

**CITY OF REED CITY
REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
September 15, 2014**

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

- Present** Mayor, Bonnie Danzeisen. Council Members: David Bisbee arrived at 7:00 P.M. after the pledge to the flag, Marlene Fatum, Karen McKinney, Roger Meinert, Dave Scharlow and Carol Tillotson. City Attorney, David Porteous was also present. Department Heads, Curt Brackenrich, Chuck Davis, Jim Decker and Barbara Westerburg also attended. The meeting was opened with the pledge to the flag. Citizens were in the audience.
- Agenda/Add** Additions to the Agenda: Under Audience Presentations, Kendall Andrews, under New Business, No. 10, Resolution on submitting to Par Plan for a grant for the Fire Dept., and No. 11, Discussion and Action on adopting Michigan's new minimum wage for City Employees.
- Minutes** Motion by Scharlow, seconded by McKinney, **CARRIED**, to accept the minutes of the August 18, 2014 regular meeting as presented. Affirmed by voice vote.
- Sp. Minutes** Motion by Scharlow, seconded by Fatum, **CARRIED**, to accept the minutes of the August 28, 2014 special meeting as presented. Affirmed by voice vote.
- Bills** Motion by Fatum, seconded by McKinney, **CARRIED**, to approve paying bills in the amount of \$182,726.65 as presented. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Scharlow, Meinert, Bisbee, Danzeisen, Fatum, Tillotson and McKinney.
- Audience** Suzie Williams, from Chamber of Commerce, was unable to attend the meeting as scheduled.
- Kendall Andrews, of 423 W. Todd Avenue, addressed council regarding the new Brewery in town. He was upset that another liquor establishment was being put in town and that the City was going to loan the brewery money for remodeling. Mr. Andrews ask the council to reconsider their decision as he feels having a new pub in town will add to more serious problems within the City.
- Reports** Chief Decker, Fire Dept., Chief Davis, Police Department, Tom Plummer, DPW, and Curt Brackenrich, WWTP, filed written reports.
- Chief Davis recognized Sergeant Gary Cole with a Certificate of Appreciation in honor of his retirement for more than 40 years of law enforcement service in Michigan. Chief Davis told council that Cole is dedicated and a model of the department policy.
- MDOT** Motion by Scharlow, seconded by Fatum, **CARRIED**, to adopt Resolution 2014-3, designating Ron Howell as Contract Administrator and Thomas Plummer as Maintenance Superintendent for the Michigan Department of Transportation Contract for the period of October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2019. Affirmed by a unanimous voice vote.

**RESOLUTION
Resolution 2014-3**

Councilperson SCHARLOW offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Municipal Trunkline Maintenance Contract between the MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION and the CITY OF REED CITY for the period October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2019, is hereby accepted and RON HOWELL is designated as Contract Administrator and THOMAS PLUMMER is designated as Maintenance Superintendent of Sections of State Trunkline Highways as shown on the Municipal Route Map and Budget Sheets.

The following City Officials: **BONNIE DANZEISEN, MAYOR**, and **RON HOWELL, CITY MANAGER**, are authorized to sign said maintenance contract.

Supported by Councilperson FATUM.

ADOPTED: Yeas: McKinney, Scharlow, Bisbee, Meinert, Danzeisen, Tillotson and Fatum.
Nays: None. Absent: None.

Ordinance Motion by McKinney, seconded by Scharlow, **CARRIED**, to adopt Ordinance No. 002-2014 and Ordinance to amend the water ordinance to include bill adjustment and thaw-related repairs. Affirmed by a unanimous voice vote.

Ordinance No. 002-2014

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF REED CITY BY REVISING SECTION 1040.10 AND ADDING SECTION 1040.19 OF CHAPTER 1040 OF PART 10, TITLE 4 OF SAID CODIFIED ORDINANCES.

The City ordains:

Section 1040.10(e) BILL ADJUSTMENT, is amended to read as follows:

(a) If a meter has been tested at the request of a consumer and shall have been determined to register "fast" the City shall credit the consumer with a sum equal to the percent "fast" multiplied by the amount of all bills incurred by said consumer within the three months prior to the test, and if a meter so tested is determined to register "slow", the Department may collect from the consumer a sum equal to the percent "slow" multiplied by the amount of all the bills incurred by the consumer for the prior three months. When the Department on its own initiative makes a test of a water meter, it shall be done without cost to the consumer, other than his or her paying the amount due the City for water used by him or her, as above provided, if the meter is found to be slow.

(b) The City Manager, in his or her discretion, and without prior City Council approval, may issue a "run water" notice, if the City Manager believes such a notice is prudent to safeguard the City's water distribution system. The City Manager may also rescind such a notice in his or her discretion. If the City Manager issues a "run water" notice, the consumer may ask to be added a "run water" list maintained by the Department. For each month the "run water" notice is active, the Department shall credit said consumer's bill in the amount of the difference between the amount metered in that month, and the average of the consumer's meter for the three months preceding the issuance of the "run water" notice. In no case, however, may said consumer's credit for such a month exceed the fee for the use of 6,000 gallons per month.

Section 1040.19 THAW-RELATED REPAIRS, is added, and shall read as follows:

If the City incurs costs to restore or repair a connection to a consumer on account of frost damage (including the thawing of a water line), the City and consumer shall each be responsible for one-half of these costs.

