

**MINUTES - BENSON CITY COUNCIL - REGULAR MEETING
JULY 24, 2017**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Landmark. Members present: Terri Collins, Jack Evenson, Gary Landmark, Stephanie Heinzig & Lucas Olson. Members Absent: None. Also present: City Manager Rob Wolfington, Director of Finance Glen Pederson, Public Works Director Dan Gens, Police Officer Jon Reigstad, School Superintendent Dennis Laumeyer, School Board Members Chad Payne, Andy Abner and Bill McGearry and Stephanie Cid.

The Council recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Landmark asked if there were any changes to the agenda. A Gambling Permit for the Fraternal Order of Police, Final Pay request for the fuel tank at the Power Plant, and Dan Gens Application to the Airport Board were added. It was moved by Evenson, seconded by Collins and carried unanimously to approve the agenda as amended.

It was moved by Collins, seconded by Evenson and carried unanimously to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- July 10, 2017 City Council Minutes
- June 5, 2017 Planning Commission Minutes
- June 15, 2017 EDA Minutes
- February 2016-July 2017 Library Board Minutes
- Gene Doscher, Leroy Noreen and Dan Gens Appointment to the Airport Board

The Mayor asked for people with unscheduled business to which there were none.

School Superintendent Laumeyer stated he and fellow School Board members were interested in the north end of the Civic Center for several school activities and asked the Council what activities or uses the City and School could partner for on that space. Mayor Landmark suggested a committee of two Council members, two School Board Members and two Civic Center Board members to include Glen Pederson, to hold a special meeting and return to the Council with a proposal to consider.

Stephanie Cid approached the Council. Wolfington said last year the Cids received a \$55,000 EDA loan for remodeling the new Mi Mexico Restaurant. Due to unforeseen structural issues, they will need more money to finish. Any EDA loan to a business over \$100,000 must come before the Council for approval. The EDA has reviewed the finances and feel it is a good investment and recommended approval to increase their loan to \$133,000. Stephanie said they are hoping with the loan to open by October 1, 2017. Wolfington reviewed the terms. After discussion, it was moved by Evenson, seconded by Heinzig and carried unanimously to approve the \$133,000 loan to Mi Mexico.

Next was a request from the Civic Center Board to pave the parking lot at the Civic Center. The Civic Center Board would share 50% in the cost of paving the lot. It is estimated the total cost would be \$15,716.75. After discussion, it was moved by Evenson, seconded by Collins and carried unanimously to deny the request to share in paving the Civic Center Parking lot.

Next were bids for a used motor grader. The bids presented as follows:

No.	Grader Description	Sell Price	Trade In	Net Price
Ziegler Cat				
1	2011 CAT-6,150 hours	\$176,500	\$18,500	\$158,000
2	2011 CAT-5,385 hours	\$128,500	\$18,500	\$110,000*
RDO Equipment				
3	2010 John Deere-3,376 hours	\$136,500	\$20,000	\$116,500
4	2008 John Deere-2,952 hours	\$153,558	\$20,000	\$133,558

*Option 1 = Deduct \$1,200 in City installs wing Option 2 = 2012 New hydraulic wing add \$12,850

- No. 1 High price and too many hours
- No. 2 Too Many hours
- No. 3 Poor condition and needs several repairs
- No. 4 Staff recommended

After discussion, it was moved by Evenson, seconded by Olson and carried unanimously to approve the purchase of the 2008 John Deere motor grader from RDO Equipment in the amount of \$133,558.

Next the Line Crew is selling their 2007 4 X 4 bucket truck. Three bids for purchase came in as follows:

Ralph's Electric Inc.	\$9,000
E & M Electric	\$17,500
Loen Electric	\$35,200

It was moved by Evenson, seconded by Colins and carried unanimously to accept the bid from Loen Electric in the amount of \$35,200.

The Council reviewed the Kid Day event and expenses.

It was moved Evenson, seconded by Heinzig and carried unanimously to approve the bills and warrants in the amount of \$488,214.20.

Next was a gambling Permit for the Fraternal Order of Police raffle on October 23, 2017. It was moved by Heinzig, seconded by Collins and carried unanimously to approve the gambling permit.

There was a final pay request for the fuel tank replacement at the power plant. It was moved by Collins, seconded by Olson and carried unanimously to accept the project as complete and approve the final pay request to O'Day Equipment LLC. in the amount of \$4,963.68.

There being no further business to come before the Council upon motion by Evenson, seconded by Collins and carried unanimously to adjourn the Council meeting at 5:50 p.m.

Mayor

City Clerk