

BARRY CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 4, 2021

Mayor Rennecker called the regular monthly meeting to order at 7 p.m. He 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 September meeting and Bridget Cramsey 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.

The finance report looks good in all accounts. On August statement the General Depreciation Reserve Fund the balance was written as \$339,619.47 and should have been \$ 239,619.47. The auditors will be here next month with their report.

Officer Rouse from the Pike County Sheriff's department gave the police report. He said there were 6 traffic stops and 3 arrests: 1 misdemeanor, criminal trespass and battery. Officer Rouse said there have been catalytic converter thefts in the county and two were taken out of Barry at Gates Auto Repair.

Jeff Hogge gave the code enforcement report. He said that most everything has been taken care of. The car at 1016 Decatur Street is gone and the stove and other stuff have been moved from 286 Rodgers Street.

Robert Snyder gave the Public Works Director report. He said they have been doing some trimming and patching and helping with lights trying to get the town ready for the Apple Festival. The hydrant in Lafayette Park was leaked on Friday of Apple Festival and had to repair that. He had a worker give his two week notice so will need to look for someone else to hire.

Jeff Hogge gave the City Administrator report. He attended the Chip Seal bid opening and only had 1 bid and it was over \$48,000 so decided to wait until next year in hopes that the prices go down. The Health department inspected the Apartments on Bainbridge Street and we locked all the doors. Electricity and water have been turned off at the apartments. Helped to get ready for Apple festival and marked 5k run route.

The Tif committee met on last Thursday and recommends changing the boundaries of the TIF district and decided to expand boundaries so all businesses in Tif district is eligible. Bob Dieker made a motion to amend and expand Tif district to include all commercial businesses and Marynel Corton seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Max Middendorf from MECO Engineering said he had pay request # 2 for Ascend Water Main Project to be approved. This is for \$51,438.38. Steve Schultz made a motion to approve the 2nd pay request and Marynel Corton 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 to approve the pay request. Steve Schultz asked if this is a private line or the City's. Max Middendorf said it will be the City's line.

Mayor Rennecker said that Lora Shepperd has purchased land and plans to build house and garage and would like to have Front Street extended to the west. Water can be accessed easy but in 2010 we had to run across Ernie VanHooks property and provided him free sewer. He is only on a 6" service line, not an 8". Max Middendorf said main has to be 8" minimum. Steve Schultz said nearest line is on Tremont Street and would have to have easements. It needs to be surveyed before any decision is made. She can connect to water but sewer would have to be septic tank. Mayor Rennecker will talk to Jeff Hart about survey.

Bob Dieker said a phone line pole across from his house is leaning. He said one is on Pratt Street and one on Decatur Street

Mayor Rennecker discussed pole wraps for the new light poles. He said they would be \$1300 plus shipping. Bob Dieker Made a motion to approve purchasing and Bridget Cramsey seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Steve Schultz made a motion to go into executive session at 7:50 p.m. and Marynel Corton seconded the motion.

Bob Dieker made a motion to return to regular session and Bridget Cramsey seconded motion.

Council decided to take applications for new employee. Bob Dieker made motion to adjourn at 8:51 p.m. and Bridget Cramsey seconded motion.

Mayor

City Clerk