

BOVEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
September 18, 2024
6:00 p.m. Council Meeting
Virtual via Teams or In-Person Club Room

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Bob Stein called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Members present were Deborah Trbojevich, Nancilyn Meyer, Bob Lawson and Bob Stein. Trevor Guyer was absent. All motion passed 4-0 unless noted otherwise.

Staff present were Rick Rogich, John Dimich, Mike Finckbone and Jestine Casey. Also present were Tony Yunk, Daniel Nelson, Charles Nelson, Sean Lathrop, Steve Hurd, Bryan Johnson, Lauren Meyer, Neal Robyn and Gary Sheveland.

APPROVE AGENDA: **Motion Trbojevich 2nd Lawson to approve the agenda with the addition of Bryan Johnson Gun Club Land inquiry under “Guests” and IRRRB Grant Contract under “Council”.**

GUESTS: Daniel Nelson of North Country Development Conditional Use Permit Denial: The Planning and Zoning Commission recommended denying his conditional use permit application. The permit would allow an extra apartment instead of the mandated store front for the apartment building located at 201 2nd Street.

Motion Trbojevich 2nd Lawson to schedule a Special Hearing on the conditional use permit application for Wednesday, October 16th at 6pm. All in favor.

Bryan Johnson – Gun Club Property: Johnson would like to purchase the contaminated gun club property but doesn't need the whole parcel. He is willing to purchase only the contaminated portion if council doesn't want to sell it all. He would like council to decide if they are going to sell it because he is looking into other options. Council discussed that they need to determine what portion they are going to sell. They also need a description of the property & a purchase agreement with the potential buyer stating the buyer is responsible for all costs and would assume all building restrictions and liability for environmental restrictions. It was discussed that a for-sale listing should be placed in the paper so proper procedures are followed. **Motion Lawson 2nd Meyer to have the clerk draft a description & for-sale ad that will be discussed at the workshop. All in Favor.**

PUBLIC FORUM: Tony Yunk stated he spoke with a developer who is interested in purchasing the nine plotted lots on the northside of town behind Annabella's. The developer is willing to pay all water/sewer infrastructure costs but would like to pay the least amount possible for the lots. The developer's plan is to build two houses per year. It was discussed that a developer's agreement would be necessary. Mayor Stein requested that Tony Yunk ask the developer to attend the next meeting.

- CONSENT AGENDA:**
1. Minutes from 8/21/24 Council Meeting
 2. Minutes from 9/04/2024 Council Workshop
 4. Disbursements for Claims and Payroll
 5. Radio Units invoice 2018, 2019, 2020 - \$4,817.88
 6. League of MN Cities quarterly membership dues -\$399
- Motion Trbojevich 2nd Lawson to approve. All in favor.**

DEPARTMENT HEADS & COMMITTEES:

1. Engineer, Alan Johnson
 - a. Storm Sewer project: Johnson advised via email that he is awaiting a response from Casper Construction verifying they agree with the final items on the storm sewer project so it can be closed out & the final payment can be made.
2. Police,
 - a. There was a discussion about the current police protection contract with Coleraine and what will happen now that there isn't a police chief.
3. Public Works, Rick Rogich
 - a. August Report- Rogich advised that bench pads/concrete will start tomorrow, Farmer's Day went well, there was an issue with a hydrant that the FD shut off during Farmer's Day, the city crew will complete safety training in October, Rogich is getting concrete for the library picnic table, public works has been completing locates & they are also working on Red Rock Drive's curb/storm drain. Recent damage to the new park due to expedition driving was also discussed. Council advised Rogich to submit an insurance claim.
4. Planning & Zoning
 - a. Phone for blight officer- The police department has a phone that isn't being used. Officer Sean Lathrop will try to locate it at the PD station.
 - b. Code Enforcement Notice of Violation- Council is okay with the form. The notice will be the first step followed by a letter & a potential petty misdemeanor ticket. The ticket will go to the landlord & tenant, but the landlord is responsible.
 - c. Blight complaint form reviewed. Council is okay with the form.
5. Attorney, John Dimich
 - a. 2025 city attorney options- a few options were discussed, and the clerk will reach out for proposals.
 - b. Snowmobile Easement revisions- Dimich provided Council with an Amended Easement that the county land department requested.

Motion Lawson 2nd Trbojevich to approve. All in favor.

6. City Council
 - a. Utility Report – informational
 - b. Greenway Area Community Fund Octoberfest advertising request- **Motion Trbojevich 2nd Meyer to approve \$160 from the gambling fund for advertising. Motion passed with Lawson abstaining.**
Mayor Stein also requested the clerk withhold \$200 from his next mayor check & issue a separate check to the community fund as a private donation from him.
 - c. Mag Iron public comment form- Attorney Dimich advised the comment period was extended and it appears that there wasn't a response from either Bovey or Coleraine. Trbojevich advised that she attended a meeting and provided Council with positive feedback about the company.
 - d. ARP Certification Form from Itasca County for phase 2 park project. **Motion Trbojevich 2nd Meyer to approve. All in Favor.**
7. Fire Board
 - a. Trbojevich advised that the 2025 fire department levy will be the same as 2024.
8. Clerk, Jistine Casey
 - a. 2025 proposed budget & setting Truth & Taxation Hearing. **Motion Trbojevich 2nd Meyer to set the proposed levy at \$628,986 & the truth and taxation meeting will be scheduled for Wednesday, 12/4 at 6:00 p.m. The subsequent hearing will be 12/19/24 at 6:00 p.m. All in favor.**
 - b. Portable toilet insurance check received - \$2,750

**UNFINISHED
BUSINESS:**

NEW BUSINESS:

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. WMMPB meeting minutes 8/8/2024
2. CBT Meeting Minutes 9/11/2024
3. Grand Rapids Detour information
4. Greenway Rec Board minutes- 8/19/2024
5. FEMA Final Flood Determination

ADJOURNMENT: Motion Trbojevich 2nd Lawson to adjourn at 7:38 p.m.

Jistine Casey, Clerk

Robert Stein, Mayor

10/16/2024

Date approved