

City of Bronson  
Regular Council Meeting  
May 9, 2016

Mayor Cole called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Cole, McConn, Cox, Earl, Kenny  
Absent: None

Public Comment: Leonard Kolcz was present to announce he would be running for County Commissioner. Sheriff Pollack gave an update on his department's activities for the last month.

Consent Agenda – Vice-Mayor McConn moved to approve the consent agenda including payment of invoices totaling \$27,693.82. Seconded by Councilman Kenny. Motion carried.

New Business – 2016-2017 Budget Discussion – Manager Mersman outlined the proposed budget for the upcoming year. He explained the most significance change in the general fund was going to the cost for trash and recycling and further work at the Memorial Park. He said motor pool rent was being reduced in all funds. He said the biggest project for the year was the Matteson Street reconstruction. This was going cause major expenses in the water, major street and general fund. Council had no comments or questions concerning the proposed budget so Manager Mersman said he would finalize it and set up a special meeting for approval.

Matteson Street Engineering Services Proposal – Amendment – Manager Mersman explained to Council that when the contract for engineering for the Matteson Street reconstruction was awarded to Williams & Works it was estimated the project would take 7 weeks. Since the bid has been awarded for the work it has been determined the project will take approximately 10 weeks. Manager Mersman explained it is required that the engineer be on site during the construction so there will be additional costs to the engineering of \$18,950. He was recommending approving the amendment to engineering costs. This would bring the total of engineering costs not to exceed \$87,500. Councilwoman Cox moved to approve the amendment to the engineering costs. Seconded by Councilman Earl. Motion carried.

Street Lighting – Resolution No. 16-5-6 – Manager Mersman explained that back in March Council approved the replacement of Mercury Vapor streetlights to LED streetlights and this resolution would facilitate the signing of contracts by the city clerk and himself to get the work done by Consumers Energy. Councilman Earl moved to adopt Resolution No. 16-5-6. Seconded by Councilwoman Cox. Motion carried.

Water Capital Improvement Plan – Manager Mersman told Council that Prein & Newhof has completed the Water Capital Improvement plan for the city to satisfy MDEQ requirements prior to the beginning of the new year. MDEQ has now informed the City that this must be adopted by City Council. He said he had included the plan in Council's packet and was recommending approval of the plan. Councilman Kenny moved to approve the Water Capital Improvement Plan. Seconded by Vice-Mayor McConn. Motion carried.

City Staff Comments – None

Manager Comments – Manager Mersman thanked everyone who help clean up after the recent severe storm especially Albright Farms and city resident Mike Waltke. Manager Mersman congratulated Clerk/Treasurer Karen Smith on her 33<sup>rd</sup> anniversary today working for the City.

Council Comments – Council congratulated Clerk/Treasurer Smith on her 33<sup>rd</sup> anniversary with the City. Council also thanked everyone who helped clean up storm damage. Vice-Mayor McConn thanked City staff for preparing the proposed budget.

Adjourn – Vice-Mayor McConn moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Kenny. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen A. Smith, City Clerk