

February 12, 2018

CITY OF BARRON, WI
MINUTES AND PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMON COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY FEBRUARY 12, 2019, 6:00 P.M.
CITY HALL, 1456 EAST LASALLE AVENUE, BARRON, WI 54812

1. Call to order

Mayor Ron Fladten called a regular meeting of the City of Barron Common Council to order at 6:01 p.m. on Tuesday, February 12, 2019, pursuant to due notice. Roll call: Councilpersons Kevin Haller, Pete Olson, Tony Allen, and Maureen Tollman were present. Mike Dietrich was absent. A quorum was confirmed. Also present were City Administrator-Clerk/Treasurer Bob Kazmierski, Municipal Judge Mark Klein and resident Paul Solie. Mayor Fladten began the meeting with a prayer. All present joined to salute the flag. Alderman Rod Nordby joined meeting at 6:04 p.m.

2. Public Comments

Paul Solie mentioned that graders can be rented rather than purchased as a recommendation to the Street Department. He also suggested that the golf course be leased to management company. Mr. Solie also suggested that the new Water Tower should be designed with rigging that would be used to rent out space for telecommunication equipment and subsequent agreements. Mark Klein spoke about new technology demands for cellular phones and the need to add more antennas throughout the city.

3. Monthly Department Reports

Judge Mark Klein (Barron Municipal Court) provided case statistics over the past five years. He commended Janet Bensed (Clerk of Courts) and the value she brings to the municipal court and shared her positive contributions. Overall, the frequency of cases has been on the decline at both the municipal and county levels due to more community-based policing (outreach) efforts. Traffic, adult/juvenile non-traffic and OWI are the most common cases. Roughly 2% of cases are dismissed and remainder prosecuted.

4. Update of Water Tower #2 Project, LaSalle Avenue project and Community Development Block Grant

City Engineer Teresa Anderson was not present. Plans and specifications of the project are complete. The project is ready to bid by mid-February. The project will be bid with a completion date of October, 2019, with an alternative date to allow contractors to provide a lower cost for completing the project by June 2020. The LaSalle Downtown Plan is proceeding, and interviews with focus groups and key stakeholders will be held during the last week of February. Gathering information and opinions from people who work, live, and invest in this community will help to set the direction for the plan. MSA is preparing an application for a Community Development Block Grant to assist in funding "Phase 1" of the La Salle Avenue reconstruction project. MSA recently met with City staff and confirmed that the 7th to 11th Street segment is the highest priority for reconstruction, and should remain as Phase 1. Prioritizing 7th through 11th will allow the City to address concerns with the oldest sewer and water mains, and will also allow the downtown plan to be completed prior to starting design on that phase of the project. Reconstruction will include replacement of sanitary sewer, water mains, storm sewer, streets, and sidewalks. Scheduled for construction in 2022, the second phase of the project will run from Mill Street to 7th Street; Phase 3 (2024) will be 11th Street through 14th Street.

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5. RESOLUTION NO. 2019-01; CITY OF BARRON AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TO FILE APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FROM STATE OF WISCONSIN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT FUND

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-01
CITY OF BARRON**

**AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE TO FILE APPLICATIONS FOR FINANCIAL
ASSISTANCE FROM
STATE OF WISCONSIN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT FUND**

WHEREAS, it is the desire of the City of Barron, Wisconsin, a municipal corporation, to file several applications for state financial assistance for its system including, but not limited to, construct elevated storage tank, security measures such as fence, locks, gates or cages; safety measures, mixing devices as required, treatment, and/or conditioning systems as required, restoration of disturbed surfaces and/or utilities; any work required to connect the storage tank to the existing system and to provide for appropriate operation, such as transmission mains, hydrants, valves and appurtenances; any controls/telemetry/SCADA and hardware/software required to operate the storage tank and to integrate its operation with the existing water distribution system; provisions for emergency operation; and all other related upgrades under the Wisconsin Environmental Improvement Fund (ss. 281.58, 281.60, and 281.61, Wis. Stats.);

WHEREAS, it is necessary to designate a representative for filing said applications;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED by the Council of the City of Barron that the Mayor is hereby appointed as an authorized representative for the City of Barron for the purpose of filing these applications, and that the representative is further authorized and empowered to do all necessary things and take all necessary steps in connection with said applications.

