

A regular meeting of the Bad Axe City Council was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Monday February 6, 2012 by Mayor Hicks.

### **ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Jim Hicks; Council members: Cleland, Hall, Particka, Peterson, Rapson and Rochefort. Other Officers present: City Manager VanDeVusse, Clerk Goebel.

Absent: None.

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Clerk Goebel read the minutes from the January 17, 2012 regular meeting. Motion by Rapson second by Particka to approve the minutes as read and the work study minutes from January 17, 2012.

AYES: Cleland, Peterson, Particka, Hicks, Rapson, Rochefort, Hall.  
NO: None.

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Brian Clark, 142 W. Huron Ave. requested council to consider an ordinance restricting the use of “jake braking.” Mayor Hicks referred it to the Ordinance Committee for review.

### **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. Motion by Cleland second by Particka to approve the first reading of Ordinance 2012-1; Chapter 3, Animal & Fowl, Article III, Section 3-38 Removal of Defecation.

AYES: Cleland, Peterson, Hall, Particka, Hicks, Rochefort, Rapson.  
NO: None.

2. Motion by Cleland second by Particka to schedule a public hearing for February 21, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. regarding proposed Ordinance 2012-1. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

3. Motion by Cleland, second by Peterson to purchase a computer from Heiden Consulting for \$ 1,173.57 for the assessing department.

AYES: Rapson, Hall, Particka, Cleland, Peterson, Rochefort, Hicks.  
NO: None.

4. Motion by Hall second by Rapson to approve the attached proposed amendments to the water tower lease agreement.

AYES: Particka, Hicks, Peterson, Cleland, Rapson, Rochefort, Hall.  
NO: None.

5. Motion by Hall second by Rapson to approve payment of bills in the amount of \$ 158,753.36.

AYES: Hall, Rochefort, Hicks, Particka, Peterson, Cleland, Rapson.  
NO: None.

6. Motion by Cleland second by Rapson to seek bids for the demolition of the hose tower and old city hall.

AYES: Particka, Peterson, Hall, Rapson, Rochefort, Cleland, Hicks.  
NO: None.

7. Motion by Hall second by Cleland to seek bids for the construction of a storage facility.

AYES: Hicks, Hall, Rochefort, Rapson, Cleland, Peterson, Particka.  
NO: None.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilman Hall stated that as a result of the reduction of annual water usage the Huron Regional Water Authority is increasing rates effective March 1, 2012.

Councilman Rochefort suggested establishing a uniform price to connect to the city's water system.

Councilwoman Particka stated that the Knights of Columbus will be celebrating an Induction into the 4<sup>th</sup> Degree at the Bad Axe Knights of Columbus hall on November 3, 2012.

Clerk Goebel stated that Bad Axe City hall will be open on Saturday, February 25, 2012 from noon until 2:00 p.m. for residents to obtain a ballot for the February 28, 2012 Presidential Primary Election.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Cleland second by Particka to adjourn at 5:57 p.m. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

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Jim Hicks, Mayor

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Kay M. Goebel, Clerk