

BOVEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
December 20, 2023
6:00 p.m. Council Meeting
Virtual via Teams or In-Person Club Room

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Stein called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Members present were Nancilyn Meyer, Deborah Trbojevich, Robert Lawson, and Robert Stein. Trevor Guyer was absent.

PRESENT: Staff present were Rick Rogich, Jestine Casey, John Dimich, Alan Johnson, Bryan Johnson, Kevin Odden and Tara Halling. Also present were Michael Alton, Steve Hurd, Troy Otterson, and Derek Vekich.

APPROVE AGENDA: Motion Trbojevich 2nd Lawson. All in favor.

GUESTS: Derek Vekich -request for city to be fiscal agent for Middle School project- Vekich provided Council with a development agreement. Whitney from the IRRRB would like city involvement. IRRRB requires a resolution and development agreement. This will be discussed at the next workshop as Vekich needs the agreement by January 15th.

Troy Otterson – Tavern on the Range Utility Rates & Liquor License- Odden provided Council with one page of an ordinance adopted in the 1980s that established charges for various buildings and businesses, including the bar. Odden advised Otterson that nothing can be done to lower his rates because the ordinance must be followed. Any ordinance changes require Taconite and Coleraine’s approval.

PUBLIC FORUM: None.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Minutes from November 15th Council Meeting
2. Minutes from December 6th Truth & Taxation Hearing and Council Workshop
4. Disbursements for Claims and Payroll
5. Treasurer Report – November
6. Accept Beautiful Bovey Donations: D. Trbojevich \$500 & P. Walls \$100, Greenway Lion’s Club - \$750

Motion Lawson 2nd Meyer to approve the consent agenda. All in favor.

DEPARTMENT HEADS & COMMITTEES:

1. Engineer, Alan Johnson
 - a. Baratto Brothers Pay request 2 - \$37,543.05
Baratto Brothers pay request 3 - \$11,762.75
Motion Lawson 2nd Trbojevich to approve payment of both pay requests totaling \$49,305.80. All in favor.
 - b. Minnesota Power issue with buried lines at PW garage- Mayor Stein requested the clerk contact MP about this.
2. Police, Bryan Johnson
 - a. Administrative tickets- After the holidays, Johnson is hoping to have both Council’s approval and a plan for the money issue.

- b. Coleraine invoice for police services- Will hold off on payment for now.
 - c. Bovey's 2022 invoice to Coleraine not yet paid- Johnson advised that Coleraine Clerk Briana is okay with paying the invoice but feels gas should be removed as neither city has previously billed for gas. It was discussed that Briana and Tara should meet with council members from each city to review both invoices and maybe this can be done at the next fireboard meeting.
3. Public Works, Rick Rogich
- a. November Report- informational
 - b. Hydrant quote for RV dump station (DSG \$2,134.33). Motion Trbojevich 2nd Lawson to approve the purchase. All in favor.
 - c. Hydrant quotes at 2nd Ave & 3rd St (DSG \$5879.97; Core & Main \$5,847.02). Motion Lawson 2nd Meyer to approve the hydrant purchase from DSG at a cost of \$5,879.97. All in favor.
 - d. Public Works supervisor invoice- informational
 - e. Rogich's Contract Review- A closed meeting will be scheduled after the holidays.
 - f. Michael Finckbone – discuss number of hours, etc.- The city will try to keep him working 40 hours per week but will send him home if there is no work for him.
4. Planning & Zoning
- a. Trbojevich advised Alton that Council will review blight procedures after the Planning Commission has officially approved them.
5. Attorney, John Dimich
- a. Nothing to report.
6. City Council
- a. Aged Balances - informational
 - b. Bid Advertisements: V Plow -November 2020 & Club Cadet Rider- Jan & March 2021 & Garbage Truck- Jan 2023.- There was a discussion that no one bid on these items and Finckbone may be able to repair these.
 - c. FEMA – tabled until the workshop.
 - d. CEDA contract – Council opted to decline services for now.
7. Fire Board
- a. Residential Rental Housing Licensing and Inspection Ordinance Feasibility Study -informational
 - b. November meeting minutes- informational
8. Clerk, Jestine Casey
- a. Resolution 23-12-20A Authorizing Summary Publication of Ordinance Chapter 7. Motion Trbojevich 2nd Meyer. All in favor.
 - b. Resolution 23-12-20-1 Establishing 2024 Polling Place- Motion Lawson 2nd Trbojevich. All in favor.
 - c. Resolution 23-1220-02 Approving 2024 Tax Levy – Motion Lawson 2nd Meyer to approve a 3% increase for year payable 2024 amounting to \$531,720. Funds will be distributed as follows: General Fund

\$472,760; Library Fund \$ 32,095; GO Refunding Bonds 2016A \$ 26,865.
Roll call: Ayes: Trbojevich, Meyer, Lawson, Stein. Nays: none; Absent: Guyer. Passed.

d. Resolution 2023-1220-04 Adopting Library Budget- Motion Trbojevich 2nd Meyer. Roll call: Ayes: Trbojevich, Meyer, Lawson, Stein. Nays: none; Absent: Guyer. Passed.

e. Resolution 23-1220-03 Approving 2024 Budget- Motion Trbojevich 2nd Lawson to approve with a 3% increase from last year. Roll call: Ayes: Trbojevich, Meyer, Lawson, Stein. Nays: none; Absent: Guyer. Passed.

f. Resolution 23-1220-05 Enterprise Funds for 2024 Budget- Motion Lawson 2nd Trbojevich to approve. Roll call: Ayes: Trbojevich, Meyer, Lawson, Stein. Nays: none; Absent: Guyer. Passed.

g. ARP Funds request funds be allocated back to Public Works Garage- Motion Trbojevich 2nd Lawson. All in favor

h. Blandin grant- \$20k was allocated for trails and at a budget meeting, Tara suggested this year's trail expenses be paid for out of the Blandin Grant. Motion Trbojevich 2nd Lawson to make the necessary allocation changes to prior claims/disbursements for trails. All in favor.

I. Request to open sick leave accounts for Michael Finckbone and Jistine Casey. Motion Meyer 2nd Trbojevich. All in favor.

UNFINISHED

BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS: None.

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. WMMMPB November meeting minutes
2. LMC – annual dividend to Bovey-\$837
3. Scenic Range News- request for legal publication
4. Attorney Dimich- request city prosecutor reappointment
6. Widseth Services information
7. Bollig Engineering Introduction

ADJOURNMENT: Motion Trbojevich 2nd Meyer to adjourn at 8:00 p.m. All in favor.

Jistine Casey, Clerk

Robert Stein, Mayor

01/17/2024
Date approved