

City Council Meeting  
Regular Meeting  
City of Tower  
July 14, 2014  
Monday @ 5:30PM  
City Council Chambers

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

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

Absent: None

Also Present: L Keith

Visitors: Fire Chief Altenburg, Sheldon Majerle, Elly Power, Randy Pratt, Matt Bolf (SEH Engineering), and Dan Broten.

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

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Hiltunen to accept the agenda as stated. 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 Dougherty and supported by Carlson to approve the reports from officers. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Dougherty to accept Greg Rebeau's application to serve as a 2014 Election Judge. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Carlson to appoint Councilor Broten and Mayor Abrahamson to the comprehensive plan committee. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Hiltunen and supported by Broten to have the City Clerk Treasurer work with SEH Engineering on the any lease adjustments to the American Tower cell tower lease. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Dougherty to authorize the ATV Prospectors Alliance Group to utilize the ski trail alignment for ATV traffic during the spring, summer, and fall. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Hiltunen to adopt the following returned check policy:

It is hereby the policy of the City of Tower to not accept payments by check from any individual, business, corporation, partnership, et al. that has had two (2) checks previously returned to the City of Tower as unpaid regardless of whether for insufficient funds, closed account, etc. Furthermore, it is the policy of the City of Tower to demand payment in the form of cash, cashier's check, or money order from any individual or business that has had two (2) returned checks. Additionally, a fee of \$35.00 will be billed to the party presenting an invalid check payment. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Dougherty to list the City of Tower properties designated for sale with Lisa Janisch Realty. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Hiltunen to approve Grant Agreement Number B43 2326 from the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board for the Store Front Loan Program. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Broten to change section 1 of the Commercial Development Program Guidelines to state:

Improvements made with Commercial Development Funds are limited to exterior improvements, energy efficiency improvements, rehabilitation of distressed properties, structural improvements, roof improvements, handicap accessibility, or other general improvements.

The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Broten to accept Northern Lights Survey proposal for the surveying of the Tower Lift Station Property at a cost of \$1,200.00. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Dougherty to work with Saint Louis County public works to get a resolution to the storm water flow issue around the property located at 304 Pine Street. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Hiltunen to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with Saint Louis County for the repair and replacement of the Pine Street Bridge. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Hiltunen to appoint Councilors Dougherty and Hiltunen, Fire Chief Altenburg, and Ambulance Supervisor Matt Tuchel to the committee in charge of the repair and replacement of the ambulance garage. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Broten and supported by Carlson to resolve that WHEREAS, The City of Tower, Minnesota, has a long and admirable history of hosting a popular and important 4th of July event and parade in the City of Tower each 4th of July and;

WHEREAS, The City of Tower relies upon the dedication and hard work of the volunteers that help to promote, host, and facilitate the 4th of July activities and;

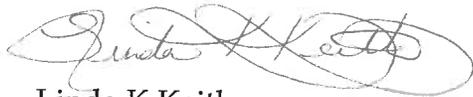
Whereas, The City of Tower is extremely thankful for the continued support and effort of the 4th of July Parade Committee and;

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, the City Council of the City of Tower resolves that volunteer Stephanie Mayer, Randy Johnson, Dave Bjorgo, Matt Skubic, Brooke Yernatich, Nicole Wagner, Brooke Jankowski, Julie Johnson, Delores Clark, Pam Lundstrom, Rod Lundstrom, Tim Hughes, Maxine (Lundstrom) Hughes, Rod and Leanne Lundstrom, Kendra Lundstrom, Pastor Gary Watts, Corinne Lundstrom, Shannon Duchene, Samantha Duchene, Danielle Kerfeld, Dusty Dostert and the Dostert Family, Quintin Pecha, Drake Pecha, Robert Pratt, Amy Berglund, Randy Semo, Tower Women's Civic Improvement Club, and all others not hereby mentioned be publicly recognized for their contribution in making our 4th of July celebration successful. The motion carried unanimously.

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

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Carlson to adjourn. Time out was 7:30PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda K Keith  
City Clerk Treasurer