

# City of Bigfork

City Council  
Regular Meeting  
August 9, 2011  
6:00 p.m.  
City Council Chambers

**Members Present:** Mayor Roger Logdahl, Dan Heinecke, Krista Lane, Amy Pifher, Bob Zimmer

**Members Absent:** none

**Also Present:** City Clerk/Treasurer Wayne Kruse, Matt Pellinen(city engineer) Warren Welch, Julie Aukhus

## Call meeting to Order

Logdahl called the meeting to order at 6:00p.m.

## Public Forum

No one presented information

## Agenda

Addition of York property discussion and equipment for sale and Comprehensive plan and Edge Center Signage.

Pifher asked for items 2 and 6 to be pulled for further discussion.

**Motion made by Zimmer and seconded by Heinecke to approve agenda as amended, passed unanimously**

## Consent Agenda

Clerk informed them that sheriff report was not available as officer in charge was not available and the report will be at next meeting.

Pifher asked to have items 2 and 6 pulled form the consent agenda

**Motion made by Heinecke and seconded by Zimmer to approve consent agenda as amended. Motion carried unanimously**

## **Engineering Report**

City Engineer Mathew Pellinen said the water project proceeding and that a start to the project is expected in September.

Concerning the proposed Hwy 14 and Division Avenue business development, Amy Pifher expressed concern if the City will be protected if a business closes or leaves after the City expands water/sewer to the area. Matt said it is usual for there to be an agreement with the business to protect the City before proceeding.

Concerning the trees that have to be removed at the end of the runway the landowner, Pifhers, wants to remove the trees and get reimbursed for the stumpage and costs. They have agreed to let SEH mark the trees in question. John Licke wrote up an agreement and it is ok with the land owner. Matt then reminded the council that all costs are expected to be paid by MnDOT.

**Bob Zimmer made a motion for SEH to proceed on the Airport tree removal, seconded by Dan Heinecke, approved unanimously.**

## **Liaison's Reports**

Bob Zimmer, weed control liaison, contacted the county extension office about Hogweed possibly being on the East side of Connor Lake Road and that they will look into it.

Bob Zimmer, cemetery liaison, looks good at this time.

Park Liaison, Amy Pifher, stated that she has been in contact with the Bigfork Township Board concerning the lifeguard at the city beach. They do not want to do another three year agreement. Roger Logdahl asked if they would do one year agreements. Amy will look into the possibility. Amy also stated that the Township would like to be reimbursed for any money not spent on the life guards wages.

**Amy Pifher made a motion to reimburse the Bigfork Town ship for any unused funds, seconded by Heinecke, approved unanimously.**

Amy Pifher then expressed concern about the condition of the road in front of James Puffer residence. She also said that the workers were blowing the grass against the windows at the City Hall when mowing. The clerk was informed to let Joe Zimmer know of these concerns.

Amy Pifher then stated that the playground equipment was in poor shape and needs to be removed and replaced. She said that she would contact Joe Zimmer concerning this.

Amy Pifher then stated that the airport looked good but the gate has not been replaced yet.

## **Old Business**

### **Hotel Cleanup**

Mayor Logdahl stated that while attending a meeting with the NIJPB he had talked to Catherine McLynn concerning this, she checked into it and said the County is waiting for the MPCA to

authorize testing for contaminants at the site. The City Clerk then informed the council that the city had gotten confirmation that the testing is authorized and should be occurring soon.

### **Old Equipment**

Dan Heinecke wants a list of equipment up for sale to be in the minutes. This equipment is a 1995 Snapper mower(60” deck)motor needs work, sidewalk brush for Snapper, Old Skag mower(60” deck) deck needs repair, and old brusher, items can be seen next to City water treatment plant.

### **York Property**

The council discussed the condition of the property. Informed the Clerk to contact the County, Catherine McLynn and County Assessor of problem. Clerk is to do this by September 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **New Business**

#### **Bigfork Relief Fund Contribution**

The Clerk presented the amount requested by the Bigfork Fire Department for the Bigfork Relief Fund for 2012 in the amount of \$2,286.00

**Amy Pifher made a motion to approve the amount requested by the Bigfork Relief Fund for 2012, seconded by Krista Lane, approved unanimously**

#### **Signage for The Edge Center**

The Planning and Zoning committee recommended approval of new signage at the Edge Center.

**Pifher made a motion to approve signage, Lane seconded, carried unanimously.**

#### **Appreciation of Jime McGarry**

Amy Pifher has been in contact with Jims family and will present recommendations at next council meeting

#### **Public Forum**

Warren Welch wanted to know if pictures were available of Hogweed. Amy was able to show him a picture.

**Meeting was adjourned at 7:38 pm.**

Wayne Kruse  
City Clerk/Treasurer