

City of Bancroft
Regular Council Meeting
March 14, 2016
7:00 PM

Minutes-

Mayor McCleish opened the meeting at with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:00 PM.

Roll call was taken with Robert Richter, Corey Rasch, Jeremy Fraker, Richard Arndorfer and Barb Schemmel . Staff present was Crysti Neuman, City Director, Tim Rowlet, Utility Clerk Mark Reimers, Streets, Brian Hatten- Utility Superintendent. Guests present were Drew Sweers Jason - Veenstra and Kimm , Ron Dacken-Dacken Insurance, Marty Schaffer and John Cowin-Central States Agency, and Marc Carlson- Unison. Other guests present were- Bill Droessler.

Motion by Richter, second Rasch to approve agenda with the addition of Discussion on continuing to buy wreaths with Rotary. All approve. Motion carried.

Motion by Rasch, second Richter to approve consent agenda. All approve. Motion carried.

Motion by Richter, second Schemmel to approve bills. All approve. Motion carried.

No one to speak at Public Forum.

Mayor McCleish opened the Public Hearing at 7:15 PM.

Marc Carlson, from Unison presented to the council that Unison would be interested in buying out our lease with AT&T. The company works with many of the cellular communication companies and will continue to work on bringing others to town. Future companies would be a 50/50 monthly split in rent between Unison and City of Bancroft.

Motion by Richter, second by Rasch to approve Unison to buyout our wireless Cell Tower lease for a purchase price of \$136,250, which includes the granting of easements and assignment of lease in accordance to terms of agreement dated March 1, 2016. 4 ayes, 1 nay. Motion carried.

City asked for two quotes for Insurance. Dacken Insurance presented EMC quote- which is the insurance the city currently has. The quote was \$59,408. Central States Agency presented ICAP (Iowa Communities Assurance Pool) quote. The quote was \$47,602.

Motion by Arndorfer, second Richter to approve Dacken and EMC for \$59,408. 3 ayes, 2 nays. Motion carried.

Motion by Schemmel, second Rasch to approve Resolution 2016.03.01 A Resolution to fix a date for a public hearing on a proposal to enter into a Sewer Revenue Loan and Disbursement Agreement and to borrow money thereunder in a principal amount not to exceed \$90,400. Roll Call: Richter- aye, Rasch- aye, Fraker- aye, Arndorfer- aye. All approve. Motion carried.

Motion by Schemmel, second Fraker to approve Chosen Valley Testing for geotechnical soil borings and evaluation for wastewater treatment project \$4,643.00 All approve. Motion carried.

Motion by Rasch, second Schemmel to Approve Resolution 2016.03.02 A Resolution approving Contracts and Bonds. Roll Call: Richter- aye, Rasch-aye, Fraker- aye, Arndorfer- aye. All approve. Motion carried.

Veenstra and Kimm, Inc. are finalizing storm water, sewer and water utility work on the 2016 Street Project. Timeline is to go out for bids in early May.

Motion by Rasch , second Fraker to set youth summer baseball and softball fees for 2016 at \$25 with participant paying for new shirt if needed through JMV, Graphix. All approve. Motion carried. Also noted that through donations and grants – a new scoreboard will be at the softball diamond.

The old scoreboard from Bancroft Memorial Park has not yet found a home. A silent Auction will be held through the Bandit baseball season for anyone interested in placing a bid. Monies will go back into maintenance of fields, youth baseball and softball.

Motion by Rasch , and second Schemmel to approve City obtaining Liquor license for selling beer at Bancroft Bandit games and 4th of July with proceeds to benefit Little League, Memorial Park, and Softball Park. All approve. Motion carried. Proceeds will benefit Ball Park and youth baseball and softball.

Brian Hatten will be contacting professionals who work to set up municipal natural gas utilities to come to a meeting on March 23, at 3 PM.

Motion by Rasch, second Schemmel to approve Resolution 2016.03.03 A Resolution Adopting Fiscal Year 16/17 Annual Budget for Fiscal Year End- June 30, 2017: Roll Call: Richter- aye, Rasch-aye, Fraker- aye, Arndorfer- aye. All approve. Motion carried.

Motion by Richter, second Schemmel to approve Resolution 2016.03.04 A Resolution for Iowa Department of Transportation All Town Sign Replacement Program. Roll Call: Richter- aye, Rasch-aye, Fraker- aye, Arndorfer- aye. All approve. Motion carried.

Motion by Rasch, second Richter to approve Mayor McCleish appointment of Tom Johnson to Bancroft Planning and Zoning Board to fill position vacated by Jan Wolf. All approve. Motion carried.

Motion by Richter, second Rasch to approve Resolution 2016.03.05 A Resolution approving the Transfer of funds from Prior Years as Recommended by City Auditor. Roll Call: Richter- aye, Rasch-aye, Fraker- aye, Arndorfer- aye. All approve. Motion carried.

Selling of city property was tabled.

Motion by Fraker, second Schemmel to close parts of Clay Street for July 2, 2016 for St John Quasquicentennial Celebration. All approve. Motion carried.

Motion by Schemmel, second Arndorfer to close Ramsey/Portland Street Square for August 27, 2016 for Chamber of Commerce Street Dance. All approve. Motion carried.

Motion by Richter, second Rasch for group looking to turn old tennis court area into a dog park approval to move forward as long as they plan on maintaining the property. All approve. Motion carried.

Motion by Schemmel, second Rasch to approve Annual Examination for FY 14/15 by Auditing Firm Cornwell, Frideres, Maher & Associates, P.L.C. All approve. Motion carried.

Motion by Rasch, second Scemmel to having Director Neuman contact and work with John Danos from Dorsey and Whitney on TIF. All approve. Motion carried.

The Council accepts with regret the retirement of Thomas Johnson from Bancroft Ambulance. The city is grateful to Tom for his dedicated service to the community.

Motion by Rasch, second Schemmel that the City will no longer be purchasing Christmas Wreaths with Rotary. All approve. Motion carried. The city appreciates all the wreaths we currently have and Bancroft Rotary for partnering to get them. The city would look forward to other projects with Rotary.

Motion by Rasch, second Schemmel to purchase CAT-GateP Plus Computer Monitoring for Electric Generators for \$10,266. All approve. Motion carried.

Motion by Schemmel, second Richter to approve paying invoices to Veenstra and Kimm, Inc. Project # 41629 Invoice 6 - \$7392 and Project # 41623 Invoice #9 \$550 and Project # 41624 Invoice #1 \$290. All approve. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:22PM on motion by Schemmel, second Richter. All approve. Motion carried.

Mayor Tom McCleish

Crysti Neuman

