

BARRY CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 7, 2022

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

Steve Schultz made a motion to approve the minutes from the October meeting and Justin Puterbaugh 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 Bridget Cramsey seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Mayor Rennecker discussed the water interconnection project. He said that Jayna Hively has inquired about going with Pike County Water at her house. Nathan Bainter talked to the council about his line which is a private line. He stated they maintain the line and have had to put in twice; there is a company coming through that would take care of line if anything happened. He does not want the City to get into a contract to stop existing customers from getting on with Pike County water. Steve Schultz replied that he thought Pike County water would pick up these people and let them hook on. Shawn Rennecker asked Nathan if they would be interested if the City took over maintenance of line. Justin Puterbaugh said if they don't maintain the line then they cannot change but if they maintain their own line then they can change. Justin Puterbaugh made a motion to the agreement for customers to be able to move to Pike County Water if they maintain line or service line. Steve Schultz seconded the motion. Mayor Rennecker said he hopes we will see a contract in December.

Robert Snyder gave the Public Works Director report. Robert said the lift station motor is in and working. They have been patching and cut trees and brush out of an alley way, mowed the 7 acres and put a gravel drive going into it. Jetted a couple tubes to clean out and the garage at the YMCA that the Boy Scouts use had some siding blow off from the wind and stated we need to put something on it. The library sewer was plugged and the pipe is rotted out. The metal pipe is busting up. We need to get a licensed plumber to repair that. Max Middendorf said a place in Pittsfield found someone in Quincy that lines sewer pipes. Robert said sidewalks are ready to pour at the Baptist Church and asked Council if they would be interested in purchasing a vacuum pump to clean up leaves. They run from \$1500 - \$6000. Bob Dieker made a motion to spend up to \$8000 on a leaf vacuum. Steve Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

The pit at Ascend is in and we are going to flush hydrants this week.

Jeff Hogge gave the City Administrator report. He said he has been working on the yearly Tif report and just waiting on audit report to be finalized to finish and submit. Attended lead line webinar; IL has at least 13000 lead lines. Attended Tif joint review meeting and received an offer on the old sewer jetter from Coe Equipment Company, in amount of \$5000 plus \$500 in credit for any parts we may need in the future. Bob Dieker made a motion to sell but to try for \$6000 and Steve Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

The roof at the Library/Museum has been completed.

Mayor Rennecker discussed down town side walk repair. They met with a company "Raising Solutions" that raises sidewalks and stabilize them and had them look at our

downtown sidewalks and give a quote. The quote was \$8800 to repair them. Mayor Rennecker said they could be here in early December to do the work. Bob Dieker said we should take pictures before they start so someone cannot say we caused problems after this is done. Bridget Cramsey made a motion to move forward with Raising Solutions for \$8800 and Steve Schultz seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

Bob Dieker – 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 discussed the Tif roof project. He talked about the apartment building roof that is in need of repair and belongs to Phil Marshall. He said he explained to Phil that the building would have to be his and that Micah White would have to be completely out of it. Mayor Rennecker stated that Phil wants to make the apartments livable again for people but needs the roof fixed first. Steve Schultz asked about the cost of the project and Shawn said that Phil told him around \$30,000. Bob Dieker made a motion for \$30,000 for roof on apartment building and Steve Schultz said needs to have roof done and we see bill for labor and material before it is paid. Marynel Corton seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

Scott Harris – abstain  
Steve Schultz – yes  
Marynel Corton – yes  
Justin Puterbaugh – yes  
Bridget Cramsey – yes  
Bob Dieker – yes

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

Bob Dieker had a discussion with Rich Dunker about putting a “Welcome to Barry” sign on his lot. Rich said he would be open to one but wants access to his building.

Mayor Rennecker discussed vacation/comp buy back up to 2 weeks for the employees. We do this every year as long as they have time available. Steve Schultz made motion to continue to do like in the past and Bridget Cramsey seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Mayor Rennecker asked the Council about getting outdoor batting cage and pitching machine for the ball field at Mt. Dew Ball Field. He stated it would eliminate parking at the ball park. The cost would be \$5040. Justin Puterbaugh made a motion to approve \$5040 for pitching machine and batting cage. Bridget Cramsey seconded the motion. Roll call taken:

Steve Schultz – yes  
Marynel Corton – yes  
Justin Puterbaugh – yes  
Bridget Cramsey – yes  
Bob Dieker – yes  
Scott Harris – yes

Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent to approve \$5040 for pitching machine and batting cage.

Mayor Rennecker discussed the bases downtown that are from the light poles that were taken down. He said rather than trying to cut the old light pole bases off he wondered if it would be better to buy and install more trash cans (like we have now) and install on those bases. The cost per can is \$1367 and for 4 bases would cost us \$5468. Steve Schultz said he would prefer smaller planters to put flowers in. This is tabled to a later meeting.

Marynel Corton discussed the buy “Wreaths across America”. The General William P. Carlin Chapter Daughters of the Union 1861-1864 is an official sponsor of Wreaths Across America. They had to identify a cemetery so they chose Barry. The cost of a wreath is \$15 and need to be ordered by November 15, 2022. Steve Schultz said they need to be placed at random. Bridget Cramsey made a motion to purchase 6 wreaths to place on a grave of a veteran in the Barry cemetery and Marynel Corton seconded the motion.

The Council discussed the Museum door. MECO checked around on doors and found prices close to what we had found with Doors and More. The price with Doors and More was \$24,887 and the glass above the door stays. Jeff will check and see if the price remains the same.

Mayor Rennecker asked Council about a dead line for installing the HVAC in the museum. They said the end of November.

Steve Schultz made a motion to go into executive session at 8:55 p. m. and Justin Puterbaugh seconded the motion.

Council returned from executive session at 9:35 p. m.

Steve Schultz made a motion for change of policy. Anyone passing D water license gets credit for B & C water licenses and D water license and it is retroactive to date of passing. Marynel Corton seconded motion. They receive \$.50 for each license. Roll call taken:

Marynel Corton – yes  
Justin Puterbaugh – yes  
Bridget Cramsey – yes  
Bob Dieker – yes  
Scott Harris – yes  
Steve Schultz – yes

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

Steve Schultz made a motion to adjourn and Justin Puterbaugh seconded the motion.

Meeting adjourned at 9:36 p.m.

---

Mayor

---

City Clerk