

City Council Meeting  
Regular Meeting  
City of Tower  
March 13, 2017  
Monday @ 5:30PM  
City Council Chambers

The regular meeting of the Tower City Council was called to order by Mayor Josh Carlson.

Present: Anderson, Carlson, Dougherty, Fitton, and Matich

Absent: None

Also Present: L Keith

Visitors: Marshall Helmberger, Tony Sikora, Tony Sikora, Orlyn Kringstad, Dan Nylund, Mike Totenhagen, Sam Saint John, Jason Chopp, Terri Joki-Martin, Dave Rose, Matt Witzel, and Steve Altenburg

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Fitton to approve the agenda as amended with the striking of 7.1 IRRRB Application Ordinance and the addition of 8.11 I Am Responding Contract. The motion carried unanimously.

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

Public Input:

Correspondence: None

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Matich to accept the reports from officers, Engineer, Commissions, and Committees. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Dougherty to get quotes for docks to be made available to Hoodoo Point for private rental. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Matich to deny the Vermilion Housing Corporation's request to purchase property near the housing complex. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Anderson to deny the Vermilion Country School's request for the installation of a video doorbell system. Mayor Carlson and Councilors Anderson, Dougherty, and Matich assented. Councilor

Fitton abstained. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Fitton to accept a main street enhancement grant in the amount of \$40,000 from the Iron Range Resources Rehabilitation Board. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Fitton and supported by Matich adopting a mayoral proclamation supporting sexual assault awareness month. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Matich to table the issue of selling the former riverside dump site. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Fitton and supported by Dougherty to accept the bid from Arrowhead Construction in the amount of \$4,350.00 to repair the airport A & D Building roof. Councilors Anderson, Fitton, and Dougherty and Mayor Carlson assented. Councilor Matich abstained. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Matich to accept the quote from Vermilion Painting for staining the A & D Building in the amount of \$3,100.00. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Fitton and supported by Dougherty to approve the transfer of Hangar Lease #12 from Brian Maki to John Burgess. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Fitton to adjust the Storefront Loan Guidelines to allow for funding of projects that the Tower City Council has deemed and urgent community need. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Fitton and supported by Matich to establish the lack of suitable child care within the City of Tower as an urgent critical community need. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Fitton to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources for wildland fire protection. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Fitton and supported by Dougherty to record the PERA pension debt across not only the general fund but the enterprise funds as well. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Fitton to authorize the City Clerk Treasurer to write off uncollectable public utility debt from 506 Main Street @ \$584.68, 506 ½ Main Street @ 1,665.21, 513 Main Street @ 2,429.36, and 511 ½ Main Street

@ 2,740.52 all totaling \$7,419.77. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Anderson to approve a contract with I Am Responding for EMS paging for 3 years at a cost of \$900.00. The motion carried unanimously.

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

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Anderson to adjourn. Time out was 6:45PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Linda K Keith  
City Clerk Treasurer