

A regular meeting of the Bad Axe City Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, June 15, 2015 by Mayor Jim Hicks.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Jim Hicks; Council members: Particka, Perez, Peterson and Rochefort.
 Absent: Bridson and Rapson.
 Staff Present: City Manager, VanDeVusse, Clerk, Kay Goebel.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by Particka second by Peterson to approve the minutes from the June 1, 2015 public hearing and regular meetings. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Accept resignation from City Councilman Dave Rapson effective June 12, 2015.

Motion by Hicks second by Peterson to accept the resignation with regret from Dave Rapson. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

2. Mayor Hicks moved to appoint James H. Hall to fill the vacant council seat. Motion was seconded by Peterson.

AYES: Peterson, Perez, Particka, Hicks, Rochefort.
 NO: None.

It was discussed that Mr. Hall would serve until December 31, 2015 because the city's General Election is November 3, 2015. The remaining term of Councilman Rapson's seat ends December 31, 2017 and will be placed on the ballot in that form.

3. Motion by Particka second by Rochefort to approve Resolution 2015-15a; Freedom of Information Procedures and Guidelines and Resolution 2015-16; Freedom of Information Fee Schedule. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.
4. Motion by Peterson second by Perez to approve Resolution 2015-14; General Appropriations Act.

AYES: Peterson, Particka, Perez, Hicks, Rochefort.
 NO: None.

5. Discuss Dog Park.

Community Events/Recreation Committee Chairman Rochefort stated that over the past few months the committee has been discussing a dog park located on the north side of the ditch located at Wilcox Park. He made a motion to construct a fence as outlined in the city council information packet. The motion did not receive a second. Rochefort withdrew his motion. Committee member Peterson suggested utilizing the park property by the skate park. Councilwoman Particka stated she would like exact cost amounts and the map depicting the specific area where the fence will be located. Councilman Peterson stated that the fence should be placed around the ditch at Wilcox Park for the safety of the children instead of being installed as a dog park.

6. Motion by Particka second by Perez to approve the renewal of the city's Property and Liability Insurance through Michigan Municipal League fiscal year 2015-16.

AYES: Rochefort, Peterson, Perez, Particka, Hicks.
NO: None.

7. Motion by Particka second by Perez to approve payment of bills totaling \$75,730.18.

AYES: Particka, Rochefort, Peterson, Hicks, Perez.
NO: None.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS

Mayor Hicks recommended the appointment of Councilwoman Particka to serve as Mayor Pro-tem. Motion by Peterson second by Rochefort to approve this recommendation. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried. Mayor Hicks stated that he will present the revised committee appointments at the next city council meeting for approval.

Councilman Rochefort inquired what streets are on the list to be paved in the future. He stated that East Soper Road is in very poor condition.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Particka second by Rochefort to adjourn at 7:45 p.m. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

Jim Hicks, Mayor

Kay M. Goebel, Clerk