Adopted the _____ day of _____, 2019

CITY OF BARRON
BARRON COUNTY, WISCONSIN

Ron Fladten, Mayor

Attest: _____
Bob Kazmierski, Clerk/Treasurer

Motion by Olson, seconded by Haller to adopt RESOLUTION 2019-01; Roll call vote; all ayes. Motion passed.

6. RESOLUTION NO. 2019-02; CITY OF BARRON RESOLUTION DECLARING OFFICIAL INTENT TO REIMBURSE EXPENDITURES

**RESOLUTION NO. 2019-02
CITY OF BARRON**

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**RESOLUTION DECLARING OFFICIAL INTENT TO REIMBURSE
EXPENDITURES**

WHEREAS, the City of Barron, Barron County, Wisconsin (“the City”) plans to make several improvements to its system including, but not limited to, construct elevated storage tank, security measures such as fence, locks, gates or cages; safety measures, mixing devices as required, treatment, and/or conditioning systems as required, restoration of disturbed surfaces and/or utilities; any work required to connect the storage tank to the existing system and to provide for appropriate operation, such as transmission mains, hydrants, valves and appurtenances; any controls/telemetry/SCADA and hardware/software required to operate the storage tank and to integrate its operation with the existing water distribution system; provisions for emergency operation; and other related facilities (“the Project”); and

WHEREAS, the City expects to borrow funds and incur debt from one or more possible sources on a long-term basis by issuing tax-exempt bonds, promissory notes, DNR EIF Funds, or other ‘debt’ to finance the Project (“the Loan”); and

WHEREAS, because proceeds of the debt which will provide project financing will not become available prior to commencement of the Project, the City may need to provide interim financing to cover costs of the Project incurred prior to receipt of the Loan; or other debt proceeds; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary, desirable, and in the best interests of the City to use moneys from its funds on an interim basis until the Loan becomes available.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of the City of Barron, Barron County, Wisconsin, that:

Section 1. Expenditure of Funds The City shall make expenditures as needed from its funds to pay the costs of the Project until loan proceeds become available.

Section 2. Declaration of Official Intent. The Council of the City of Barron hereby officially declares its intent under 26 CFR Section 1.150-2 to reimburse said expenditures with proceeds of the debt, the principal amount of which is not expected to exceed \$2,500,000.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective upon its adoption and approval.

Adopted the _____ day of _____, 2019

CITY OF BARRON
BARRON COUNTY, WISCONSIN

Ron Fladten, Mayor

Attest: _____
Bob Kazmierski, Clerk/Treasurer

Motion by Allen, seconded by Tollman to adopt RESOLUTION 2019-02; Roll call vote; all ayes. Motion passed.

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7. Consideration of authorizing advertisements for contractor bidding of Water Tower #2 Project
Utility Commission recommended to City Council to authorize MSA to begin bidding for Water Tower #2. Motion by Nordby, seconded by Olson to authorize MSA to begin advertisements for contractor bidding of Water Tower #2; voice vote; all ayes. Motion passed.

8. Consideration of Street Committee recommendation to approve MSA engineering and project management services and authorize MSA to prepare bidding documents for the 7th Street project
Motion by Nordby, seconded by Haller, to approve MSA engineering and project management services and authorize MSA to prepare bidding documents for the 7th Street project; roll call vote; all ayes. Motion passed.

9. Consideration of approval of Claims and Bills
Motion by Olson, second by Haller to approve the Claims and Bills as presented. Motion carried by Roll Call Vote, all in attendance voting Aye.

