

City of McVile

April 7th, 2018 regular meeting minutes

All members were present. Also present were Auditor C. Arneson, Deputy auditor Brennan, Public works Johnson and Trostad, BCBS representatives Hunt and Greene and two members from the public.

Mayor Stein called the meeting to order at 7PM.

Member Trostad motioned to approve the agenda 2nd by member Hain, all approved.

Minutes from previous meeting needed a correction on the radiator fix was for the sewer jetter, not the water plant. Minutes were motioned for approval by member Czarnik, 2nd by member Urvand, all approved.

Public works report was given by Director Johnson. A storm drain collapsed on Main in front of Brandvold Const. Public works fixed the storm drain as best as possible by sealing the drain, but the street needs to be fixed around it. The spot has grown from 58ft last year to about 75ft this year. Suggestions from council were to get a few bids on fixing the issue. Tri- County Paving is often in the area and will be called for an estimate. A request was made to find help for the city with mowing this summer. In the past we've had people that qualified through "Experience Works" program.

Auditor C. Arneson gave a report on the extensive list of formal complaints pertaining to feral cats in the city. An abandoned shed on the side of town seems to be a housing location for them. They are coming into town due to residents feeding them. The cats are now causing damage to personal property due to the amount of spraying and clawing. It was suggested to send letter to ensure residents are aware of our ordinances and to search for advice from advocacy groups. The building will be addressed as per city ordinance as well. In addition, complaints have been documented pertaining to parked and inoperable vehicles around town. Those will also be addressed as per ordinance.

Financials motioned for approval by member Trostad, 2nd by member Urvand, motion passed. Bills were motioned for approval by member Urvand, 2nd by member Czarnik, motion passed.

Tri County water discussion was moved to the end of the agenda.

Carrie Hunt and Tim Greene with Blue Cross Blue Shield of ND gave a presentation on employee benefits packages. They discussed the current grandfathered in plan that the city currently holds and what a change to that plan would entail now and in the future. Information was left for each council member and Auditor Arneson has more information at the city office as well. Dental and vision coverage will be an option in the next few months, that information will be passed along as it is available. Council decided to table any decisions pertaining to employee health benefit policies until the next meeting.

Discussion on the repairs needed to city streets occurred. Holes and cracks will be filled and patched. A long-term plan is in consideration for future street maintenance.

A building permit for Stephanie Bina and Martin Olson was motioned for approval by member Urvand and 2nd for approval by member Trostad. Permit was approved.

The McVile Messenger was appointed as the official publishing location. Motioned by member Urvand 2nd by member Trostad, motioned carried.

Shade Tree Committee is hosting Arbor Day on the 21st of May. Richard Urvand will be honored this year. The committee asked the city to purchase 8''x10'' identification signage for each tree in the honoree row. Motioned by member Czarnik to allocate up to \$250 for the signage. Discussion occurred whether this should be the responsibility of

the Park Board and not the city. After discussion, motion was 2nd by member Hain. Member Trostad opposed, Urvand, Hain and Czarnik were in favor. Motion passed.

It was requested by the council that the city be given annual updates by the entities which receive city funding and/or are owned by the city. Entities listed were McVile Country Club, McVile Park Board, Shade Tree Committee, McVile Community Library, McVile Café and the McVile Municipal Airport.

Larry Jacobson made a formal request for consideration as an upcoming manager of the McVile Café. City council agreed that a special meeting would take place to review his submitted business plan and to interview Larry for this position. Larry mentioned that his family would be moving with him and his children had plans for their own businesses in the future.

Mike Donohue wanted to give credit to a resident he noticed cleaning up dog poo down at the dam. She was walking her own dog and cleaning up after other dogs as she walked. He also requested some follow up with the power station and some cable reels. John Trostad said he will speak with the owner.

Tri-County water discussion: A draft agreement was given to the City of McVile from Tri-County water. After review, council and the engineer, Eric Gilbertson from Moore, decided to have the draft looked over by an attorney. Discussion occurred about the ability of the Aquaphor and the instance of a severe drought. It was noted that the city of McVile will always take precedence over irrigation or any other dispersed water. A motion was made by member Czarnik to give Mayor Stein the ability to find an attorney. 2nd by member Trostad, motion passed.

Member Urvand made a motion to replace locks at the McVile Cafe, 2nd by member Trostad, motion passed.

Member Czarnik asked for a bike rack in front of the library. They would prefer one that is not cemented as to avoid any issues with snow removal. Motion made by member Czarnik to approve the purchase of a bike rack as long as it is under \$200. 2nd by member Hain. Motion was opposed by member Trostad, all others were in favor, motion passed.

The Kolenda annual agreement was reviewed and the decision to continue as is was made since they keep an eye on all our buildings bi-annually and what they offer was worth it to the city in the long run.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:45

A special meeting was called by Mayor Stein for 9AM Wed May 9th at the city office. The meeting will be to discuss the McVile Café lease and the request made by Larry Jacobson.