Effective Date: Thirty days after publication

This ordinance was introduced on August 18, 2014, by Councilperson SCHARLOW.

On the 15th day of September, 2014, upon the motion by Councilperson MCKINNEY, and seconded by Councilperson SCHARLOW this ordinance was adopted.

Voting yeas: Bisbee, Fatum, Tillotson, Danzeisen, Meinert, Scharlow and McKinney.
Voting nays: None.

W.W.T.P. Motion by Scharlow, seconded by Fatum, **CARRIED**, to approve the quote from Pete's Contracting in the amount of \$7,850.00 for repairs caused by flooding in the spring to the effluent discharge outfall at the W.W.T.P. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Scharlow, Bisbee, McKinney, Fatum, Tillotson, Danzeisen and Meinert.

Fire Dept. Motion by Bisbee, seconded by McKinney, **CARRIED**, to approve the fund raiser of the Reed City Fire Fighters Association Santa's Sleigh (Bed) Race on November 29, 2014, using the 100 & 200 block of West Upton and a "Little Elves" foot race for children. Affirmed by voice vote.

City Hall Server Motion by Scharlow, seconded by Fatum, **CARRIED**, to authorize City Hall to obtain bids for a new server and essentials for City Hall. Affirmed by voice vote.

WA/SW line Discussion and action on water and sewer line claim of M. Loehr-Rhowmine at 426 Morse was tabled until the next meeting in order for the City Manager to clarify amount of reimbursement to M. Loehr-Rhowmine.

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- Sewer Claim Motion by McKinney, seconded by Bisbee, **CARRIED**, to approve reimbursement payment to Darlene Fuller in the amount of \$1,125.00 for City's 50% portion of a sewer backup/line repair claim at 211 W. Upton Avenue. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, McKinney, Fatum, Meinert, Bisbee, Danzeisen, Scharlow and Tillotson.
- Wages Motion by Scharlow, seconded by McKinney, **CARRIED**, to approve a wage increase for Election Inspectors to \$9.00 per hour and the Chairperson to \$10.00 per hour. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Bisbee, Scharlow, McKinney, Tillotson, Fatum, Meinert and Danzeisen.
- Liaison Officer Discussion and action on renewing the Agreement with the School for a school liaison officer was tabled as the Agreement was not available for the Council to review. A special meeting was suggested.
- Halloween Motion by Bisbee, seconded by McKinney, **CARRIED**, to observe Halloween Trick or Treat night on Friday, October 31, 2014, from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. Affirmed by voice vote.
- Halloween in the Park Motion by Scharlow, seconded by Fatum, **CARRIED**, to allow Halloween in the Park on Saturday, October 11, 2014 from 1:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M. Affirmed by voice vote.
- Par Plan Grant Motion Scharlow, seconded by Meinert, **CARRIED**, approving Resolution authorizing the Fire Department to submit a grant application to the Michigan Township Participating Plan for a "Lucas 2" mechanical CPR device and authorize the Assistant Fire Chief, David Belden to sign. Affirmed by unanimous voice vote.

Councilperson Bisbee left the council chambers at 7:47 P.M.

- Minimum Wage Motion by Fatum, seconded by Scharlow, **CARRIED**, to adopt the new Michigan minimum wage of \$8.15 per hour for City employees. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, McKinney, Scharlow, Meinert, Danzeisen, Tillotson and Fatum.

- Consent Motion by Fatum, seconded by McKinney, **CARRIED**, to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Affirmed by voice vote.

- Committee No Committees have met.

Councilperson Bisbee returned to the council chambers at 7:49 P.M.

- City Manager Ron Howell was at the ICMA Conference and not in attendance at the meeting. In the packet for Council he reported the following:
1. DDA Report – Loan Program update.
 2. Osceola Co. Building Inspector report - single family house converted to multi-family.
 3. Turning water on/off fees.
 4. Osceola County Flood Disaster Grant.
 5. Uncompleted Items list.

- GRCARA Motion by Danzeisen, seconded by Meinert, **CARRIED**, to re-appoint Martha Jones and Laura Seay to the Greater Reed City Area Recreation Authority term ending September 30, 2016. Affirmed by voice vote.

- Bills Mayor Danzeisen appointed David Bisbee to review bills prior to the next meeting.

- Audience Lance Cornelius, of the Osceola County Jail Ministry, appeared before council and stated the majority of those in jail are there due to substance and alcohol abuse. He feels it is a bad use of tax papers money to give the new Brewery in town a loan of money.

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Ken Andrews of 423 W. Todd, addressed council again as he wanted an answer from the Council if they were going ahead with having a third liquor establishment in the downtown. Councilman Meinert explained that residents had opportunities to voice their concern and failed to do so prior to council approval of the loan last month.

Duane Pletcher of 845 S. Chestnut, voiced his concern against the new brewery that it will contribute to additional drunk driving in our community and harm to others.

Doug Kinney of 303 W. Stimson, also voice his opposition to the brewery and using his tax dollars to give them a loan.

Adjourn Motion by Scharlow, seconded by McKinney, **CARRIED**, to adjourn at 8:02 P.M.

Jacalyn R. Beam
City Clerk