

City Council Meeting
Regular Meeting
City of Tower
October 11, 2016
Tuesday @ 5:30PM
City Council Chambers

The regular meeting of the Tower City Council was called to order by Acting Mayor Lance Dougherty.

Present: Broten, Dougherty, Hiltunen, and Matich

Absent: Mayor Carlson

Also Present: L Keith

Visitors: Sheldon Majerle, Terri Joki-Martin, Jason Chopp, Randy Pratt, Julie Kranz, Steve Altenburg, Marshall Helmberger, Tony Sikora.

A motion was made by Hiltunen and supported by Broten to accept the agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Hiltunen and supported by Matich to approve the minutes of the previous meetings. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Input:

None

Correspondence:

None

A motion was made by Broten and supported by Hiltunen to accept the reports from officers and Engineer as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Broten and supported by Matich to accept the reports from Commissions and Committees as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Broten and supported by Dougherty to resolve that Whereas, The City Council of the City of Tower has heretofore determined that it is beneficial to the City of Tower to acquire certain tax forfeit property from Saint Louis County for the purpose of economic development and the correction of blighted conditions; and

Whereas, The City Council of the City of Tower, Minnesota requests that Saint Louis County begin the process to allow the City to purchase the following described real estate:

506 Main Street	and	506 ½ Main Street
080-0010-02440		080-0010-02440
Easterly ½ of Lot 3 Block 21		Westerly ½ of Lot 3 Block 21

NOW, THEREFOER BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council of the City of Tower, Minnesota does hereby adopt this resolution. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Broten to table the discussion on purchasing property from the Vermilion Housing Corporation until the full council could be present to vote. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Broten and supported by Matich to update the Harbor Land Description to be sold to the developer to include the entire harbor space with allowances for the return of the public portions of the property back to City ownership. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Matich to decline the Vermilion Housing Corporation's offer to apply for Saint Louis County CDBG funds to improve the water main to the housing complex. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Broten and supported by Matich to authorize Arvig Corporation to install fiber optic cable to the cellular tower on the North Hill utilizing space in the City's right of way adjacent to Alder Street. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Broten and supported by Matich to offer the position of Deputy Clerk Treasurer pending successful completion of a criminal background check. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Matich to establish a City of Tower Redevelopment District that includes the harbor area, East Two River shoreline, and the Main Street business corridor. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Matich to have the City Maintenance Staff repair the storm damage to the roof of the football field concession stand. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Broten and supported by Matich to appoint Terri Joki-Martin as Deputy Head Election Judge for the 2016 General Election. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Broten to appoint Terri Joki-Martin as an authorized signer to the AFSCME 1490 Savings Account held at Embarrass Vermilion Federal Credit Union. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Hiltunen and supported by Matich to pay all bills. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Hiltunen and supported by Matich to adjourn. Time out was 6:32PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda K Keith
City Clerk Treasurer