

City Council Meeting  
Regular Meeting  
City of Tower  
April 10, 2017  
Monday @ 6:30PM  
City Council Chambers

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

Present: Carlson, Dougherty, Fitton, and Matich

Absent: Anderson

Also Present: L Keith

Visitors: Marshall Helmberger, Tony Sikora, Orlyn Kringstad, Dan Nylund, Jason Chopp, Terri Joki-Martin, Dave Rose, and Steve Altenburg

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Dougherty to approve the agenda with the addition of 8.17 City Hall Front Steps and 8.18 Potter's Field Brushing and the striking of 8.14 Gundersen Trust. 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: None

Correspondence:

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Fitton to table the request from Vermilion Lake Township for support against the Cook Hospital District Expansion. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Fitton to authorize the Northeast Range Band to utilize City Hall as a shiny paper drop site for a band fundraiser. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Matich to authorize WEVE to broadcast the 2017 fishing opener from Hoodoo Point Campground. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Fitton to approve the reports from Officers, Engineers, Commissions, and Committees. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Matich to table the IRRRB application policy until April 24, 2017 City Council Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was Carlson and supported by Matich to update the store front loan policy. The motion carried unanimously. A copy of the updated guidelines can be obtained from the City Clerk Treasurer.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Dougherty to authorize the City Clerk Treasurer to hire a local appraiser to appraise the property formally known as the Riverside Dump. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Matich table the purchase of docks for Hoodoo Point until the April 24, 2017 City Council Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Matich to purchase two 6 X 30 floating docks for the harbor. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Matich to follow the City Engineer's recommendation and refer the water drainage concerns on the 300 Block of Pine Street to Saint Louis County due to the fact that North Second Street is a county road and would be impacted by any changes to Pine Street. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Dougherty to terminate the cabin lease held in the name of Theresa Erickson. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Fitton to adopt a social media policy as presented by the City Clerk Treasurer. The motion carried unanimously. A copy of the social media policy is on file in the City Clerk Treasurer's Office.

A motion was made by Fitton and supported by Carlson to transfer \$10,000 from the general fund to the Hoodoo Point Fund, \$15,000 from the general fund to the North Side Water and Sewer Fund, and \$15,000 from the general fund to the Main Street Sewer Fund. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Fitton to authorize the Police Commission to offer Breitung Township a base rate of \$100,886.00 for 2018, removal of any and all unemployment insurance charges, and a cost sharing split of 45% Tower / 55% Breitung. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Fitton to table the installation of the emergency responder program until the April 24, 2017 City Council meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Dougherty to table the starting of an ambulance paid on call program until the April 24, 2017 City Council meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Dougherty to apply for the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources 50/50 Fire Grant. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Fitton to reinstate Matt Skubic as the summer helper for the 2017 season. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Matich to engage the services of Dougherty Financial to process the revenue bond for the Hoodoo Point Repairs. The motion carried

unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Fitton to table the review of the economic development loan criteria until the April 24, 2017 Tower City Council Meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Fitton to pay airport apron repair project pay estimate number 2 from KGM Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$17,188.08. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Fitton to notify the harbor developers that the City's legal counsel has advised not signing the harbor non disclosure agreement. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Fitton and supported by Dougherty to allow Vance Hall to leave his temporary structure at the marina until August 31, 2017. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion as made by Dougherty and supported by Matich to accept Broten Constructions quote of \$3,600.00 to repair the city hall steps. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Matich and supported by Dougherty to allow the Potter's Field group to go across city lands to do tree brushing in Potter's Field. The motion carried unanimously.

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

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Matich to adjourn. Time out was 8:58PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda K Keith  
City Clerk Treasurer