

**BRIDGMAN CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 19, 2018
6:30 PM**

The regular meeting of the Bridgman City Council was held on February 19, 2018 at Bridgman City Hall, 9765 Maple Street, Bridgman, Michigan and called to order by Mayor Anderson at 6:30 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Robert Liskey, Georgia Gipson, Vince Rose, Hannah Anderson, Jim Catania, Ken High, Rick Fuller

COUNCIL ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Ganum, City Clerk Holm, Attorney Senica, Police Chief Unruh, Water/Sewer Superintendent Kading, Engineer Nykamp, Fire Chief Buist, Treasurer Lambrix

Pledge of Allegiance was led by council.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

No one wished to be heard.

APPROVE/AMEND THE AGENDA:

Motion by Council Member Catania, supported by Council Member Gipson to approve the agenda for February 19, 2018 as presented, **motion carried unanimously.**

ACTION ITEMS:

Motion by Council Member Rose, seconded by Council Member High to approve the minutes of the January 29, 2018 special meeting, January 29, 2018 closed meeting and February 5, 2018 regular meeting, **motion carried unanimously.**

Motion by Council Member Catania, seconded by Council Member Rose to approve the bills in the amount of \$113,610.65, **motion carried unanimously.**

Motion by Council Member Catania, seconded by Council Member Gipson to approve the Memorandum of Understanding between City of Bridgman Fire Department and Berrien Springs Oronoko Township Fire Department, **motion carried unanimously.**

Motion by Council Member High, seconded by Council Member Rose to approve the amendments to the City's FY 2018 (July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018) Budget as presented, **motion carried unanimously.**

Motion by Council Member Catania, seconded by Council Member Gipson to approve the contract between the City of Bridgman and Selge Construction Company, Inc. in the amount of \$359,612.50 for the replacement of the lift station on Baldwin Road, **motion carried unanimously.**

Attorney Senica explained Resolution 2018-02 that is being presented to council tonight. This is to begin the process of collecting information to bring back to council to consider creating a Special Assessment District for Trash and Recycling services. The City needs to first see who all receives trash service and

which businesses are paying for their own dumpster service. The City also needs to look at who all will be charged and whether to charge vacant parcels or not. The City currently has a great contract with Republic and wants to pass the deal on to the citizens which is \$8.05 per unit monthly.

Motion by Council Member Catania, seconded by Council Member Rose to adopt **Resolution 2018-02** A resolution to direct the City Manager, with the assistance of City staff, to prepare a report and other necessary information, including an estimate of costs, a proposed district, and other items, to be considered by the City Council in creating a Special Assessment District for Trash, Rubbish and Recycling services, **motion carried unanimously.**

WORKSHOP DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Engineer's report – status of Donna Drive and Vista Drive Improvement Project; Street Department Garage Renovation Project

- Mary Nykamp gave the council an update on the upcoming projects. There was a public meeting held on February 8th for the residents in the Donna/Vista Drive subdivision. Comments were received from the residents and the plans have since been revised. The bids for this project will be going out tomorrow with the bid opening scheduled for March 13th. This information will be presented to council on the second meeting in March.
- The Street Department renovation project is currently out for bid with a scheduled bid opening for March 9th. This information will also be on the second council meeting in March. There was a walk through of the DPW building last week with quite a few people in attendance. The bid results will be broken down showing different alternates for the council to approve.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

No one wished to be heard.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- Member Fuller complimented the engineers from Whitman that attended the Donna/Vista Drive public meeting on February 8th. He said that it was very well handled. The engineers listened to the residents, adapted to what they said, and ended up altering the plans. There are quite a few people in attendance tonight which is nice to see. If anyone has something to say, the council is here to listen. He has been hearing a lot of comments lately regarding the support for the boat ramp.
- Member Liskey directed question about the Donna/Vista Drive project to Nykamp and told her about an interesting article he read in the Herald Palladium about the reconstruction of roads.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Council Member Catania, seconded by Council Member Gipson to adjourn the meeting at 6:54 p.m., **motion carried unanimously.**

Hannah Anderson, Mayor

Allyson Holm, City Clerk