10. Consent Agenda:
 - a. Reading and Approval of Minutes from January 8, 2019 Regular Council Meeting
 - b. Approval of Operators License to Serve for Cammie A. Carpenter, Renee L. Tiegs, Dawn A. McDonald for the period ending June 30, 2019
 - c. Approval of applications for Class "A" Liquor license for Consumers Cooperative Association of Eau Claire/Cenergy, LLC, d/b/a MEGA COOP #3722, Melissa Dirkes, Agent, located at 7 S. Mill Street, Barron, WI
 - d. Approval of Judge Mark Klein to attend the Wisconsin Municipal Judge Seminar-March 7th & 8th, 2019 in Elkhart Lake, WI
 - e. Approval of Personnel Committee recommendation to hire Darla Weinart as part-time Senior Center staff, not to exceed 15 hours/week at \$10.00/hour
 - f. Approval of Plan Commission recommendation to approve Final Certified Map (CSM) for A PARCEL OF LAND IN SE/NW QUARTER OF SECTION 27, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST (IN THE CITY OF BARRON), BARRON COUNTY, WISCONSIN. PLAT 8-4 E 75 FT OF W 250 FT OF THAT PRT OF SE-NW LYG S OF RRRW EX S 2 RDS THRF CITY OF BARRON; ADDRESS: 1151 E. Division Ave.; Joe Johnston, Owner, Michael Clamer, Agent
 - g. Approval of Plan Commission recommendation to approve Final Certified Map (CSM) for A PARCEL OF LAND IN NW QUARTER OF THE SE QUARTER, SECTION 21, TOWNSHIP 34 NORTH, RANGE 12 WEST (IN THE CITY OF BARRON), BARRON COUNTY, WISCONSIN. PLAT 14-1 PRT NW-SE SHOWN AS LOT 1 CSM 26/138 #3803 DOC 595888 UNPLATTED CITY OF BARRON; ADDRESS: 798 N. MILL ST.; Ashley Coss Owner, MSA, Agent
 - h. Approval of Street Committee recommendation of Hydraulic Breaker/Hammer purchase bid
 - i. Approval of Street Committee recommendation of Soil conditioner/Power Rake purchase bid

Motion by Tollman, second by Olson to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion carried by Roll Call Vote, all in attendance voting Aye.

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11. Consideration of Groundwater Monitoring Plan and License between WNDR and the City of Barron
Mike Romsos and Jeremy Boe led a successful effort to reduce sampling frequency of Well #5. This has resulted in an 80% reduction in monitoring costs. Motion by Olson, seconded by Allen, to authorize City Administrator to author letter to accept new license testing requirement agreement with WDNR; all ayes. Motion passed.

12. Consideration of adding additional Street Light on 18th Street, between Riverview Drive and Margaret Avenue
Kazmierski received request from Utility Manager Rick Jari to add one street light on 18th Street. Motion by Nordby, seconded by Haller, to approve adding additional Street Light on 18th Street, between Riverview Drive and Margaret Avenue; all ayes. Motion passed.

13. Consideration of Tourism Commission recommendation to approve Community Branding and Logo Development contract with AE2S Communications
Kazmierski reported that this project will be supported from Room Tax and was recommended by Tourism Commission. Proposal includes new logo/brand and tagline. Motion by Olson, seconded by Tollman to approve contract with AE2S Communications; roll call; all ayes. Motion passed.

14. Committee Reports
Golf board meeting-manager was evaluated.
Police Committee-Police Chief 360-degree evaluation implemented.
Street Committee/Building-Property-Park Committee approved equipment purchases, bridge(s) report and discussed Outdoor Recreational Plan.
Fire Department Annual meeting-discussed repairs to Rescue Truck 2#
Plan Commission meetings (2) and Playground equipment meeting results
Mayor Fladten announced that the Utility Commission is doing analysis, developing an enabling ordinance and may renegotiate payment in lieu of taxes with City.

Alderman Haller left meeting at 7:08 PM

15. Administrator Report
Kazmierski updated the Council on the LaSalle Ave Conceptual Streetscape Design and Downtown Revitalization Plan. Barron/Chetek Youth Hockey Invitation-February 23, 2019. Spring Primary-Tuesday, February 19, 2019. Auditors completed work week of January 28th.

16. Adjournment
Duly moved to adjourn at 7:24 PM

Prepared by Bob Kazmierski, Clerk/Treasurer
City of Barron

These minutes were taken at a regular meeting held on February 12, 2019 and entered in this record book, March 13, 2019.

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UNAPPROVED