

Steve Schultz discussed the website contract with Council. This was talked about at the last meeting and Shawn Rennecker has looked into it the contract with Catalis and thinks it is the best choice. Marynel Corton made a motion to go with Catalis for the website and Justin Puterbaugh seconded the motion. Motion carried with 3 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absent.

Steve Schultz discussed the water tower inspection contract with Coating inspection Services. The proposal is for visual inspection of the water tower. Max Middendorf said the water will have to be drained so they can get person in it to look at inside of water tank. This will give an assessment report along with a photo log of tank deficiencies and recommendations. The cost is \$2500. Bridget Cramsey made a motion to approve the contract and Justin Puterbaugh seconded the motion. Motion carried with 3 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absent.

Steve Schultz said the Pike County Economic Development Corporation membership is due and the cost is \$1299. Marynel Corton made a motion to approve the payment and Bridget Cramsey seconded the motion. Motion carried with 3 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absent.

Steve Schultz said some of the concrete planters are not being used. He and Shawn took a walk and talked about removing ones on Mortimer and Bainbridge. The new planters will be placed where the old light poles have been removed. The cost of 24x24x24 planter will be \$747 and 20x20x20 is \$725. Three of them would be less than \$2500. Justin Puterbaugh made motion to approve the purchase of 24” planters and Bridget Cramsey seconded the motion. Motion carried with 3 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absent.

Steve Schultz said we have two bids on demolition of house and trailer at 187 Decatur Street. The bids were from Zac Pruet in amount of \$8000 and Bob Armistead in amount of \$7800. Justin Puterbaugh asked if we have heard anything from the owners. Jeff Hogge sent a letter to have yard mowed and it was. We have not received anything else from them. Marynel Corton made motion to accept the low bid for demolition of house and trailer at 187 Decatur Street and Justin Puterbaugh seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

Bridget Cramsey – yes  
Justin Puterbaugh – yes  
Marynel Corton – yes  
Steve Schultz – yes  
Debbie Harshman – absent  
Scott Harris – absent

Motion carried with 4 ayes, 0 nays 2 absent to accept the low bid from Bob Armistead for demolition of house and trailer at 187 Decatur Street.

Jeff Hogge proposed Tiny Home rules. Justin Puterbaugh asked what is typical lot size and Robert Snyder stated 60x120. Justin Puterbaugh said modify existing ordinance to add tiny homes. It would be zoning R-1. Marynel Corton asked about large lots – would they be able to have more than one. Steve Schultz said we need to talk about building materials and table to later meeting.

Marynel Corton made motion to go into executive session and Justin Puterbaugh seconded motion. Council went into executive session at 8:02 p.m.

Council returned from executive session. Bridget Cramsey made motion to adjourn and Marynel Corton seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

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Mayor Pro-tem

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City Clerk