

City of Bancroft
Regular Council Meeting
September 9, 2013
7:00 PM

Minutes –

Mayor Johnson opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance at 7:02 PM.

Roll Call was taken with Stan Lowe, Phil Jaren, Corey Rasch, Nancy Shillington, and Robert Richter. Staff present was Crysti Neuman, City Director, Tim Rowlet, Utility Clerk, and Brian Hatten Utility Superintendent. Other Guests present were Brent Bierstadt and Josh Anderson, Bisso Wireless, Drew Sweeres ,from Veenstra & Kimm, and Mary Richter.

Director Neuman asked for an item to be placed on agenda as the information came to the office, late afternoon today. The item to be added is Discussion and Possible Action regarding applying for housing rehab grant with a Public Hearing to be held November 11, 2013.

Motion by Jaren, second Corey to approve amended agenda. All approve. Motion carried.

Discussion during consent agenda included letting the Council know that Utility Superintendent Brian Hatten met with Governor Branstad at a meeting with NIACOG and Cornbelt discussing laws about carbon control that may affect utilities. Director Neuman will send letter to government officials concerning Farm to Market Roads in the city. Motion by Rasch, second Jaren to approve the Consent Agenda. All approve. Motion carried.

Motion Lowe, second Shillington to approve the bills. All approve. Motion carried.

No one spoke at Public Forum.

Brent Bierstadt from Bisso Wireless explained how a citywide wireless system would work. They will work with City employees to find the best locations and to work out details. Motion Rasch, second Jaren to move forward with working on an agreement with Bisso Wireless to provide Wireless internet for the City of Bancroft. All approve. Motion carried.

Robert Richter would like for the City to aggressively find the source of infiltration before starting any expansion of the lagoon. Council agreed. Council noted that Veenstra & Kimm have been excellent to work with on this and would like to continue working with and using their expertise on the matter. Drew Sweeres from Veenstra & Kimm will bring Cities concerns to Tim Moreau and Director Neuman will follow up with him. Motion Richter, second Jaren to hire Brian Klein to smoke test all sewers in the City of Bancroft. All approve. Motion carried.

Library Proposal tabled till next board meeting on 10-14-13.

Motion Rasch, second Jaren to approve Liquor License for Main Street Pub. All approve. Motion carried.

Motion Jaren, second Rasch to set City of Bancroft burn dates from September 20, 2013 to November 20, 2013. All approve. Motion carried.

Sealed Bids for 2001 Chevy Impala, Police car were opened and read by Mayor Johnson and recorded by Director Neuman. Bids were as follows: Gunar Olson-\$985, Dean Menke- \$650, Dan Pruett- \$758, Art Ingalls- \$1500, Mike and Deb Doocy- \$925, Akhtar Naviwala-\$707. Motion Richter, second Lowe to award bid of \$1500 to Art Ingalls. All approve. Motion carried.

Sealed Bids for 2000 Johnston Street Sweeper were opened and read by Mayor Johnson and recorded by Director Neuman. Bids were as follows: Rick Buffington-\$695 and Randy Kabrick-\$1200. Motion Shillington, second Jaren to award bid of \$1200 to Randy Kabrick. All approve. Motion carried.

No action needed on disposal of leaves.

Director Neuman will send a certified second letter to Doug Johnson in regards to Stonebridge Suites TIF agreement.

Motion Jaren, second Rasch to run water line from main on Ramsey to Memorial Field. All approve. Motion carried.

Motion Jaren, second Rasch to accept bid from Ziegler for \$122,488 for catalytic converter for generator to be compliant with Neshap/Rice rule. All approve. Motion carried.

BMU donation for upkeep of Community Sign died for lack of motion. All approve. Motion carried.

Motion Richter, second Rasch motion to apply for housing rehab grant with a Public Hearing to be held November 11, 2013. All approve. Motion carried.

Committee meetings have been set-

Jobs Analysis/Salaries and Parks and Recreation – 12:00 PM on Thursday, September 12, 2013.

Water/Sewer – 5:00 PM on Wednesday, September 18, 2013.

Parks/Recreation will be set in September or early October as Commission members need to be notified.

Motion Rasch, second Jaren to adjourn meeting at 10:04 PM. All approve. Motion carried.

Mayor Thomas Johnson

Attest: Crysti Neuman, City Director