

REGULAR MINUTES
PERE MARQUETTE DEPOT
Tuesday, May 19, 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, May 19, 2009.

The City Clerk took the roll call:

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

Members Absent: None.

Council Member Bunce 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 the Consent Agenda.

- A. Approval of Minutes 5/5/09
- B. DART – Section 5311 Revision
- C. Polling Location Change

Council Member Bunce made a motion to approve Item A – Approval of Minutes 5/5/09, supported by Council Member Wills.

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

Council Member Wills made a motion to approve Items B and C, supported by Council Member Satterlee.

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 – SECTION 5311 REVISION

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-05-23

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELDING, MICHIGAN APPROVING AGREEMENT #2007-0173/Z5/R1 BETWEEN THE CITY OF BELDING, AND THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION.

WHEREAS, the City of Belding desires to continue to receive federal 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/R1, 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/R1 between the City of Belding, and the Michigan Department of Transportation.

C. POLLING LOCATION CHANGE

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-05-24

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELDING, MICHIGAN CHANGING THE POLLING LOCATION FOR PRECINCTS 1 AND 2 TO ST. JOSEPH GYMNASIUM.

WHEREAS, a request was received from Belding Area Schools to change the polling location of Precincts 1 from Ellis School and Precinct 2 from Woodview School to address security concerns on election days; and

WHEREAS, Michigan Election Law, Section 168.662, states that the legislative body in each city shall designate and prescribe the place or places of holding an election in the city; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Belding, Michigan that the polling locations for Precinct 1 and Precinct 2 be moved to St. Joseph gymnasium, 409 S. Bridge Street.

The Mayor called for Business Agenda Item **A – FY 2009/10 BUDGET ADOPTION**

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 Satterlee.

RESOLUTION NO. 2009-05-25

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELDING, MICHIGAN
ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2009/10 MUNICIPAL BUDGET.

WHEREAS, the City Manager of the City of Belding, Michigan has submitted to the Mayor and City Council a budget for Fiscal Year 2009/10 as required by the Belding City Charter; and,

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of the City of Belding, Michigan have studied and reviewed said budget; and,

WHEREAS, a public hearing on said budget was held on May 5, 2009, in accordance with the provisions of Section 11.4 of the Belding City Charter; and,

WHEREAS, the City Clerk of the City of Belding has in accordance with Section 11.4 of the City Charter, and P.A. 621 of 1978, published notices of time and place of holding such hearings, and of the availability to the public of such proposed budget.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Belding, Michigan that they hereby appropriate the following sums of money deemed necessary to defray all the necessary expenses, liabilities and reserves of the City of Belding, Michigan for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the objects and purposes for which said appropriations are to be expended and the amount appropriated which authorizes such expenditures, as provided in the City Charter and City Code for each center and purpose are specified as follows:

APPROPRIATION CENTERS

GENERAL OPERATING FUND

City Council	\$ 10,898
City Manager	249,771
Finance & Administrative Services	232,160
Central Municipal Activities	129,976
Cemetery	57,353
Police Department	759,187
Fire Department	585,397
Park Maintenance	72,185
Interfund Transfers	361,200
Belrockton Community Center	40,232
Community Promotions	11,850

Planning & Community Development	99,064
Contingency	39,000
TOTAL GENERAL OPERATING FUND	\$ 2,648,273
MAJOR STREET FUND	\$ 329,092
LOCAL STREET FUND	217,874
DISPATCH FUND	163,541
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	27,500
BUILDING INSPECTION	16,449
DRUG FORFEITURE	3,500
LIBRARY	422,623
MUSEUM FUND	9,415
TIFA BOND PAYMENT FUND	193,428
SRF BOND PAYMENT FUND	115,672
BUILDING AUTHORITY DEBT FUND	76,600
CIP BOND PAYMENT FUND	80,245
LIBRARY DEBT FUND	86,828
LIBRARY BOND REDEMPTION	85,000
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FUND	1,341,990
TIFA GENERAL FUND	193,728
AMBULANCE FUND	22,500
DIAL-A-RIDE	361,025
SEWER FUND	1,041,004
WATER FUND	823,201
INTERNAL SERVICE FUND	277,699

BUILDING & GROUNDS FUND	106,748
MOTOR POOL FUND	431,032
HEALTH INSURANCE FUND	507,000
TOTAL APPROPRIATIONS	\$9,581,967

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the following amounts appropriated and allocated for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2009 and ending June 30, 2010, be and the same hereby are directed to be raised by mill levy as follows:

	AMOUNT APPROPRIATED TAXATION	AMOUNT TO BE RAISED BY MILL LEVY
Capital Improvements	\$1,341,990	\$ 190,000
General Purpose	\$2,648,273	\$1,400,000

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that for the purpose of raising said amounts by taxation in 2009-10, the City Council of the City of Belding, Michigan does hereby levy a tax of 16.9500 mills per dollar on the assessed valuation of all taxable property within the corporate limits of the City of Belding, and further, said mill levy shall include 14.9500 mills for the General Fund Operation, and 2.00 mills for Capital Improvements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an administrative fee of 1% shall be added and collected for all units of government - said fee to be continued until rescinded.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is hereby authorized to make budgetary transfers within the appropriation centers, also known as funds, established through this budget, except that all transfers between appropriation centers may be made only by further action of the City Council, pursuant to the provisions of the Michigan Uniform Accounting and Budgeting Act; and that the City Manager is hereby authorized to release bidding documents for those capital items requiring bids. Bidding documents may also be described as Requests for Proposals.

City Manager DeBruine stated if there is a reduction in revenue sharing, whatever the revenue is cut, expenditures will be cut by that amount. Over the years, revenue sharing has decreased by \$180,000 to \$690,000, but the city also did not get any increases over the last five to six years. Property taxes reached a plateau and are now decreasing. 2001-02 was the height of revenue sharing.

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 Business Agenda Item **B – MEDC GRANT APPLICATION FOR WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENTS**

The City Clerk read the preamble to the resolution.

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

CITY OF BELDING
RESOLUTION NO. 2009-05-26

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELDING, MICHIGAN AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SUBMIT AN MEDC NOTICE OF INTENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$596,800 FOR WASTEWATER SYSTEM CAPACITY ENHANCEMENT IMPROVEMENTS.

WHEREAS, the City of Belding's top priority is to address needs within the wastewater system in order to accommodate business expansion and undertake capacity enhancements; and

WHEREAS, one of the two lift stations need to be upgraded to handle increased usage from a new business utilizing the wastewater system; and

WHEREAS, residuals need to be removed from the lagoons in order to allow another new business to utilize the wastewater system; and

WHEREAS, residuals need to be removed from the lagoons in order to meet an MDEQ mandate; and

WHEREAS, to the maximum extent possible the proposed project will benefit at least 51% low and moderate income persons; and

WHEREAS, local costs (other than preliminary engineering costs) and other funds to be invested in the project have not yet been expended and will not be expended prior to a formal grant award, completion of the environmental review procedures, and formal written authorization is received from the Michigan Economic Development Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the total project cost will be approximately \$746,000, of which the grant will be \$596,800 or 80%, and the city's portion \$149,200 or 20%, which includes engineering.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Belding,

Michigan authorize the City Manager to submit the CDBG Notice of Intent to the MEDC, and

FURTHERMORE, that the City Manager is authorized to sign the application forms.

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 Business Agenda Item C – **AWARD CONTRACT FOR FIRE DEPARTMENT EXHAUST SYSTEM**

The City Clerk read the preamble to the resolution.

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

CITY OF BELDING
RESOLUTION NO. 2009-05-27

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELDING, MICHIGAN
AWARDING THE BID FOR A VEHICLE EXHAUST REMOVAL SYSTEM TO AIRFLOW
FILTRATION.

WHEREAS, the Belding Fire Department was awarded a 2008 Department of Homeland Security, Assistant to Firefighters Grant in the amount of \$50,910.00 for station modifications, with funding from 95% Federal funds and 5% City funds; and

WHEREAS, bids were solicited from qualified vendors for a vehicle exhaust removal system for the fire department; and

WHEREAS, Airflow Filtration from Lowell, Michigan submitted the most responsible bid in the amount of \$46,516.00, with the system being the one most suited to the application.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Belding, Michigan that the bid for a vehicle exhaust removal system be awarded to Airflow Filtration in the amount of \$46,516.00.

Council Member Stout stated in the future, if a bid is incomplete and does not meet the bid specs, it should be rejected.

Mayor Husted expressed concerns about the conditions for the Ambulance and DPW facilities.

City Manager DeBruine stated there were no plans for the other facilities.

Mayor Husted inquired about the \$10,000 difference in the electrical contract.

Fire Chief Moore stated one more thing cannot be added in the fire station to accommodate the units. The city hall is maxed out for electrical. A panel will be added for these units. The main cost is the 800 amp. distribution base in city hall. He will ask the contractor if there are any other options, other than changing city hall. The government will only pay \$10,000 in the area of construction.

Council Member Stout asked if he would just do as much as he could for \$9,975?

Fire Chief Moore stated the money could be turned back in, but if it is \$5,000 or less, it could be spent in the same category, but not more than \$10,000 in construction. Maybe they could get one more unit for the ambulance bay.

Mayor Husted stated every other vehicle the city has is parked inside city facilities.

City Manager DeBruine stated that DART has a system.

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.

Lynn Mason, Ionia County Commissioner, stated the commission has been hearing department and staff reports at the meetings. They heard a very interesting presentation on a proposed wind farm. It could benefit the county with jobs and taxes. It is much more complicated than she thought it would be. The project would take 3,500 acres and could be completed in 2013. It was more of an information item for the commission. Next week an architect will be hired for the animal shelter. The county is also worried about revenue sharing.

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 Stout.

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

Mayor Husted adjourned the meeting at 7:56 p.m.

Shane T. Husted, Mayor

Kareen J. Thomas, City Clerk