

CITY OF BARRON
MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE BARRON CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
THURSDAY, March 23, 2017 – 5:30 PM
CITY HALL, 1456 E. LaSalle Ave, BARRON WI 54812

1. Call to order

Mayor David Vruwink called a Special Meeting of the City of Barron Common Council to order at 5:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 23, 2017, pursuant to due notice. Roll call: Councilpersons Rod Nordby, Kevin Haller, Mark Thompson, Tony Allen, Maureen Tollman, and Mike Dietrich were present. A quorum of was confirmed. Also present were City Administrator-Clerk/Treasurer Bob Kazmierski, and MSA Client Service Manager Dave Wierzba.

2. Public Comments

Dave Wierzba provided an update on 3rd and 6th Street project. A pre-construction conference will be held at City hall on April 13, 2017 at 3pm. This meeting will be posted and all elected officials are invited to attend. MSA Engineering Technician Lori Raven will be doing construction observation.

3. Consideration and approval of Rolling Oaks Signage Options and “Olson’s” dedication sign

Alderman Allen met with the Golf Board, Inc. to elicit their input and recommendation to City Council. Graphic House signage is most preferred. Did request that the font of Golf Course be increased in size. Graphic House did reduce cost to \$28,495. Nordby requested that the sign be increased in size to a 10’ X 10’ or 10’ X 8’ sign and make both bases the same size. Allen will request change in proposal from Graphic House. Need to convene another meeting set for April 4th @ 5:30 PM. City Clerk will post meeting and Utility Clerk will take minutes. Olson dedication sign is acceptable.

4. Consideration and approval of donating old Tennis Court fence to Humane Society

Kazmierski reported that representatives from the Humane Society will provide an insurance certificate. Motion to Nordby, seconded by Allen, to donating old Tennis Court fence to Humane Society; voice vote: Ayes-5 Nays-0 Abstain-1 (Tollman) Motion carried.

5. Consideration and approval of donating old Hockey Building to Mahlon Schrock

Kazmierski reported the City Attorney Harrington has prepared an Indemnification and Hold Harmless Agreement and release of claims that will be signed by all parties prior to demolition. Motion to Tollman, seconded by Nordby, to donating old Hockey Building to Mahlon Schrock; voice vote: Ayes-6 Nays-0 Motion carried.

6. Discussion of 2016 and 2017 undesignated funds expenditures

Kazmierski shared with the council a chart that explained the status of unassigned fund balance over the past year. There have been several unbudgeted expenses that have impacted the unassigned fund balance. In fact, 60% of the undesignated funds have been spent since January, 2016. Haller acknowledged that many expenditures had been spent without planning. Dietrich pointed out that many of these expenditures are for projects that improve the quality of life in Barron and questioned the concern. Mayor Vruwink expressed the need to build the fund balance back up.

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7. Adjournment- Duly moved to adjourn by unanimous consent at 6:13 p.m.

These minutes were taken at a regular meeting held on March 23, 2017 and entered in this record book, April, XX 2017:

Prepared by Bob Kazmierski, City Administrator-Clerk/Treasurer
City of Barron

APPROVED