

A regular meeting of the Bad Axe City Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, May 21, 2012 by Mayor Hicks.

ROLL CALL

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

Absent: Particka and Rochefort.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Clerk Goebel read the minutes from the May 7, 2012 regular meeting. Motion by Cleland, second by Hall to approve the May 7, 2012 minutes as read with correction as noted by Councilman Hall.

Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Motion by Hall, second by Cleland to approve Resolution 2012-9; Liquor License for Hatchet Festival, June 8 & 9, 2012. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

2. Motion by Cleland, second by Peterson to approve Resolution 2012-10; expend restricted funds from sewer fund. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

3. Motion by Cleland, second by Peterson to approve Resolution 2012-11; expend restricted funds from water fund. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

4. Motion by Cleland, second by Peterson to approve Engineer's Certificate No.7; final to Nicol and Sons, Inc. for the Cleveland Street Reconstruction in the amount of \$750.00.

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

5. Motion by Peterson, second by Hall to approve the 2012 fireworks display permit for the Hatchet Festival to be held June 9, 2012 at dusk. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

6. Motion by Rapson, second by Hicks to approve the certificate of appreciation to I.T.C. for hosting Paul W. Smith, WJR. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

7. Motion by Rapson, second by Hicks to approve the certificate of appreciation to Bad Axe Theater, Mark Rolfe for sponsoring Paul W. Smith, WJR. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

8. Motion by Hall, second by Cleland to appoint David Rapson to the Bad Axe Area District Library. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

9. Motion by Cleland, second by Peterson to schedule a public hearing regarding the 2012-2013 recommended budget for June 4, 2012 at 5:30 p.m. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

10. Motion by Hall, second by Rapson to approve the purchase of three (3) computers in the amount of \$1,079.57 and one (1) monitor in the amount of \$150.00 from Heiden Consulting; for the City Clerk's office and both front office windows.

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

11. Motion by Hall, second by Rapson to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$183,246.77.

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

Motion by Cleland, second by Peterson to adjourn into closed session at 7:44 p.m. for the purpose of discussing union negotiations.

The council reconvened at 7:50 p.m. Motion by Rapson, second by Hall to approve the closed session minutes. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

City Manager VanDeVusse informed council that he met with the Michigan Department of Transportation regarding the completion of the survey of traffic lights within in the city. They indicated that the traffic signal at Buschlen Street will remain operational, the signal at Watkins will be removed and the Irwin Street will be resurveyed in the fall when school resumes. He did state that the light at Irwin will be placed on caution flashing mode prior to the reassessment. Councilmember suggested additional signage be placed to alert drivers of this change.

Mayor Hicks stated that the council member handbook needed updating and requested that the fences in the park be painted.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Cleland, second by Rapson to adjourn at 8:08 p.m.
Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

Jim Hicks, Mayor

Kay M. Goebel, Clerk