

City of Tower
Regular Meeting
November 9, 2009
Monday @ 5:30 PM
City Council Chambers

The regular meeting of the Tower City Council was called to order by Mayor Stephen Abrahamson.

Present: Abrahamson, Hanson, Heinowski, Hiltunen, Nevala

Absent: None

Also Present: Kotzian, Lamppa

Visitors: Ron Abrahamson Sr., Steve Altenburg, Rolando Noyes, Matt Bolf,
John Jamnick, Jill Yarick, Jodi Summit, Sheldon Majerle, Ken Kube

Motion by Heinowski supported by Hanson to approve the minutes of the last meeting as presented by the Clerk/Treasurer. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Nevala supported by Hanson to accept the agenda as presented by the Mayor with the addition of: 9.3 Ordinance #24 Sewer Loan Program and 9.4 Old Forestry Property. All yes. Motion carried.

Correspondence: None

Motion by Heinowski supported by Hanson to accept written reports from the Ambulance Department, Fire Department, Blight Officer, Maintenance Department, and Clerk/Treasurer. All yes. Motion carried.

John Jammnick gave an update on the North 3rd Street Project and requested the council to approved Pay Estimate #3 for \$44,568.77 to Jola and Sopp for work completed from October 7 to November 7.

Motion by Nevala supported by Heinowski to approve Pay Estimate #3 in the amount of \$44,58.77.

Jammnick also reported that the City has a good chance of receiving a grant from the Army Corps of Engineers to finish water/sewer repairs in 2010.

No report this month from the Airport Commission, Planning and Zoning, Safety Committee or TEDA.

Motion by Heinowski supported by Hanson to participate in and support the “Five Cities Education” Initiative and to thank the Five Cities Education Committee for all their work. All yes. Motion carried.

Clerk Kotzian explained a need for a sewer repair loan program and that Queen City Federal would oversee this program for the City.

Motion by Hiltunen supported by Hanson to approve the Sewer Loan Program that allows a resident to borrow up to \$2500 for sewer repairs at 2% interest for 24 months and give the Mayor and City Clerk the authority to approve these loans. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Heinowski supported by Hanson to have the old forestry property Block 28, Lots 9-13 appraised in sections of three (3) seventy five foot lots. All yes. Motion Carried.

Matt Bolf gave an update on the Harbor Project. He discussed the new Highway 135 Right-of-Way Plat. Once the road is built road and right-of-way are turned over to MnDot but the City retains ownership of lands under the road.

Motion by Heinowski supported by Hanson to approve the Right-of-Way Plat for new Highway 135. All yes. Motion carried

Bolf also discussed the need to realign utilities along the new Highway 135; the Turn Back Agreement with MNDot, and property acquisition.

Motion by Hiltunen supported by Hanson to pay the bills. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hanson supported by Nevala to adjourn. Time: 6:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Lamppa

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer