

City of Bigfork

Work Session & Regular City Council Meeting

August 10, 2016

7:00 p.m.

Members Present: Mayor Amy Pifher, Eric Storlie, Peter Johnson

Members Absent: Andrew Francisco, Randy Nei

Also Present: Joe Zimmer, Warren & Caroline Welch, Becky Passeri, Aaron Gould

Mayor Pifher called the work session to order at 7:00 p.m. Annexation and a contract with Widseth Smith & Nolting were added to the agenda. Continuation of skate park discussion was removed from the agenda.

Jim Wetzal introduced himself and expressed concerns about nighttime use of and access to the beach property. This issue was added to the agenda.

Pifher closed the work session and opened the regular meeting at 7:17 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and Pifher opened the public forum. As no one wished to address the Council, the public forum was closed.

Motion by Johnson to approve the agenda as amended during the work session, seconded by E. Storlie, motion carried unanimously (MCU).

Consent Agenda: Motion by Johnson, seconded by E. Storlie and carried unanimously to approve the consent agenda including:

- 1. minutes of the July 12th regular City Council meeting,***
- 2. City Clerk's office report for July 2016,***
- 3. Financial reports for July 2016,***
- 4. Public Works Department report for July 2016,***
- 5. payroll and timecards for July 15th and 29th paydays in the amount of \$5,969.28***
- 6. claims paid in the amount of \$5,235.19 and claims for payment in the amount of \$26,952.69***

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

WSN Contract for PFA Application: This contract authorizes Widseth, Smith & Nolting to apply to the Public Facilities Authority for funding for well #6 on the City's behalf. ***Motion to authorize Mayor Pifher to sign the contract by Johnson, seconded by E. Storlie, MCU.***

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2016-09 – Preliminary Budget & Levy: Johnson expressed an interest in budgeting for part time summer workers in 2017. The Clerk calculated the impact of two 30-hour per week

positions on the general tax levy. This would result in a 7.42% increase over the 2016 levy. The levy can be decreased but not increased from what is set for the preliminary amount.

Motion by Johnson to set the preliminary tax levy at a 7.42% increase over the 2016 levy amount, seconded by E. Storlie, MCU. The Council agreed to more discussion after preliminary tax notices are mailed to property owners and before the final levy is set.

Resolution 2016-10 – IRRRB Commercial Redevelopment Grant Application: This resolution authorizes the City to apply for and accept grant funds from the IRRRB for the demolition of the building located on the corner of Elm Street and Main Avenue. ***Motion by Johnson, seconded by E. Storlie to approve Resolution 2016-10, MCU.***

Resolution 2016-11 – IRRRB Public Works Infrastructure Grant Application: This resolution authorizes the City to apply for and accept grant funds from the IRRRB for the well #6 project. ***Motion by Johnson, seconded by E. Storlie to approve Resolution 2016-11, MCU.***

Approval of Bid Documents for City Hall Restoration Project: ***Motion to approve the bid documents by Johnson, seconded by E. Storlie, MCU.*** The advertisement for bids will be published immediately with sealed bids due to the City Clerk's office by September 1, 2016. A special Council meeting will be held that same day to award the bid.

Annexation: Johnson asked about properties that are out of city limits but have city water and sewer services. The Planning & Zoning Commission discussed these properties recently and a determination was made not to pursue annexation. Johnson will bring this back up at the next Planning & Zoning Commission meeting.

OTHER

Beach Use Issues: The Public Works Department was directed to begin opening and closing the gate each day as was done last summer.

Mayor Pifher closed the meeting at 7:57 p.m. for the purpose of conducting an employee performance review.

Mayor Pifher reopened the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

Motion to adjourn by Johnson at 8:30 p.m., seconded by E. Storlie, MCU.

Angela L. Storlie
City Clerk/Treasurer

Approved at the regular meeting held on
September 13, 2016

Mayor