

BARRY CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 3, 2025

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 except Scott Harris and Tyler Patterson.

Debbie Harshman made a motion to approve the minutes from the January meeting and Marynel Corton seconded the motion. Motion carried with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absent.

Debbie Harshman made a motion to approve payment of the bills and Bridget Cramsey seconded the motion. Motion carried with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absent.

Jared Kanallakan, President of Moran Economic Development presented 3 items for the next step of the Tif amendment process to be able to expand the TIF district.

1. Presentation of amended TIF area eligibility/feasibility study by MED.
2. Presentation of amended draft TIF redevelopment plan by MED.
3. Motion to place the feasibility study on file (10 days) and to approve sending the TIF feasibility study to all affected taxing districts.

He said the first step when amending Tif is a feasibility study by an approved consultant. Then can proceed with TIF project which is a lengthy process and mailings and notices will have to be sent out. There will be a public hearing needed to add pool and sewer plant. Jared stated we will be able to accommodate the change. There will be three meetings:

1. Joint review meeting – March 3, 2025;
2. Public Hearing – May 5, 2025
3. City Council Meeting to adopt amended TIF Plan ordinance for expansion – June 2, 2025.

The feasibility study will be on file at Barry City Hall at least 10 days if anyone wants to see it.

Debbie Harshman made a motion to place feasibility study on file for 10 days prior to mailings and Bridget Cramsey seconded the motion. Motion carried with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absent.

Ryan Rouse from the Pike County Sheriff's department gave the police report. He said the past month has been slow. There were 4 arrests: 3 felony arrests and 1 misdemeanor arrest and two verbal warnings. Parking in alleys was discussed and letters will be mailed out to the ones that have been blocking alley and then if vehicles are not moved they will be issued a ticket. Alleys are supposed to be kept open in case of emergencies.

Mayor Rennecker said we have a bigger leak in water tower, couple water lines to repair. Crew has been on site today and there was ice in bottom of tank and couldn't get in to repair tank. They talked about getting a steamer to melt the ice. Max Middendorf said that when the tank was drained ice settled on bottom of bowl. City is going to try to refill with water to the riser to see if 55 degree water will melt the ice. The repair crew is between jobs and is heading to Kansas next. If the ice melts they will try to fix the tank tomorrow and if not they will have to come back.

Mayor Rennecker said Jeremy one thing he wanted a green light on tonight and that is water piping for pool filter house. Jeremy received a quote from IMCO to replace all piping and the quote is \$3119.73. Steve Schultz made a motion to spend \$3119.73 for

pipes at pool filter house and Marynel Corton seconded the motion. Motion carried with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absent.

Jeff Hogge gave the City Administrator report. He ordered paint for the pool, and took water samples to Peoria. He attended a DCEO webinar and attended a PCCEDC meeting. Also attended library meeting and they are interested in becoming a district library. Jeff scheduled Spring Clean-up for April 5th thru April 13th.

Max Middendorf gave the Engineer report. The bid package is complete for SCADA and bids opening will be February 13 at 10:00 a.m. and bid opening for Lafayette Park Water Tower rehab will also be February 13 at 10:30 a.m.

Mayor Rennecker discussed mowing bids. The last bid was for 3 years and asked if they wanted to do that again. Marynel recommended the 3 years. Grass needs to be mowed less than 3 inches. The bids will be for Lafayette Park and Library, YMCA Park and ball field and for the Pool Park and the bids need to be turned in by 4 P.M on February 28.

Mayor Rennecker stated we need to start getting the pool staffed for this year. He said he had talked to Serena and she is interested in returning as Pool Manager. He will check to see if Maddie is planning on coming back.

Mayor Rennecker discussed well pump purchase; Brotcke Well & Pump had to replace our well pump when they discovered a fist size hole in it. We always keep a back up on hand and have a quote for new pump. They recommend that we go with the stainless pump and the cost is \$4965.00. Steve Schultz made a motion to approve the purchase of the stainless steel pump for \$4965.00 and Marynel Corton seconded the motion. Motion carried with 4 ayes, 0 nays and 2 absent.

Mayor Rennecker discussed having a drive thru window on side of building by the alley at the old Flower Shop. There has been some interest in putting a coffee shop there and would like to have drive thru window. Council discussed this and several businesses use the alley and there are dumpsters for the Thrift store and Doctor Office. Steve Schultz stated its going to be a headache for everyone once in a while. Mayor Rennecker said we could put up sign that says no blockage and only have one way. Steve Schultz said we wouldn't want them to put a big shade out in the alley.

Steve Schultz made a motion to adjourn and Marynel Corton seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk