

BABBITT CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
October 3, 2011

The Regular meeting of the Babbitt City Council was called to order this date at 6:01 p.m. by Mayor Anderson.

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

Also present were Clerk-Treasurer Klegstad and City Attorney Brunfelt.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

It was moved by Anderson, supported by Marinaro, to authorize the deletion of Resolution 2011-10, and add requests from Duane Lossing to discuss Arena, Principal Friedlieb asking permission for the Fire Department to be on standby during the Homecoming bonfire behind the school October 7th and discuss work done on the dirt pile on the end of Cottonwood Court to the agenda.

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Lassi, supported by Hoheisel, to accept the consent agenda as follows:

- a) Approve minutes of Special meeting of September 12, 2011, Regular meeting of September 19, 2011, and Emergency meeting of September 26, 2011
- b) Approve all bills and payrolls as audited by the Audit committee with the exception of the Vermilion Sanitation bill, Reference No. 1- miscellaneous, and Reference No. 29 - contractual services.
- c) Overtime report
- d) Correspondence – thank you from Babbitt Lions Club for assistance with Gene Ritsche Cross Country Race

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

Motion declared carried.

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

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

Motion declared carried.

Attorney Brunfelt updated the Council on the conversations with Ferrellgas on the cement by the Kasson building.

Ambulance Supervisor Mike Rhein discussed possible remedies for missed ambulance calls. Mr. Rhein received a call from an individual in Chicago to view the old ambulance for possible purchase.

The Council approved the Homecoming bonfire to be held October 7th behind the school with the Fire Department on standby pending Fire Chief Scharber's approval.

It was moved by Hoheisel, supported by Fitzpatrick, to offer two (2) 1993 John Deere mowers for sale on Craigslist for \$3,500 or best offer at a price so designated by Street Supervisor Posey.

Motion declared carried.

Some used culverts from the Evergreen project will be placed for sale; a list of potential buyers is at City Hall. Price yet to be determined.

The Public Works Committee recommended to keep the brush pile policy as is, with pickup on Wednesdays, and the cardboard shed opened one day per week on Mondays.

K & M performed satisfactory work on the dirt pile at the end of Cottonwood Court, completing 20 hours of work and Street Supervisor Posey recommended the job be complete at this point.

It was moved by Lassi, supported by Anderson, to deny the additional \$752.00 requested by the Library for beyond-the-budget expenses for 2012.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Hoheisel, supported by Fitzpatrick, to accept the resignation of Shannon Monnens as a part time police officer and send her a letter of appreciation.

Motion declared carried.

Applicants for part time police officer vacancies will be advertised in the local papers. It was moved by Anderson, supported by Marinaro, to direct potential candidates to the Public Safety Committee for their recommendations for hire to the Council.

Motion declared carried.

After discussion, it was moved by Lassi, supported by Hoheisel, to resume publishing the Council minutes in the Babbitt Weekly News.

Ayes: Councilors Lassi, Fitzpatrick, Hoheisel, and Marinaro

Nays: Mayor Anderson

Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Anderson, supported by Fitzpatrick, to discontinue publishing public meeting schedules in the Babbitt Weekly news.

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

Nays: Councilor Lassi

Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

Parks and Recreation Chairman Duane Lossing discussed Arena marketing and was reaffirmed on the status of the Parks and Recreation Board duties. Representatives from the Babbitt Figure Skating Club were present.

It was moved by Anderson, supported by Marinaro, to authorize approval of signatures on the Babbitt Figure Skating agreement for 2011-12 in the amount of \$7,500 with the exception of No. 3 open ice time proceeds shared 50/50 with the skating club and Arena budget.

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

Nays: None

Absent: None

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Lassi, supported by Marinaro, to refer the City of Ely Biosolids Site Application for Babbitt Township T.60N-R.13W to the Planning Commission for their review.

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Hoheisel, supported by Fitzpatrick, to authorize signatures on the St. Louis County 2012 Fire Protection Services Agreement for \$52,000.00.

Motion declared carried.

The Council received Local Board of Appeal Training Session dates and times as information.

RESOLUTION NO. 2011-09
CITY OF BABBITT MINNESOTA
AUTHORIZING CITY CLERK-TREASURER AND/OR MAYOR TO MAKE APPLICATION TO THE
IRON RANGE RESOURCES PUBLIC WORKS INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT PROGRAM FOR
BABBITT'S INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

STATE OF MINNESOTA}
COUNTY OF St. Louis}
CITY OF Babbitt)

WHEREAS, The City Council approves of the above application because it supports community and economic development.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF BABBITT, MINNESOTA, does hereby adopt this resolution.

It was moved by Lassi, supported by Hoheisel, to approve and adopt this resolution on the 3rd day of October, 2011.

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

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Hoheisel, supported by Marinaro, to authorize signatures on the Cross Country Ski Grant-in-Aid Agreement.

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

Motion declared carried.

There was no public input.

The meeting was recessed at 7:50 p.m. and closed for Attorney/Client privilege and reconvened at 8:06 p.m.

It was moved by Anderson, supported by Hoheisel, to close the meeting at 8:07 p.m. under Attorney/Client privilege.

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Hoheisel, supported by Fitzpatrick, to open the meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Anderson, supported by Hoheisel, to close the meeting for Union negotiation strategy at 8:16 p.m.

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Lassi, supported by Fitzpatrick, to open the meeting at 8:32 p.m.

Motion declared carried.

It was moved by Lassi, supported by Marinaro, to adjourn the meeting at 8:33 p.m.

Motion declared.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy A. Klegstad, Clerk-Treasurer

Wendy F. Schlueter, Minute Recorder

Attest:

Glenn A. Anderson, Mayor