

A regular meeting of the Bad Axe City Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, April 4, 2016 by Mayor Pro tem Kathy Particka.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Pro tem Kathy Particka; Council members: Bridson, Hall, Perez, Peterson and Rochefort.
 Absent: Mayor Jim Hicks.
 Staff Present: City Manager, Dale VanDeVusse and Clerk Goebel.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Bridson second by Rochefort to approve the minutes from the March 21, 2016 regular meeting. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Motion by Peterson second by Bridson to approve Resolution 2016-4; accept easement and waterline from Wolgast Development LLC.

AYES: Rochefort, Particka, Peterson, Hall, Perez, Bridson.
 NO: None.

2. Mayoral Proclamation for Severe Weather Awareness Week, April 10-16, 2016.

Motion by Particka second by Perez to approve the Mayoral Proclamation. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

3. Award bid for the Hopson St. Reconstruction Project.

Motion by Hall second by Particka to award the base bid of \$557,305.19 for the Hopson Street Reconstruction Project to Nicol & Sons. Four bids were received. This reconstruction project on Hopson begins at North Street to the East Street Right of Way. It includes water main and sanitary sewer replacement and spot repair of the curb and gutter, drive approaches and sidewalks.

AYES: Particka, Hall, Bridson, Peterson, Rochefort, Perez.
 NO: None.

4. Award bid for Alley Reconstruction #4 and #14.

Motion by Hall second by Bridson to award the bid for the reconstruction of alley #4 and #14 to Clancy Brothers for \$65,517.36. Alley #4 is located behind the Bad Axe Theatre between Hanselman and Scott Street. Alley #14 is located behind Murphy's Bakery between the city parking lot and S. Port Crescent.

AYES: Perez, Bridson, Peterson, Hall, Particka.
 NO: Rochefort.

5. Engineering fees for 2016 reconstruction projects.

Motion by Hall second by Particka to approve the engineering fees of \$75,600.00 for the Hopson Street and Alley Reconstruction projects.

AYES: Hall, Peterson, Particka, Rochefort, Bridson, Perez.
 NO: None.

6. Corrpro annual inspection of water towers.

Motion by Hall second by Particka to approve the annual service agreement with Corrpo for \$1,740.00 for the cathodic protection of the two water towers.

AYES: Peterson, Perez, Particka, Hall, Bridson, Rochefort.
 NO: None.

7. Resolution 2016-3; Central Huron Ambulance annual contribution.

Motion by Hall second by Perez to approve Resolution 2016-3; annual contribution to Central Huron Ambulance Authority.

AYES: Perez, Hall, Rochefort, Bridson, Peterson, Particka.
 NO: None.

8. Payment of bills.

Motion by Hall second by Peterson to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$112,053.05.

AYES: Peterson, Particka, Bridson, Hall, Perez, Rochefort.
 NO: None.

Committee Reports

Community Events Chairman Rochefort stated that the committee viewed the 3D drawing of the city park south end with the inclusion of the proposed improvements.

Mayor and Council Comments

Councilman Rochefort urged council to hire an additional full time police officer after hearing about a gun assault case in the city. He stated that from 2006 to 2016 the Bad Axe Police Department staff has declined by 33%. He stated that he would like to put in place resources to keep the community safe. In addition to the additional staffing he requested letters be sent to the Huron County Sheriff's Department and Michigan State Police requesting police assistance in the city.

City Manager VanDeVusse stated that the city's 2016-17 budget will contain an additional full time police officer for consideration by city council.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Hall second by Rochefort to adjourn at 7:49 p.m. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

Jim Hicks, Mayor

Kay M. Goebel, Clerk