

City of Bayfield Common Council Meeting

Bayfield City Hall, 125 South First Street, Bayfield, WI 54814 * 715-779-5712

Monday, June 8, 2015 -- 4 pm

Call to Order – Roll Call – Pledge of Allegiance:

Mayor MacDonald called the meeting to order at 4 p.m. at the Bayfield City Hall followed by roll call and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Nelson, Bryan, McMullin and Mayor MacDonald

Absent: Johnson

Others: Michelle Shrider, George and Nancy Hof, Justin Hardt, David Eades, Barb and Bruce Hoekstra, Dede Eckels, Don Albrecht, Patrick and Tanya Georgeson, Linda Georgeson, Ashley Newbrough, PWD Kovachevich, Chief Fangman, and Clerk Hoopman

Approve Agenda: Bryan/Nelson moved to approve the agenda with the understanding they would move Agenda Item #8 to #1. Carried.

Approve Board of Review and Council Meeting Minutes of May 11, 2015: Nelson/Bryan moved to approve. Carried.

Public Input on Agenda Items:

George Hof – Mr. Hof thanked the Council for receiving their petition. He said he did not have much to add, “the petition speaks for itself”. Their key question to the Council, is what is going on at the Georgeson property in keeping with the Historical and Residential District? He does not believe that having 5 boats and a similar number of vehicles is in keeping with that of a residential area.

Nancy Hof – Ms. Hof added, “we don’t object to the construction”, but voiced concern over the number of boats on the property. She asked, would be wise for the City to set a limit on the number of boats/vehicles allowed per parcel? She feels it is a public nuisance.

Barb Hoekstra – Ms. Hoekstra voiced her support of Mr. and Mrs. Hof’s comments. The Council learned the Hof’s have been in Bayfield for 43 years. She suggested adding language to Section 314 specifically on the outside storage and number of boats allowed. She noted boat storage is restricted in commercial zones but not residential.

Agenda Items:

1. 2015 Alcohol, Servers, Coin and Tobacco Licenses:

McMullin/Bryan moved to grant the 2015 Alcohol, Servers, Coin and Tobacco Licenses as shown on the report provided by Hoopman, they accepted the premise description change allowing the Creamery Bar, located at 31 South First Street, to add an 8’x60’ outdoor area to the south side of their property (to be covered and will have railing detail around the perimeter) and denied the request from Mr. Brandon Duffy for a Server’s License. Carried.

2. Resolution #480 – Opposing Room Tax Law Changes Inserted into the State Budget:

McMullin/Bryan made a motion to approve Resolution #480 as presented. Discussion. The Mayor briefly explained the recent action taken by the Joint Finance Committee and explained the negative impact this will cause to the City of Bayfield’s budget beginning in 2016. The resolution seeks to ask the legislature to remove the insertion, and asks the Governor to line item veto the room tax change insertion. Passed by roll call vote as follows: Nelson, Bryan and McMullin – yes.

3. Neighborhood Petition – Fifth Street:

Councilor Bryan indicated he felt a valid point had been raised. He is in favor of having the Plan Commission look at other ordinances that provide for a reasonable number on the amount of boats that can be stored.

Ms. Linda Georgeson asked the Council under what circumstance or authority does the Council have to listen to residents about these types of issues. “What is the jurisdiction of the Council to act upon a Neighborhood Petition?” She indicated there has been dramatic improvement to the property.

Mr. Patrick Georgeson told the Council they own all of the boats.

Because the Council was no longer under Public Input, the Mayor limited the Georgeson's comments.

Bryan/McMullin made a motion to turn the issue over to the Plan Commission for review and consideration. Carried.

4. **Foley and Lardner – Engagement Letter Agreement:**

The Council reviewed a draft Engagement Letter Agreement Relating to the City of Bayfield's Water System and Sewer System Revenue Bonds, Series 2015 (CWFPL). Bryan/McMullin moved to approve the Engagement Letter as presented and to approve the Mayor's signature on the final copy once received. Passed by roll call vote as follows: Bryan, McMullin and Nelson – yes.

