

REGULAR MINUTES  
PERE MARQUETTE DEPOT  
Tuesday, February 17, 2009

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Belding, Michigan was convened in open and public session at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, February 17, 2009.

The City Clerk took the roll call:

Members Present: Council Members Bunce, Stout, Wills, Satterlee and Husted.

Members Absent: None.

Council Member Satterlee delivered the invocation.

The Mayor led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor called for the City Manager's Report – noted and filed.

The Mayor called for Guest – Marilyn Smith, Smith Housing Consulting

Marilyn Smith stated that she works with Ionia on the CDBG program. Funds come from MSHDA, through the federal government. They can target the entire city. There are anchors within walking distance of downtown. The program can be for individuals, single family purchase and primary residence, up to \$10,000 for purchase and \$20,000 for rehab. All the down payment assistance has to be paid back. The program can help with blight and help purchasers get into a property they can afford. They contribute 1% of the purchase price. There is no risk to the community. To qualify for a home loan, they have to be credit worthy. There is no interest on this money. Payment can be deferred until they sell the house. Her expense would be paid by MSHDA, at no cost to the city. There will be a public hearing at the next council meeting.

The Mayor called for the Consent Agenda.

- A. Approval of Minutes 2-3-09
- B. DART – Agreement with MDOT

Council Member Bunce made a motion to approve the consent agenda, supported by Council Member Stout.

The question on the motion was called and the result of the voting is as follows:

Ayes: Council Members Bunce, Stout, Wills, Satterlee and Husted.  
Nays: None.

Following are the resolutions contained in the Consent Agenda.

**B. DART – Agreement with MDOT**

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-02-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELDING, MICHIGAN APPROVING AGREEMENT #2007-0173/Z5 BETWEEN THE CITY OF BELDING, AND THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

WHEREAS, the City of Belding wishes to continue to receive public operating assistance from the Michigan Department of Transportation for the Dial-A-Ride program; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Belding is eligible to receive operating assistance under Federal section 5311 of the Federal Transit Act of 1964, as amended; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Belding performs transportation services in accordance with the terms of the agreement.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Belding, Michigan that agreement #2007-0173/Z5, submitted by the Michigan Department of Transportation is hereby approved.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is hereby authorized to sign agreement # 2007-0173/Z5 between the City of Belding, and the Michigan Department of Transportation.

The Mayor called for Business Agenda Item **A – MAIN STREET BRIDGE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING AWARD**

The City Clerk read the preamble to the resolution.

Council Member Stout moved the passage of the resolution and the motion was supported by Council Member Bunce.

CITY OF BELDING  
RESOLUTION NO. 2009-02-04

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELDING, MICHIGAN AUTHORIZING SCOTT CIVIL ENGINEERING TO PERFORM DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,425 FOR PREVENTATIVE MAINTENANCE REPAIRS TO THE MAIN STREET BRIDGE.

WHEREAS, the city was awarded a grant by MDOT to cover 95% of construction cost for preventative maintenance work on the Main Street Bridge; and

WHEREAS, the city requested a proposal from a qualified engineering firm for design and

construction engineering; and

WHEREAS, Scott Civil Engineering Company submitted a proposal in the amount of \$18,425 for design and construction engineering services.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Belding, Michigan award the design and construction engineering services for the repairs to the Main Street Bridge to Scott Civil Engineering in the amount of \$18,425.

Council Member Stout stated, in the future if they are looking at bridge awards, they should try to ask for a little more money. MDOT requires that they do so much, so they should try for more funding, two to three times the amount.

Mayor Husted stated that the engineering costs were 45% of the cost.

City Manager DeBruine stated the inspector needed \$75 - \$80 an hour because of all the paperwork.

The question on the resolution was called and the result of the voting is as follows:

Ayes: Council Members Bunce, Stout, Wills, Satterlee and Husted.  
Nays: None.

The Mayor called for Citizen Comments.

Cherie Peabody, 722 Harrison, stated that a tree fell on Carrie Dorey's husband. He is paralyzed from the chest down and is doing rehab. Her grandfather was the fire chief in Belding. Donna Dorey worked at city hall. There is a fund for him at a bank in Edmore. He was a volunteer fireman for 20 years. A pig roast fundraiser will be held on March 28, 2009.

The Mayor called for Council Comments.

There were no council comments.

The Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

#### ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Bunce moved to adjourn the meeting, supported by Council Member Satterlee.

Ayes: Council Members Bunce, Stout, Wills, Satterlee and Husted.  
Nays: None.

Mayor Husted adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

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Shane T. Husted, Mayor

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Kareen J. Thomas, City Clerk