

BARRY CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
MARCH 4, 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 February meeting and Marynel Corton 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 Justin Puterbaugh seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Jeremy Walston gave the Public Works Director report. He said they finished the siding at the pool and put the “Welcome to Barry” sign up and added a solar light by the sign. The applications for wastewater license have been sent in for Jeremy and Rusty.

Jeff Hogge gave the City Administrator report. He delivered the signed contract to Pike County Sheriff and attended a meeting about having SCADA system for the water system and attended the PCCEDC meeting in Pittsfield. He also had an interview with WGEM about the city’s donation to Western School for a new greenhouse. Spring clean-up is scheduled for April 20 – 28.

Officer Ryan Rouse from the Pike County Sheriff’s department gave the police report. He stated there were 5 warnings, 4 traffic arrests and 11 felony arrests and 6 misdemeanor arrests. Debbie Harshman asked if anything has been done on the Apple Festival investigation. Officer Rouse was unable to answer because he said he was pretty much out of the loop on that issue.

The Committee of the Whole met before the regular meeting. The water tank at Lafayette Park is going to need to be repainted and will have to be contained. Max Middendorf recommends putting bids out now because of the long wait. Council also discussed well cleaning and inspection. Max Middendorf recommends setting aside \$5,000 each year for maintenance on the wells. Brotcke Well & Pump gave a proposal of \$25679 for the disinfection of the two wells currently being used. The process would will take about two days per well to complete. The SCADA proposal from Vandevanter Engineering is \$48,937. Also discussed revolving loan application for Cindy Galinis (Tiny’s Place) for \$5000 for electrical work in annex and cutting doorway in wall. Jeff said the grocery store is having trouble getting a card reader and could they switch to installing a security system over the registers and front door, this was interior rehab. Justin Puterbaugh made a motion for Max Middendorf to get water tower bids and Debbie Harshman seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent. Mayor Rennecker said he hopes to get a grant for the SCADA system. He stated this would be funded by capital bill grant. The proposal for SCADA would be \$48,937. Steve Schultz made a motion to approve bid proposal for SCADA contingent on capital bill grant and Marynel Corton seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

Debbie Harshman – yes  
Scott Harris – yes  
Steve Schultz – yes  
Marynel Corton – yes

Justin Puterbaugh – yes  
Bridget Cramsey – yes

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

Mayor Rennecker said Brotcke Well gave a proposal of \$25,679 to clean wells. This would come out of water infrastructure fund. Scott Harris made a motion to approve the proposal and Steve Schultz seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

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

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

Mayor Rennecker discussed the revolving loan application for Cindy Galinis in the amount of \$5,000. Debbie Harshman made motion to approved contingent on getting bid/estimate and Bridget Cramsey seconded the motion. Amendment to the motion is 3% for 5 years. Debbie Harshman made motion to approve to amend and Bridget Cramsey seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

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

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

Steve Schultz made a motion to amend the Interior Rehab for Stroemer Foods to change from card reader to security system and Marynel Corton seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

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

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

Mayor Rennecker discussed with council about amending the ordinance on parking regulations. No parking between 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. any day within the district bounded by: south side of Main Street between Rodgers and Bainbridge; east side of Bainbridge between Main and Mason; north side of Mason Street between Bainbridge and Rodgers; west side of Rodgers between Main and Mason; the east side and west side of Rodgers Street between Main and Mortimer Street. Council said to amend the ordinance stating the City Clerk has to issue permit for parking. Justin Puterbaugh made motion to accept the ordinance as written except for permit issued by City Clerk. Bridget Cramsey seconded the motion. Roll call taken.

Justin Puterbaugh – yes  
Bridget Cramsey – yes

Debbie Harshman – yes  
Scott Harris – yes  
Steve Schultz – yes  
Marynel Corton – yes

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

Mayor Rennecker discussed the surplus property the City wants to sell. We have to formally approve the 2021 Ford dump truck as being surplus property before being sold and identify how we plan to sell it. We are going to try and sell privately. Marynel Corton made a motion to sell the 2021 Ford dump truck as surplus property and sell on line or dealership. Justin Puterbaugh seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Mayor Rennecker and Council discussed Insurance and audit. Mayor Rennecker said the audit will go up to \$18,000 and asked if we should get a couple of bids. Council decided not to put out for bid the city's audit and will stay wit ABNG. The City's insurance will be put out for bid after the new fiscal year.

Mayor Rennecker said the fire department asked if we would be interested being a sponsor for "Rocking for Rescue". It is an annual fundraiser for the fire department. Justin Puterbaugh made a motion to donate \$500 to sponsor the fire departments fundraiser and Marynel Corton seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Jeremy Walston said they need to do some work on the wooden building around City Hall to replace rotten boards. It will be well over \$1000 to keep from rotting away. Steve Schultz said to budget \$5000 and if you need more down the road let us know. Scott Harris said maybe add metal so wouldn't have to paint, shore up the walls. Do a wall at a time. Use fiber paint for the roof. Scott Harris made a motion to spend up to \$15,000 for repairs. Steve Schultz seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

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

Debbie Harshman made a motion to adjourn and Justin Puterbaugh seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

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City Clerk