

**CITY OF REED CITY
REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
July 18, 2016**

Mayor McKinney called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers, 227 East Lincoln Avenue, Reed City, Michigan.

Present Mayor, Karen Lea McKinney. Council Members: Marlene Fatum, Trevor Guiles, Roger Meinert, Dave Scharlow and Carol Tillotson arrived at 7:02 P.M. David Bisbee was absent. City Manager, Ron Howell and City Attorney, Nathan Piwowarski were also present. Department Heads, Curt Brackenrich, Chief Chuck Davis, Rich Rehkopf and Fire Chief Jeff Stein also attended. The meeting was opened with the pledge to the flag. Citizens were in the audience.

Add/Deletions Addition to the Agenda under New Business: #4. Crossroads Festival downtown areas and #5. Councilman eligibility.

Minutes Motion by Fatum, seconded by Guiles, **CARRIED**, to accept the minutes of the June 20, 2016 regular meeting as presented. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, McKinney, Fatum, Guiles and Tillotson. Voting no were, Meinert and Scharlow.

Motion by Meinert, seconded by Guiles, **CARRIED**, to table the minutes of the June 27, 2016 special meeting. Affirmed by voice vote.

Bills Motion by Tillotson, seconded by Fatum, **CARRIED**, to approve paying bills as presented in the amount of \$233,490.33. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Guiles, Fatum, Tillotson and McKinney. Voting no were, Scharlow and Meinert.

Audience Ed Lazar, a member of the Telephone Pioneers, requested permission to relocate the Memorial Board located by the little mac bridge to the Rambadt Park area where it would be more assessable.

Motion by Scharlow, seconded by Meinert, **CARRIED**, to authorize the members of the Telephone Pioneers to relocate their memorial board from the Little Mac Bridge to the north side between the walk way and horseshoe pit at Rambadt Park. Affirmed by voice vote.

Jack Rafter, Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber, presented a power point summary of the Facilities Condition Evaluation at the W.W.T.P.

Darrell Fenstermach, Independent Rural Waste, appeared to suggest a permit fee be imposed on the construction companies who have temporary roll offs brought into town. He feels the Commercial Haulers permit fee is unfair and outdated when other companies are allowed to drop temporary roll offs and not have a permit fee imposed on them. He would like the City to eliminate the Commercial Haulers fee.

Greg Windquist and Steve Wessells, of the Reed City Youth Sports, presented a drawing of city owned property which adjoins the Reed City Youth Sports property. The group is interested in obtaining this property to develop a practice field/soccer field. They were asking the property be donated to Reed City Youth Sports with a clause that if the group ever dissolves, the property would revert back to the City.

Reports Chief Jeff Stein, Fire Department., Chief Chuck Davis, Police Department, Rich Rehkopf, DPW, and Curt Brackenrich, WWTP, filed written reports.

A moment of silence was held for the Police Officers of Dallas.

Chief Davis advised Council he would like to seek quotes to sell surplus handguns to dealers and would present quotes at the next regular meeting.

- Ferric Motion by Scharlow, seconded by Fatum, **CARRIED**, to approve the bid from Webb Chemical in the amount of \$464/dry ton delivered for ferric chloride for the W.W.T.P. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Fatum, Guiles, McKinney, Meinert, Scharlow and Tillotson.
- Sidewalk Motion by Scharlow, seconded by Fatum, **CARRIED**, to approve the bid from Rogers & Johnson Concrete in the amount of \$4.35 per square foot for sidewalks, ADA ramps and additional work. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Tillotson, McKinney, Guiles, Scharlow, Meinert and Fatum.
- Tree Removal Motion by Scharlow, seconded by Meinert, **CARRIED**, to approve the bid from Cook's Tree Service in the amount of \$2,300.00 for tree removal on E. Church Avenue. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, McKinney, Fatum, Meinert, Guiles, Scharlow and Tillotson.
- Veteran's Sign Motion by Fatum, seconded by Meinert, **CARRIED**, to approve the Veteran's Parking sign as presented to be located at City Hall and the Depot. Affirmed by voice vote.
- ADA Swing Motion by Guiles, seconded by Scharlow, **CARRIED**, to approve the quote from Play Environments Inc. in the amount of \$2,965.00 for a single post swing, ADA seat and border timbers. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Scharlow, Meinert, Guiles, Fatum, Tillotson and McKinney.
- Nuisance Motion by Meinert, seconded by Tillotson, **FAILED**, to table action on the Resolution Declaring the Residential Structure at 346 W. Franklin a Public Nuisance. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Tillotson, Scharlow and Meinert. Voting no were, Fatum, McKinney and Guiles.

Motion by Fatum, seconded by Guiles, **CARRIED**, to approve the Resolution Declaring the Residential Structure at 346 W. Franklin a Public Nuisance. Affirmed by voice vote.

