

City of Bronson
Regular Council Meeting
July 11, 2016

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

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

Public Comment: Sheriff Pollack gave a report on activities at the sheriff's department for the month. Resident Leon Verrill asked for details on the sidewalk replacement program going on in the city. Mayor Cole told him to contact City Manager Mersman during office hours and he would provide him the information needed. County Commissioner Don Vrablic said he was present to let everyone know that the County was not responsible for the bridge construction on US12 between Bronson and Coldwater. He said it was a MDOT project and the lack of detour signs were the State's problem. He asked everyone to contact MDOT to voice their concerns.

Consent Agenda – Vice-Mayor McConn moved to approve the consent agenda including payment of invoices totaling \$31,609.67. Seconded by Councilman Kenny. Motion carried.

New Business – Resolution Adopting Bylaws for Brownfield Development Redevelopment Authority – Resolution No. 16-7-11 – Councilwoman Cox moved to approve Resolution No. 16-7-11. Seconded by Councilman Earl. Motion carried.

Vacant Industrial Properties – Real Estate Agreement – Manager Mersman explained to Council he would like to list the City's vacant industrial land with a commercial real estate agent. He said he would like to see the city actively market the property. Councilman Earl moved to have Manager Mersman execute documents needed to list the industrial property with a commercial realtor. Seconded by Councilwoman Cox. Motion carried.

Assess Management Software Discussion – Manager Mersman said he recently sat in on a demonstration on GIS/Asset Management software. He said he believed this software would be a benefit for logging and storing infrastructure information. He said he would like to pursue getting information and pricing for this type of software. He asked Council to authorize him to draft and release a request for proposals for asset management software. Vice-Mayor McConn moved to approve Manager Mersman's request to pursue the asset management software. Seconded by Councilman Kenny. Motion carried.

Authorize Purchase of Well #4 Generator – Manager Mersman told Council the MDEQ has recommended the installation of a generator at Well #4. He said Supervisor Buckley sought quotes and was recommending accepting the low bid from B & B Electric of 3141.23. Councilman Kenny moved to accept the bid from B & B Electric. Seconded by Vice-Mayor McConn. Motion carried.

City Staff Comments – None

Manager Comments – Manager Mersman told Council the water main construction on Rudd St and W. Corey St. was complete. He said the work on the west lane of Matteson Street should begin this week.

He invited everyone to stay after the meeting for a public information session on the upcoming Branch County jail millage proposal.

Council Comments – Council reminded everyone Polish Festival was next week and thanked everyone who helped put the event together. Council thanked residents for their patience during the Matteson Street reconstruction project.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Karen A. Smith, City Clerk