

City Council Meeting
Regular Meeting
City of Tower
March 9, 2015
Monday @ 5:30PM
City Council Chambers

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

Present: Abrahamson, Broten, Carlson, Dougherty, and Hiltunen.

Absent: None

Also Present: L Keith and S Mayer

Visitors: Sheldon Majerle, Elly Power, Breitung Police Officer Dan Nylund, Randy Pratt, Steve Altenburg, and Matt Bolf (SEH Engineering).

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

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

Public Input: None

Correspondence: None.

Written reports were received from the Maintenance Department, Ambulance Department, Fire Department, and Police Department.

A motion was made by Hiltunen and supported by Matich to approve the reports from officers. The motion carried unanimously.

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

A motion was made by Hiltunen and supported by Matich to accept the Airport Commission's recommendation to make no changes to the commercial hangar designation or lease rates. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Hiltunen to resolve that **Whereas**, the City of Tower is desirous of efficient and timely completion of construction projects undertaken by the City of Tower; and

Whereas, r performing the courts have upheld the implementation of Project Labor Agreements for public projects; and

Whereas, Project Labor Agreements facilitate the timely completion of projects by making available a ready and adequate supply of skilled craft workers; providing a negotiated commitment, which is a legally enforceable means of assuring labor stability and labor peace over the life of a project; avoiding work stoppage following expiration of a collective bargaining agreement between the union and an employer performing work on the project and facilitating equal employment opportunities on a project,

Now therefore be it resolved that the Project Labor Agreements be utilized by the City of Tower for all future construction projects, in excess of \$150,000.00 unless otherwise prohibited by law, or if funding sources specifically exclude this,

Be it further resolved that the City of Tower hereby directs the City staff to utilize the Project Labor Agreement approved by the City Attorney for all future construction projects in excess of \$150,000.00,

Be it further resolved that the City of Tower shall implement the Project Labor Agreement by requiring adherence to the Agreement in the bid specifications and all relevant bid documents.

The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Hiltunen and supported by Dougherty to give the second reading of Ordinance 1D, an Ordinance relating to the control and regulation of the control of the water system in the City of Tower and amending sections seven and section nine of the city of Tower Ordinance entitled and ordinance to control and regulate the water system in the City of Tower. The motion carried unanimously. The ordinance will be effective upon its publication in the Timberjay newspaper.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Hiltunen to give the second reading of Ordinance 2A, an Ordinance relating to the control and regulation of the control of the sewer system in the City of Tower and amending sections nineteen of the city of Tower Ordinance entitled and ordinance Establishing Sewer Use Regulations in the City of Tower. The motion carried unanimously. The ordinance will be effective upon its publication in the Timberjay newspaper.

A motion was made by Hiltunen and supported by Matich to table the first reading of Ordinance 12A, an Ordinance amending Ordinance Number Twelve providing for fire protection and fire prevention in the City of Tower, until the March 23, 2015 Tower City Council Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Hiltunen and supported by Broten to establish a committee of Mayor Carlson, City Clerk Treasurer Keith, and alternate Councilor Matich to review and negotiate Gundersen Road land sales. The motion carried unanimously. All sales negotiated with the committee will be formally approved by the full Tower City Council at its next regularly scheduled meeting.

A motion was made by Hiltunen and supported by Dougherty to authorize the

expenditure of \$1,320.00 to Northern Lights Survey for the purpose of preparing an access easement to parcels on the Gundersen Road listed for sale by the City. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Broten to transfer the Airport Hangar Lease for Hangar # 12 from Eileen Amos to Brian C Maki. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Broten and supported by Matich to designate all future City land sale proceeds to be used to reduce the City's debt with the Gundersen Trust. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Hiltunen and supported by Matich to approve the Como Oil & Propane contract for 2016-2017 at a price of \$1.299 per gallon. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Broten to allow all city employees to receive their annual pay divided equally for each payroll versus being paid per the varied number of workdays each month. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Hiltunen to require a \$300,000 Liquor Liability policy be purchased by the renter for any event held at the Tower Civic center where the sale and/or service of alcohol is allowed. Councilors Broten, Hiltunen, and Matich and Mayor Carlson assented. Councilor Dougherty dissented. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Dougherty to transfer \$10,000 from the General Fund to the Airport Capital Improvement Fund and \$94,091.91 from the General Fund to the River Dump Fund. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Broten to pay all bills. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Dougherty to adjourn. Time out was 7:24PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda K Keith
City Clerk Treasurer