5. **Public Financial Management Agreement:**

The Council will review this agreement at the Special Meeting on June 15, 2015.

6. **Bayfield Chamber of Commerce and Visitor Bureau – Street Event Vending (July 17-19, 2015)**

Bryan/Nelson made a motion to approve the Street Event Vending permit as requested. Carried.

7. **2015 Catholic Hill Watermain Project:**

A. **Safe Drinking Water Loan and Principal Forgiveness and related documents:** The Council will review these documents at their Special Meeting on June 15, 2015.

B. **Army Corp of Engineers – PPA:** McMullin/Nelson moved to approve the Mayor's signature on the Agreement between the Department of the Army and the City of Bayfield for Design and Construction assistance for the Catholic Hill Water System Rehabilitation Project. Passed by roll call vote as follows: McMullin, Nelson, and Bryan – yes.

8. **Proclamation – Spinal Cord Awareness Month:**

McMullin/Bryan made a motion to approve the Spinal Cord Awareness Month (September 2015) Proclamation as presented. Carried.

9. **Project Updates:**

- a. **Historic Streets Project:** This project is moving along swiftly. Brick work will continue on S. Broad, concrete work on S. Second, and lighting work to begin on N. Broad Street.
- b. **2015 Catholic Hill Water Main Improvement:** Final main and service connections are being made on Sweeny Avenue, Washington Avenue and Hwy. 13 are completed with the exception of site restoration, and crews are expecting to begin on Rice Avenue mid-week.
- c. **2016 Swede Hill Water Main Improvement:** Final plan details are being worked out. Kovachevich noted most areas will be done using a trench path with the exception of the block by the school. This area is being looked at for water and sewer improvements and total street reconstruction.
- d. **Historic Waterfront Walk:** Signs are starting to be mounted; four pictures were provided. Jim Bryan specifically gave an expression of appreciation to Don Albrecht. Albrecht has provided over 100 hours of in-kind effort toward this project. He created the art and content on the panels and even spent time fabricating them in conjunction with the National Park Service. Thank you!
- e. **Harbor Commission's L.E. Dock Improvement Project:** The Commission is currently working on the contract documents and is hoping to have them finalized and ready for Nelson Construction by their next meeting.

10. **Mayor's Report:**

The Council received a written report dated May 12 to June 8, 2015. Informational; no action required.

Reports from Committees, Commission & Boards:

Architectural Review Board: Minutes of April 27 and May 26, 2015

Finance: Minutes of May 11, 2015

Fire Department: Minutes of June 1, 2015

Fire Protection: None.

Greater Bayfield WWTP Commission: None.

Harbor: Minutes of May 4 and June 1, 2015

Library: Minutes of April 15 and May 20, 2015

Parks & Recreation: Minutes of April 21 and May 19, 2015.

Planning: Minutes of May 18, 2015

Police Department: May 2015 Report

Public Works: Minutes of June 5, 2015

Tree Board: Minutes of May 26, 2015

Waterfront: Minutes of May 12 (jointly held with P&Rec.) and June 3, 2015

McMullin/Nelson motioned to place the minutes listed above on file. Nelson updated the Council on the snowmobile trail easements being worked on. Carried.

Correspondence:

- May 1, 2015 Summer Mostly Thursdays Concert Series
 - Balancing Technology and the Law, by Daniel Olson, League Assistant Legal Counsel
- Nelson/Bryan moved to place the correspondence received on file. Carried.

Clerk / Treasurer: Payment of Bills, Treasurer's Report(s), Budget(s):

McMullin/Nelson made a motion to pay the bills as presented and to place the May Treasurer's Report and Budget of file. Passed by roll call vote as follows: Nelson, Bryan and McMullin – yes.

Affirm/Set Next meeting(s): June 15 (Special Mtg.) at 7:30 a.m., and July 13, 2015 at 4 p.m.

Adjournment: Bryan/Nelson made a motion to adjourn. Carried. (4:39 p.m.)

Minutes by: Billie L. Hoopman, Clerk