

City of Bancroft
City Council Meeting
Monday November 9, 2009
City Council Chambers
7:00 PM

Mayor Janice Wolf called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM

Those present included council members Phil Jaren, Robert Richter, Tom Johnson, Judy Vaske, Melinda Hauptmann, and Mayor Janice Wolf. Others present include Glenn Hauptmann, Nancy Shillington, Stan Lowe, Mary Ann Elliott Chris Diggins from the North Iowa Area Council of Governments (NIACOG), and city staff Vickie Rahe, Tim Rowlett, Tracy Elliott, Brian Hattten, Mark Reimers, and Michael Brennan.

Motion Johnson, second Jaren to approve the agenda. All approve.

Motion Vaske, second Johnson to approve the Consent Agenda including all council minutes and city and utility reports. All approve.

Motion Johnson, second Jaren to approve the city and utility bills. All approve.

Chris Diggins from NIACOG presented information related to the \$566,000 CDBG grant awarded to the city. The first step is to sign contracts from the state. Once those occur, NIACOG will assist with the process.

Motion Vaske, second Johnson to approve the renewal of the Menke Building Lease with a \$25.00 monthly increase. All approve.

Motion Vaske, second Johnson to approve the hiring of McPeck for electrical wire burial within the City of Bancroft. All approve

Scheduled a meeting of the Electrical Committee for Thursday, November 19, at 5:00 pm to review and discuss the BMU 2010 budget.

Motion Jaren, second Richter to approve the renewal of 2 bank CDs. The CDs' will remain where they are in Farmers and Traders Savings Bank (Approximately \$163,000) and the Bank of Burt (approximately \$100,408.) Jaren, Richter, Vaske, and Hauptmann Yay; Johnson Nay.

Motion Johnson, second Richter to schedule a public hearing on Monday December 14, 2009 at 7:30 PM to accept public comment for a proposed rate increase to Bancroft Municipal Water and Sewer rates as follows:

Water: Increase base rate from \$9.00 to \$10.50 per month
Increase usage rates by \$.25 per 1000 gallons for each usage category:

- 0 – 5,000 gal. rate from \$3.50 up to \$3.75 per 1,000 gal.
- 5,001 – 20,000 gal. usage rate from \$3.00 to \$3.25 per 1,000 gal.
- 20,001 – 150,000 gal. rate from \$2.50 to \$2.75 per 1,000 gal.
- Over 150,000 gallons from \$2.20 to \$2.35 per 1,000 gallons

Sewer: Increase Base rate from \$9.45 to \$11.50 for Residential, Commercial, and Industrial
Increase usage rate per 1000 gallons of water consumption from \$3.16 to \$3.65.

The rate increase would take effect January 1, 2010. All approve.

Motion Vaske, second Johnson to not charge account number 11400101 for additional water and sewer usage. The water is shut off at the street. Any remaining credit will not be issued on the account until after a final reading is obtained. All approve.

Motion Richter, second Johnson to approve \$20.00 hourly rate for ambulance crew to assist BMU during off-hours emergencies when needed and available. All approve.

Motion Johnson, second Jaren to hire Darren McGregor as an Ambulance driver. All approve.

Motion Johnson, second Hauptmann to approve the posting of city council audio from city council meeting. Johnson, Jaren, Vaske, and Hauptmann Yay; Richter Nay.

Motion Johson, second Vaske to adjourn. All approve.

Mayor Janice Wolf

Attest: Michael Brennan, City Administrator