

Regular Meeting Minutes of the McBain City Council April 14, 2014
held at the meeting room of the fire barn.

Present: Dykhouse, Stahl, Lutke, Heethuis(7:15), Heuker, Scholten, M. Smith, Jones, Fisher, H. Heuker, Chuck DeCator, Don Schepers, Erin Roby, Rich Kramer

Absent:

Called to Order by Mayor Dykhouse @ 7:00pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation by Clark Dykhouse

- **Motion** by Stahl, supported by Lutke to approve March minutes with amendments, approved 4-0 roll call vote.
- **Motion** by Lutke, supported by Lutke to approve Feb Budget Hearing minutes , approved 4-0 roll call vote.
- **Motion** by Lutke, supported by Stahl to approve Financials, approved 4-0 roll call vote.

Public Input-

- **Motion** by Stahl, supported by Lutke to approve Erin Roby's request to use city streets for Homecoming Days July 18 and 19, 2014, approved 4-0 roll call vote.
- Rick Kramer reported on abandoned vehicles. Council recommends a written warning giving resident 30 days to become compliant or a ticket will be issued.

Old Business-

- City Website- Lutke reported excellent progress with Revize .
- Utility Rates – Stahl submitted committee report. **Motion** by Lutke, supported Heuker to table the report for further study, approved by roll call vote 4-1. Yea-Heethuis, Heuker, Lutke, Scholten; nay- Stahl. All committee work must come to council before going to the public.
- Contract committee – Lutke submitted committee report regarding scope of services for future economic development leadership.

New Business

- **Motion** by Lutke, supported by Heethuis that the council accepts Scope of Service position being posted with ending date of May 30th 2014 and committee appointed to respond to applicants. Approved by roll call vote 5-0.
- **Motion** by Lutke, supported by Heethuis that the council continues to pay Michigan Enterprises month to month for May, June and July. Approved by roll call vote 5-0.
- **Motion** by Heethuis, supported by Stahl to have Stahl and Lutke continue as committee to follow through with Scope of Service to the end of the process, approved 4-1. Yea-Heethuis, Lutke, Scholten, Stahl; Nay- Heuker.
- **Motion** by Lutke, supported by Stahl to accept 2013/2014 budget amendments as presented, approved by roll call vote 5-0.
- Chuck DeCator and Don Schepers were considered for the open seat on city council. Council voted 3-2 to appoint Chuck DeCator to fill out the remainder of this term. Chuck DeCator was sworn in as new council member.
- **Motion** by Scholten, supported by DeCator to accept the resignation of Kris Bowen from the TIFA/DDA board and to accept the mayor's appointment of Tyler Lutke as the new TIFA/DDA board member. Approved by roll call vote 6-0.
- Labor Committee- Heuker submitted the committee report. Committee assignments will be reconfigured by Mayor. **Motion** by Heethuis, supported by Scholten to hire Sue Heuker as seasonal part time employee @ \$10.00/hour to take care of flowers (both roadside and flower containers). Approved by roll call vote, Yea-Heethuis, Lutke(section 5.10 b of City Charter), DeCator, Scholten; Nay- Stahl; Abstain- Heuker.
- Mayor Dykhouse presented a quote from Pathfinder for \$62,000 to engineer the RR spur on east side of Cherry St. **Motion** by Heuker, supported by Lutke to allow TIFA/DDA to engineer RR across the 80 acres of city property, approved by roll call vote 6-0
- **Motion** by Stahl, supported by Lutke to establish an Economic Development Committee for the City by mayor appointment, approved by roll call vote 6-0. Lutke, Heuker and Dykhouse volunteered to serve on this committee.
- **Motion** by Heethuis, supported by Heuker to add the web site administrator salary(\$1000.00) to Heidi Heuker's salary beginning in May, 2014, approved by roll call vote 6-0
- **Motion** by Heethuis, supported by Lutke to put Local agency disbursement state revenue monies into our Local Street fund, approved by roll call vote 6-0.

DPW Report

Craig will give notice to stop the "run water notice". Council granted permission to present pickup proposal, Grid Bee proposal and building alarm system proposal to TIFA/DDA

Michigan Enterprises Report

- **Motion** to adjourn by Heuker, supported by Scholten approved by roll call vote 6-0.

Adjourned @ 11:00pm

Marcia Smith
McBain City Clerk