**CITY OF REED CITY RESOLUTION
DECLARING THE RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE AT
346 W FRANKLIN A PUBLIC NUISANCE**

WHEREAS, The residential structure at 346 W Franklin has been abandoned by its owner and is deteriorated due to age, neglect, and lack of reasonable and proper care and maintenance, and

WHEREAS, The City Council on behalf of the people of Reed City has the responsibility to review and declare such structures as public nuisances which adversely affect the health safety and welfare of the residents and members of the general public, and

WHEREAS, the City has determined the building located at 346 W. Franklin, Reed City, to be unfit for human use or habitation because of dilapidation, defects increasing the hazards of fire or accidents, structural defects and other conditions which render the structure unsafe, unsanitary or otherwise inimical to the general welfare of the City, and conditions which provide a general blight upon the area and surrounding properties, so

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Reed City does hereby order the demolition and clearing of 346 W. Franklin in the City of Reed City within 30 days in the best interest of the people of the City of Reed City in accordance with all applicable local and state laws.

- F.D. Radios Motion by Meinert, seconded by Guiles, **CARRIED**, to approve the bid from Grand Traverse Mobile Communications in the amount of \$9,919.25 for Kenwood 800 MHz radios for the Fire Department and investigate rebates and trade-ins with total not to exceed \$10,000.00. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Meinert, Scharlow, Fatum, McKinney, Guiles and Tillotson.
- Wage & Salary Motion by Guiles, seconded by Tillotson, **CARRIED**, to table the Wage and Salary Resolution until the union contract is approved. Affirmed by voice vote.

- Fire Contracts Motion by Scharlow, seconded by Fatum, **CARRIED**, to approve a six (6) month extension on the current Fire Contracts with Richmond Township, Chase Township and Pinora Township. Affirmed by voice vote.
- Bids Motion by Scharlow, seconded by Meinert, **CARRIED**, to authorize seeking bids for the W. Stimson water main project. Affirmed by voice vote.
- Prop & Liab. Motion by Guiles, seconded by Scharlow, **CARRIED**, to authorize seeking bids for Property and Liability Insurance and to extend the current policy by one (1) month. Affirmed by voice vote.
- Festival Motion by Scharlow, seconded by Fatum, **CARRIED**, to approve the use of the downtown areas as presented for the 2016 Festival. Affirmed by voice vote.
- Eligibility Motion by Guiles, seconded by Tillotson, **CARRIED**, to authorize the Mayor to speak with David Bisbee regarding his eligibility to hold office. Affirmed by voice vote.
- Consent Motion by Guiles, seconded by Fatum, **CARRIED**, to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Affirmed by voice vote.
- Committee No committees have met.
- City Manager Ron Howell updated council on the following: Provided a copy of the resignation of Janet Campau as Rambadt Park host effective the end of this camping season. Requested permission to seek quotes to update the Income Tax Feasibility Study. Reported back with a spreadsheet of single family home converted to multi-family. Requested a closed door session at the end of the meeting for the purpose of union negotiating strategy. Ron advised Council there is a parcel of City owned property north of Yoplait being used by Yoplait just outside of their loading dock. Uncompleted Items List.
- Tax Study Motion by Meinert, seconded by Fatum, **CARRIED**, to authorize the City Manager to obtain quotes to update the Income Tax Feasibility Study. Affirmed by voice vote.
- Rentals Motion by Guiles, seconded by Meinert, **CARRIED**, directing the City Manager to proceed forward with the next step with the single family homes that have been converted to multi-family. Affirmed by voice vote.
- Lease Motion by Meinert, seconded by Fatum, **CARRIED**, to authorize the City Manager to investigate a lease or easement for Yoplait's use of the City parcel being used in front of their loading dock. Affirmed by voice vote.
- Bills Mayor McKinney appointed Trevor Guiles to review bills prior to the next meeting.
- Council Trevor Guiles reported a sink hole on the Pere Marquette trail east of Patterson Road. Marlene Fatum advised she would be gone for the August Council Meeting.

Dave Scharlow let the council chambers at 10:33 P.M.
Dave Scharlow returned to the council chamber at 10:34 P.M.
- Audience Alan Gingrich, introduced himself as incumbent running for re-election on August 2, 2016 for the Osceola County Road Commission.

Darrell Fenstermacher of Independent Waste Services, inquired if he needs to be on the Agenda in August regarding action on the Commercial Hauler Permit fee as it was created years ago and is outdated.

Closed Door Motion by McKinney, seconded by Tillotson, **CARRIED**, to enter into closed door session for the purpose of union negotiating strategy. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Fatum, Guiles, McKinney, Meinert, Scharlow and Tillotson.

Council went into closed session at 10:36 P.M.

Council returned to open session at 11:18 P.M.

No decisions were made in closed session.

Adjourn Motion by McKinney, seconded by Fatum, **CARRIED**, to adjourn the meeting at 11:18 P.M.

Jacalyn R. Beam
City Clerk