



NORTH BONNEVILLE CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday, June 28, 2011
Minutes

Meeting Call to Order: 6:30 PM

Roll Call

Present: Mayor Don Stevens, Councilors Tom Herzig, BreAnna Porter, Tim Dudley and Jennifer Stratton-Pies
Absent: Councilor Jim Runkles
Staff Present: Clerk / Treasurer John Spencer, Attorney Ken Woodrich

Guests Present

Approximately 6 guests were present.

Agenda Changes and Additions

Mayor Stevens noted the utility billing item from last meeting was tabled until we heard back from the union on the issue. We have not yet heard back.

Councilor Herzig noted that “Grass mowing” was not on the agenda, but chose not to add it at this time as it would likely come up in discussion.

Public Hearings

None.

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda included 6/14/11 Council Minutes, and 6/28/11 Vouchers.

- **Councilor Dudley moved to approve the consent agenda items; 2nd by Councilor Herzig.**

Yes: Councilors Dudley, Porter, Stratton-Pies and Herzig

No:

Passed 4 – 0

John noted that Councilor Runkles asked to be excused from this meeting.

- **Councilor Dudley moved to approve to excuse Councilor Runkles; 2nd by Councilor Stratton-Pies.**

Yes: Councilors Dudley, Porter, Stratton-Pies and Herzig

No:

Passed 4 – 0

Guest Presentations

None.

Public Comment

Richard Mortweet – Complained that he can't hear the council speaking. He stated that a lot of people are grumbling about the lack of mowing and suggested that the city create a flyer explaining why mowing has been limited and distribute it to all mailboxes.

Cheryl Jermann – Noted that mowing was done in her area. Complained that blackberry vines are a problem along the road and asked the city to do something about them. Also asked for an update on whether fireworks would be banned.

Council Member Comments

Councilor Herzig – Asked what areas of grass have been mowed since the last meeting. Don responded to the best of his knowledge.

Councilor Dudley – Asked what the plan is for taking care of the Hamilton area. Don responded that Public Works has a tractor capable of handling it in conjunction with the regular deck mowers and that it would take 3 men a full day to take care of it. Discussion ensued regarding the advisability of mowing different areas.

Councilor Herzig – Highlighted Councilor Dudley's comment that the highest priority for grass mowing should be on health and safety issues. Discussion ensued.

Clerk/Treasurer's Report

A brief report was submitted orally.

John noted that there is no plan to ban fireworks.

Attorney Report

None.

Unfinished Business

Use of Revenue from Police Car Sales

Mayor Stevens provided background from the last meeting and requested that council allocate the money from police car sales to the general fund for mowing.

- **Councilor Stratton-Pies moved to approve to reconsider the previous vote; 2nd by Councilor Porter for sake of discussion.**

Councilor Herzig noted that speed bumps are as much a safety issue as grass. Discussion ensued.

Yes: Councilors Dudley, Porter, and Stratton-Pies

No: Councilor Herzig

Passed 3 – 1

Further discussion ensued regarding the ramifications of this vote.

New Business

Ordinance 989 – Budget Amendments

- **Councilor Dudley moved to approve ordinance 989; 2nd by Councilor Stratton-Pies.**

Discussion ensued regarding funding sources and uses, and on the merits of using revenue from police car sales to fund grass mowing.

- **Councilor Dudley moved to amend the motion to strike the change to the street fund budget; 2nd by Councilor Stratton-Pies.
Yes: Councilors Dudley, Porter, and Stratton-Pies
No: Councilor Herzig
Passed 3 – 1**

On motion as amended.

**Yes: Councilors Dudley, Porter, and Stratton-Pies
No: Councilor Herzig
Passed 3 – 1**

- **Consensus was reached to fund the Hamilton Block with the revenue from the police cars, with a budget amendment to be created once actual costs are known.**

Ordinance 990 – Donations Code

- **Councilor Dudley moved to accept ordinance 990; 2nd by Councilor Stratton-Pies.**

John noted a typographical correction to section 3.60.060(A) adding “the Mayor” as someone who can accept donations. Discussion ensued regarding various details of the ordinance.

Cheryl Jermann noted that some of the discussion at the last meeting was regarding the possibility of citizens donating money to mow, not to perform actual mowing themselves.

**Yes: Councilors Dudley, Porter, Herzig and Stratton-Pies
No:
Passed 4 – 0**

Councilor Dudley asked for an executive session to discuss potential litigation with the council for 5 minutes.

Recessed to executive session at 7:24 PM.
Returned from executive session at 7:29 PM.

Closing Comments

None.

Adjournment

- **Councilor Porter moved to Adjourn; 2nd by Councilor Stratton-Pies.
Yes: Councilors Porter, Dudley, Herzig, Stratton-Pies
No: None
Adjourned 7:30 PM**

Mayor

Clerk