

IMLAY CITY COMMISSION
150 N. Main Street
IMLAY CITY, MI 48444

REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2018
7:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bargaen called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Bargaen led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Walt Bargaen
Commissioner Amy Planck
Commissioner Mike Romine
Commissioner Bob Tanis

PRO-TEM Joi Kempf
Commissioner Al Ramirez
Commissioner Frank Demske

Also Present, City Manager Tom Youatt, City Clerk/Treasurer Lynn Eutsler, City Bookkeeper Renee Mazey, DPW Superintendent Ed Priehs, Fire Chief Rick Horton, 3 Representatives for Pinnacle Foods/Vlasic, 5 Members of the Community, and 2 members of the media.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Romine, seconded by Kempf to approve the agenda with the addition of:
Old Business – 7B – MERS New Division
New Business – 8D – DPW Generator Bid

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

Motion by Romine, seconded by Demske to approve the Consent Agenda and Payment of Bills as presented.

A. Approval of Commission Minutes – October 2, 2018 and October 9, 2018 Special Meeting

B. Other Minutes – September 10, 2018 – DDA
September 26, 2018 – Lamb Steele

C. Payment of Bills in the amount of – Tri-County - \$ 328,560.82
Lakestone - \$ 573.00
\$ 329,133.82

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Kempf, Demske, Planck, Ramirez, Romine, Tanis, Bargaen
Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. CITIZENS FROM THE FLOOR

Allen Rosenbalm – Expressed his appreciation for service to the City to the outgoing board members: City Mayor Walt Barga, Commissioner Amy Planck, and Commissioner Bob Tanis.

Tim Wagner – New Plant Manager for Vlastic – Asked the Board to postpone the vote on the new water/sewer rates for Vlastic to give them additional time to review the rate proposals and meet with GLWA.

Doug Donnell – Vlastic Legal Advisor – Asked the Board to postpone the vote on the new water/sewer rates for Vlastic. They have had meetings with the City’s DPW Superintendent and the City Manager which has given them a better understanding of the peak hours. They would like additional time to review the proposed increases provided by Stantec.

Ian Kempf – The City won the Law suit

7. OLD BUSINESS

A. Proposed Water & Sewer Rate Increase

City Manager Tom Youatt has reviewed the proposed Water/Sewer Rate Increases recommended for Vlastic from Stantec and states that Vlastic has requested additional information. Youatt is recommending that the City approve the Rate increases to the City Residents and Businesses as follows and to postpone the rate increases to Vlastic. A Special Meeting will be held in the next two weeks to approve rate increases for Vlastic.

Residents will see an increase of 9% Water and 9% Sewer

These rate increases are effective retroactively to September 1, 2018

Motion by Romine, seconded by Kempf to approve the Increase of Water & Sewer Rates to the City Residents and Businesses with the retroactive date of September 1, 2018 as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Demski, Planck, Ramirez, Romine, Tanis, Kempf, Barga

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion by Romine, seconded by Kempf to postpone the rate increases to Vlastic as presented.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. MERS New Division

City Manager Tom Youatt stated that per his contract, his contribution to the MERS plan would be 3% rather than the 3.5% the City Employees are contributing. MERS needed to divide the plan into two Divisions to accommodate State Regulations. Youatt’s contributions would be placed in a separate account. Youatt would also like to authorize Mayor Walt Barga to sign the new agreement with MERS.

Motion by Romine, seconded by Kempf to approve the new agreement from MERS and authorize Mayor Walt Barga to sign the new agreement as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Kempf, Planck, Ramirez, Romine, Tanis, Barga

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. NEW BUSINESS

A. Water Meter Purchase

City Manager Youatt presented the proposal for 200 water meter reading units. Youatt stated that the new units will make the billing of water more efficient.

Motion by Romine, seconded by Planck to approve the proposal from Etna Supply for the purchase of 200 water meter reading units at the cost of \$ 30,000.00 as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Ramirez, Romine, Tanis, Kempf, Demske, Planck, Bargaen
Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

B. Water Proposal – DeShano Assisted Living

City Manager Tom Youatt presented a letter from the Spicer Group asking to award the water main portion of the project be awarded to Northwest Earth Movers. The contract is in the amount is \$47,345.00. DeShano will pay the City for the work.

Motion by Romine, seconded by Demske to award the water main project for the DeShano Assisted Living Facility to Northwest Earth Movers in the amount of \$47,345.00 as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Planck, Ramirez, Romine, Tanis, Kempf, Demske, Bargaen
Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. Bid Tab – DPW Truck

City Manager Tom Youatt presented the four Bids for the 2002 Silverado DPW Truck as follows:

Michael Justice	\$ 500.00
Jerry Pewinski	\$1,025.00
Mark Hoeksema	\$ 400.00
Renee Mazey	\$ 525.00

Motion by Planck, seconded by Kempf to sell the 2002 Silverado DPW Truck to the highest bidder, Jerry Pewinski, in the amount of \$1025.00 as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Romine, Tanis, Kempf, Demske, Planck, Ramirez, Bargaen
Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

D. Bid Tab - DPW Standby Generator

City Manager Tom Youatt presented the two Bids for the purchase and installation of a Standby Generator for the DPW as follows:

Ainsworth Electric \$ 21,900.00
Goyette Mechanical \$ 20,050.00

Motion by Ramirez, seconded by Romine to award the Bid Proposal for a Generac Standby Generator for the DPW to the lowest bid, Goyette Mechanical in the amount of \$20,050.00 as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Tanis, Kempf, Demske, Planck, Ramirez, Romine, Bargaen
Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. MANAGERS REPORT

City Manager Tom Youatt stated that the proposed 4th St. renovations will make both water towers more efficient and will help with the water/sewer rates. Youatt will be meeting with the Fire Chief and his staff to review the Site Plan for the new Fire Hall. MERS Conference was informative. The City of Imlay City is just under 70% of our Funding Percentage to the Pension Fund and the City may recommend an additional amount be contributed to the Pension Fund.

10. OTHER
None

11. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Romine, seconded by Demske to adjourn at 8:02 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted by: _____
Lynn Eutsler, City Clerk/Treasurer
Approved: