

City of Tower
Regular Meeting
September 9, 2013
Monday @ 5:30PM
City Council Chambers

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

Present: Abrahamson, Carlson, Dougherty, and Hiltunen.

Absent: None

Also Present: L Keith and S Mayer

Visitors: Randy Pratt, Julie Kranz, Matt Bolf (Short Elliott & Hendrickson), Greta Tuominen, Lee Tuominen, Ann Flannagan, Jim Macomber, Matt Tuchel, Steve Altenburg, Gary Lamppa (Community Resource Development), Dick Grabko (Community Resource Development), and Jodi Summit.

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

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Carlson to accept the agenda as stated. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Input: Greta Tuominen read a letter regarding the current campground managers and their performance as managers.

Correspondence: The Tower Women's Civic Improvement Club submitted correspondence notifying the council that they have requested to attend the November 2013 City Council Meeting and would like the City Council to be prepared to discuss their ideas and dreams for the City.

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

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

A motion was made by Hiltunen and supported by Dougherty to accept Ambulance Supervisor Tuchel's recommendation to install a new engine in the Ford Ambulance for a price not to exceed \$23,400.00. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Hiltunen and supported by Carlson to accept Maintenance Supervisor Johnson's recommendation to hire C & C Winger to repair a fire hydrant on the west end of North Third Street. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Hiltunen to advertise and request bids for the campground manager's position. The motion carried unanimously.

A presentation was given by Dick Grabko and Gary Lamppa regarding their company Community Resource Development providing developer representative services to the City of Tower.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Dougherty to set the preliminary levy at three percent with the understanding that city staff will budget to set the final levy at a zero increase. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Dougherty to approve Max Gray Construction's Change Order Number Two in the amount of \$5,022.26. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Hiltunen and supported by Dougherty to accept applications to the Tower Fire Department from Tera Kultala and Stephanie Mayer pending completion of the fire department physical aptitude testing. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Dougherty to authorize the Cemetery Association to move their operations to the spare office in City Hall. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Dougherty and supported by Carlson to accept the Minnesota Department of Natural Resources Cross Country Ski Grant Agreement in the amount of \$1,725.00 for the operation and maintenance of the Howard Wagoner Ski Trail. The motion carried unanimously.

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

A motion was made by Carlson and supported by Dougherty to adjourn. Time out was 7:18PM.

Respectfully submitted,



Linda K Keith
City Clerk Treasurer