

BARRY CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
SEPTEMBER 8, 2020

Mayor Rennecker called the regular Barry City Council meeting which was held by conference call to order at 7 p.m. All elected officials were present.

Steve Schultz made a motion to approve the minutes from the August meeting. Bruce Kendall seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Marynel Corton made a motion to approve payment of the bills and Steve Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Mayor Rennecker gave the police report. There were 3 felony arrests and 1 misdemeanor and 1 traffic arrest. Jeff Hogge said the Sheriff's department had asked for \$5000 for dash camera but they received a grant to cover this so we don't have to do anything.

Jeff Hogge discussed the code enforcements with council. Jeff said some of them have been fined and the house on Tremont Street has someone interested in buying it. Others have licensed their vehicles or have removed them.

Robert Snyder gave the public works director report. He said they have been busy, worked on the pool, put water to slide and have the frame up for one of the shades and we are working on the second one. They have picked out trees to be removed and cleaned the sand filter and have been mowing and weed eating.

Mayor Rennecker discussed with council about working on sidewalks. The Mayor said he had MECO estimate the cost per linear foot and they have seen bids coming back around \$20 - \$30 per linear foot for sidewalks. We have budgeted \$4000 for sidewalk repairs this year. Robert Snyder said if we could get a couple extra guys to help with this we could get them done. Steve Schultz said since we don't have an extra helper it would be nice to find an extra person until we hire someone. Mayor Rennecker said we need to run some kind of ad.

Jeff Hogge gave the city administrator report. He stated he helped haul the tires to Griggsville and helped crew with sand filter and also helped pour concrete for the shade poles at the pool. He attended a PCEDC meeting at Pittsfield and ordered dumpsters for city clean-up on September 21 thru 27.

Mayor Rennecker discussed with Council the city ordinance dealing with fencing at automotive service repair businesses. He said if a business started prior to 2008 they did not need a fence but if post 2008 they needed one. Do we need to repeal and pursue vehicles in another way? Marynel Corton said if we don't change the ordinance then Baker would need fence but no one else. Mayor Rennecker said no, we have several that would need a fence. Bob Dieker said he is in favor of getting rid of the ordinance but we need to say how long vehicles can sit there. Mayor Rennecker asked if I have attorney draw up papers to repeal the ordinance would enough be interested in doing this. The following said they would be interested this: Bob Dieker, Bridget Cramsey, Bruce Kendall, Steve Schultz, Scott Harris and Marynel Corton.

Mayor Rennecker discussed city ordinance regarding itinerant vendors. We need an application for this business and Steve Schultz said good idea for full year and a fee. Bob Dieker and Bruce Kendall are fine with this and Marynel Corton said go with 12 months.

Mayor Rennecker said he thinks food trucks are going to be a thing of the future.

Mayor Rennecker said the Council was asked to appoint the following to the Library board: Matt Etzler and Brenda Moyer. Leaving the board is Miranda Dunn and an open position by Maureen Garvin. Steve Schultz made a motion to approve the Library board and Marynel Corton seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Jeff Hogge talked about water/sewer collections. He said there is about \$14,000 out there from our usual slow payers. Mayor Rennecker said the Co-op is working with people to set up payments and we need to look into this. Steve Schultz said we need to start and set up some sort of payment plan. Mayor Rennecker said will not raise water/sewer rates.

Steve Schultz made a motion to adjourn and Marynel Corton seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 8:09 p.m.

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City Clerk