

City of Bronson
Regular Council Meeting
April 12, 2021

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

Roll Call: Present: McConn, Johannes, Rinehart, Watkins, Duke
Absent: None

Public Comment – None

Presentation – Stormwater, Asset Management and Wastewater (SAW) Grant Evaluation Presentation - Michael Schwartz, P.E. of Prien & Newhof presented the findings of the SAW grant studies. He said this was the first part of his presentation and over the next couple of months he would discuss capital improvement plans to address the findings of the study. He outlined the age of City's wastewater and stormwater system. He then showed the results of the studies that have been conducted on the City's systems. He highlighted areas that are showing deterioration and the types of problems that exist in those areas. He said next month he outline a capital improvement plan and in future meetings would address how to finance the improvements needed.

Consent Agenda – Vice-Mayor Watkins moved to approve the consent agenda including payment of invoices totaling \$89,274.85. Seconded by Councilman Johannes. Motion carried.

New Business- Approve Fire Works Ordinance #216 – Councilman Johannes moved to adopt Ordinance #216 regulating the use of fireworks in the City of Bronson. Seconded by Vice-Mayor Watkins. Motion carried.

Review of Council Goals for FY2021-2022 Budget – Discussion – Manager Mersman said he reviewed previous years goals and updated them. He said all the goals were ongoing and asked Council if they had any comments or suggestions for the upcoming years goals. Council decided the projects and goals on the list were in line with what they would like to see accomplished in the upcoming year.

Approve City Website Update & Hosting Agreement – Manager Mersman told Council the City's website needed updating. He said he sought proposals and received two. He was recommending accepting the proposal from Reviz Government Websites at a cost of \$4,050.00 over four years for design, hosting and support. Vice-Mayor Watkins moved to approve the proposal from Reviz Government Websites as recommended by Manager Mersman. Seconded by Councilman Johannes. Motion carried.

Staff Comments – Police Chief Johnson said the new police car was in service and if anyone would like to look at it, he would be happy to show it to them.

City Manager Comments – Manager Mersman said he was working on the MSHDA grants and hopefully would be able to fully fund two projects and one partial project. He also said the preconstruction meeting for the Ruggles/Compton Streets project would be April 23rd. He said the start date of the project would be about May 3rd with a completion date of August 21st.

Council Comments – Councilman Johannes thanked all City employees for all their efforts in keeping the City running and moving forward with projects during these difficult times. He said all departments including the office staff, the DPW, the Police department and fire and rescue have done an outstanding job under these uncertain and challenging times. Council all agreed with Councilman Johannes and thanked City staff also. Vice-Mayor Watkins thanked Mike Schwartz for the SAW Grant presentation. Mayor McConn congratulated Bronson Schools students and athletes for all their accomplishments over the last few months. He reminded everyone the weather was getting warmer and to watch out for children out playing and riding bicycles.

Adjourn – Councilman Rinehart moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Councilman Duke. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Smith, City Clerk/Treas.