

BARRY CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 5, 2018

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.

A change was made to the agenda to remove "Discuss Pool Operation and Staff".

Debbie Harshman made a motion to approve the minutes from February meeting and Steve Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

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

There were 6 arrests: 3 felony arrests and 3 misdemeanor arrests.

Robert Snyder gave the Public Works Director Report. The lift station was down due to power outage so the alarm did not go off. Ameren was called and discovered a squirrel had chewed the wire. The crew has been patching streets and will start working on the pool in April. The light poles have been set at the Holy Redeemer Ball Diamond.

Jeff Hogge gave the City Administrator's report. He completed the TIF report and met with Max Middendorf to discuss MFT year end report and possible budget for next year. The spring clean-up will be April 14 thru April 22nd. Code enforcements are going to get hit hard after the clean-up. Attended several other meetings and met with Bill Bainter, residents from area of Possum Holler and Jane Johnson from Pike County Health Department. Jeff said he is planning on handing TIF applications out to businesses mid month.

Mayor Rennecker discussed mowing bids. He stated he recalled making renewal for up to 3 years for the ones that are currently mowing. He asked council if they remembered. The council thought it was for 2 years. Bruce Kendall said what affects bid is the price of gas. Steve Schultz said tell them they can have another year and if they are interested to let us know and if they need an increase. Bob Dieker made a motion to approve and Bruce Kendall seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Mayor Rennecker said there is not much new on CIETEN roadway.

Council discussed MFT Engineering services contract from MECO. The amount is \$1250. Bob Dieker made motion to approve the \$1250 for services and Steve Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Council discussed MFT budget resolution. The estimated cost of maintenance operations are as follows:

Sidewalks - \$10,000
Cold Patch - \$5,000
Chip & Seal - \$30,000
Engineering - \$2150
Total - \$47,150

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

Jon Fesler discussed the Tree City Arboricultural Specifications Manuel. He said this is tied into tree planted on city property and goes with application for Tree City. Steve Schultz made motion to approve the manuel and Debbie Harshman seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Council discussed the Webber Springs water situation. The city was hit with ice & snow mix on night of February 9th and early Sunday morning Robert noticed that the lift station was not working. He called Ameren Illinois and they found a dead short from pole to lift station and had it repaired around 2 p.m. A squirrel had chewed wire and knocked out warning call. With the lift station down it overflowed and run into man hole and into creek. Bill Bainter said sewage was in water at springs and thought it was because of lift station being down. Samples were taken from springs water and City's and Jeff took both to Peoria to have tests run on them. Jane Johnson from Pike County Health Department run own tests and they came back same as City's. EPA cannot say for certain it was caused by lift station. Jane Johnson said that since the water source for the Spring is surface water, the Department cannot and will not legally say the City's wastewater lift station was the source of contamination because surface water sources are open to a variety of infiltration. Jane also said that the Spring should not be a source of drinking water per EPA guidance. The 1 ¼ inch private service line running down the old highway does not meet EPA's standards for water main. Max Middendorf from MECO Engineering said the 2009 estimate for water line was \$114,000, now the estimated cost would be \$280,000. Steve Schultz asked are we willing to run tap down and let them hook on. We cannot afford to replace the road. It needs to be 6" main. Steve said they would be responsible to put in line. Cost would be about \$14,000 house. Steve said he would vote if willing to run line at rural rate. Bob Dieker asked who would own line if they put it in.

Debbie Harshman asked if we put on dog ordinance a number of dogs that people can have. Council said no.

Debbie Harshman made motion to go into executive session at 7:50 p.m. and Steve Schultz seconded motion.

Council returned from executive session at 8:45 p.m.

Council made a recommendation for Attorney Tad Brenner to negotiate with DCEO. Bob Dieker made a motion to approve and Steve Schultz seconded the motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Council authorized Mayor Rennecker to enter into contract with Marten Transport LTD to purchase 4 acres in Industrial Park. Marynel Corton made motion to approve and Debbie Harshman seconded motion. Motion carried with 6 ayes, 0 nays and 0 absent.

Bob Dieker made a motion to adjourn and Debbie Harshman seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned 8:48 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk