

BABBITT CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
September 7, 2011

The Regular meeting of the Babbitt City Council was called to order this date at 6:02 p.m. by Mayor Anderson.

Present for roll call were Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Marinaro, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson. None were absent.

Also present were City Attorney Brunfelt and Clerk Treasurer Klegstad.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

It was moved by Anderson, supported by Marinaro, to authorize the additions to the agenda as presented:

- a) Attorney's Report – Employee grievance
- b) Quotes for West Entrance City Hall, Recycle Pad, City Garage and Fire Hall
- c) Proposal for 2012 International Plow Truck

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Lassi, supported by Fitzpatrick, to approve the consent agenda as follows:

- a) Approve minutes of Regular meeting of August 15, 2011, and Special meeting of August 31, 2011
- b) Approve all bills and payrolls as audited by the Audit Committee with the exception of the Vermilion Sanitation bill
- c) Overtime reports

Ayes: Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Marinaro, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Lassi, supported by Anderson, to approve the Vermilion Sanitation bill as presented.

Ayes: Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson

Nays: None

Abstain: Councilor Marinaro

Motion declared carried.

Attorney Brunfelt mentioned the Teamsters Union 320 and 346 negotiations September 12, 2011, at 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. respectively.

It was moved by Anderson, supported by Marinaro, to close the meeting at 6:10 p.m. for preliminary consideration of allegations against a City employee.

Motion declared carried.

The meeting was reconvened at 6:45 p.m. and the preliminary session will stand in recess until Monday, September 12th at 1 p.m.

It was moved by Lassi, supported by Hoheisel, to deny the Local 320 Supervisor's grievance and have staff work with the City Attorney for an appropriate denial letter.

Motion declared carried.

After discussion, it was moved by Anderson, supported by Fitzpatrick, to go with the Mesabi Bituminous quote on the first two areas (west entrance City Hall and the Recycle Pad) at a cost of \$31,250, as recommended by Street Supervisor Rich Posey and postpone the City Garage and Fire Hall projects to add on the next street paving process.

Ayes: Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Marinaro, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Hoheisel, supported by Marinaro, to authorize Street Supervisor Posey to purchase a 2012 International plow truck through the State Coop Purchasing Bid at a cost of \$136,182.90.

Ayes: Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Marinaro, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

For the record, Councilor Marinaro requested information ahead of time for review.

It was moved by Hoheisel, supported by Fitzpatrick, to table the decision on the end of Cottonwood until John Kramer finishes surveying his lot.

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Fitzpatrick, supported by Anderson, to pay App No. 2 of \$110,081.06 to S.E.H. for SE Utility and Street Improvements.

Ayes: Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Marinaro, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Lassi, supported by Fitzpatrick, that we do not assess liquidated damages at this time for final completion dates being delayed.

Ayes: Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Marinaro, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

Travis Roseth, representing Little Rangers Daycare, invited the City Council to attend a future school board meeting for support and he feels the daycare benefits the community.

It was moved by Hoheisel, supported by Fitzpatrick, to authorize a licensed electrician to install lighting for glass artwork in the Library at no cost to the City, as requested by Richard Niss.

Motion declared carried.

Richard Niss thanked the City for the use of Satellite toilets and assistance from the Babbitt Police and Ambulance Departments during the Gene Ritsche Memorial Cross Country Meet held Thursday, September 1 at the Babbitt Golf Course.

It was Council consensus to receive as information solicitation for enhancement projects from the Minnesota Department of Transportation as or population does not meet the criteria of 5000 population or more.

It was moved by Lassi, supported by Fitzpatrick, to authorize payment of the 2012 League of Minnesota Cities dues in the amount of \$1,415.00.

Ayes: Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Marinaro, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Anderson, supported by Fitzpatrick, to authorize payment of the 2012 Minnesota Mayor's Membership fee in the amount of \$20.00.

Ayes: Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Marinaro, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Hoheisel, supported by Lassi, to authorize signatures on the Post Warranty Hardware and Software Maintenance and Support Agreement between Election Systems & Software, Inc., and the City of Babbitt at a cost of \$780.00 per year.

Ayes: Councilors Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, Marinaro, Lassi, and Mayor Anderson
Nays: None
Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

The Council received information from CDBG about conducting a survey to regain area wide project eligibility.

It was decided to appoint Councilors Hoheisel, Fitzpatrick, and Lassi on a committee to move forward with assisted living, and further, hold a meeting Thursday, October 13th, and post as a Council meeting.

Councilor Hoheisel thanked the individuals who did the cosmetic work on the north wing of the Municipal Center.

It was moved by Anderson, supported by Marinaro, to close the meeting at 7:37 p.m.

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Anderson, supported by Lassi, to open the closed session at 7:49 p.m.

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Anderson, supported by Lassi, to adjourn the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

Motion declared carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy A. Klegstad, Clerk-Treasurer

Wendy F. Schlueter, Minute Recorder

Attest:

Glenn A. Anderson, Mayor