

City of Tower
Regular City Council Meeting
February 8, 2010
Monday @ 5:30 PM
City Council Chambers

The regular city council meeting was called to order by Mayor Abrahamson.

Present: Abrahamson, Hanson, Heinowski, Nevala
Absent: Hiltunen
Also Present: Kotzian, Lamppa

Visitors: Christina Hujanen, Rolando Noyes, Kevin Friebe, Jodi Summit, Ann Flannagan, Jim Macomber, Sheldon Majerle, Matt Bolf

Motion by Heinowski supported by Hanson to approve the minutes of the last meeting. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Hanson supported by Nevala to accept the agenda as presented by the clerk with the following additions: 9.2 add Nick Bjorgo and 9.5 Tower Firemen's Relief Association Insurance. All yes. Motion carried.

Written reports were received from the Police Dept, Maintenance, Blight Officer, City Clerk, Ambulance Dept, and Fire Dept.

Motion by Hanson supported by Heinowski to accept the written reports. All yes. Motion carried.

Commissions and Committees:

Airport Committee - no meeting.

Matt Bolf from S.E.H., gave an update on the harbor project. The temporary easement with the Mesojedec family has not been finalized. The review and comment period on the required permits for construction has been extended for sixty days.

Planning and Zoning - no meeting.
TEDA - no meeting.

The interview with the two candidates for the Emergency Management Director position has not been scheduled yet. Hiltunen and Hanson will take care of this.

Clerk Kotzian gave an update on the school issue and stated that a meeting with the 3 cities of Tower, Cook, and Orr was scheduled for 6:00 PM on Wednesday, February 10th at the Cook School.

Ann Flannagan, representing the TS Historical Society, talked about a new entrance sign that would display events happening in the City.

Motion by Heinowski supported by Hanson to write a letter of support for Depot Days. All yes. Motion carried.,

Motion by Nevala supported by Heinowski to place Eric Carlson and Nick Bjorgo on the labor pool list. All yes. Motion carried.

Matt Bolf presented the Airport Road Relocation plan.

Motion by Heinowski supported by Hanson to approve the Airport Road Relocation plan and to go ahead with the environmental assessment, design, and construction with the FAA paying 95% of the costs involved. All yes. Motion carried.

A discussion was held on liquor liability insurance for the Tower Firemen's Relief Association beer garden for the Fish Fest to be held on February 13, 2010.

Motion by Heinowski supported by Nevala to require the TFFA to purchase liability insurance at a higher limit than mandated because of its ties to the City. The City is requiring a bodily injury limit of \$1,000,000 per person, \$1,000,000 per occurrence, and a property damage limit of \$300,000 which will cover the hours of 2 PM to 1 AM on February 13, 2010. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Heinowski supported by Hanson to pay the bills. All yes. Motion carried.

Motion by Heinowski supported by Nevala to adjourn. Time: 6:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted

Ann Lamppa
Deputy Clerk/Treasurer