

The Greenbush City Council's regular meeting was held on December 20th, 2022, at 5:30 pm in the Greenbush Community Center.

Council Present in Person: Eric Etherington, Dennis Filer, Christine Foss, Shawn Walsh, and Josh Kern

Others Present in Person: Candice Langaas, Ryan Bergeron, Shaun Jevne, and Lynsi Hansen

Public Comments-

South Main Street South Project/Pool Parking lot Invoice

The City of Greenbush received an invoice from Roseau County Highway Department for paving costs done at the Greenbush Pool Parking lot and South Main Street. The project was completed at the end of the Summer 2022. The Pool Parking Lot paving project cost was \$35,753.36 and \$293,479.00 was the cost to pave South Main Street. Total cost was \$329,232.36

M/S/P Josh Kern/Christine Foss approval of donating funds from the Donation fund to cover the Pool parking lot Invoice. The total amount for paving cost is \$35,753.36.

All in Favor: Eric Etherington, Dennis Filer, Christine Foss, Shawn Walsh, and Josh Kern

M/S/P Shawn Walsh/ Josh Kern to convene the regular meeting so the Truth in Taxation meeting can be held. The regular meeting will reconvene after the Truth in Taxation Meeting.

****Truth in Taxation Meeting** 6pm**

Council Present in Person: Eric Etherington, Dennis Filer, Christine Foss, Shawn Walsh, and Josh Kern

Council Present via Electronic Methods:

Others Present in Person: Candice Langaas, Ryan Bergeron, Shaun Jevne, and Lynsi Hansen

Other Present via Electronic Methods:

Proposed 2023 Tax Levy

M/S/P Shawn Walsh/Josh Kern approval Resolution 2022-12 of the preliminary 2023 General Levy set at \$341,392.33. This is an increase of 6% due to ordinary inflation expenses to operate

the city. The most significant increases in the budget are wages, costs associated with wages, and general expense increases.

All in Favor: Eric Etherington, Dennis Filer, Christine Foss, Shawn Walsh, and Josh Kern

Final 2023 Tax Levy

M/S/P Josh Kern/ Shawn Walsh approval of the Final Levy Resolution 2022-13, General Levy- \$341,392.33, and the Sewer Bond Levy \$15,256.49. Total certified Levy for 2023 is \$356,648.82.

All in Favor: Eric Etherington, Dennis Filer, Christine Foss, Shawn Walsh, and Josh Kern

M/S/P Josh Kern/Shawn Walsh to adjourn the Truth in Taxation meeting at 6:12pm.

In favor: Eric Etherington, Dennis Filer, Christine Foss, Shawn Walsh, and Josh Kern

M/S/P Shawn Walsh/Josh Kern to reconvene the regular meeting.

In favor: Eric Etherington, Dennis Filer, Christine Foss, Shawn Walsh, and Josh Kern

The regular council meeting reconvened at 6:12 pm

M/S/P Shawn Walsh/Christine Foss approval of using \$42,000 from Watermain Replacement fund, \$100,591.60 from the City's CDARS Water fund, and the remaining \$150,887.40 will be taken out of the City's CDARS General Fund. The Water fund and General Fund are split 40% and 60%. When the funds get collected after assessments the funds will be returned 40% to the water fund and 60% to the General Fund.

In favor: Eric Etherington, Dennis Filer, Christine Foss, Shawn Walsh, and Josh Kern

Farm Lease

Confirming numbers of acres as part of the North Farm Lease has been leased to the Motocross dirt track.

2023 Rates

The council would like to table this discussion until the Spring of 2023.

2023 Wages (Full-time & Part-time)

M/S/P Josh Kern/Dennis Filer approval for full-time and part-time employees to receive a 4% COLA increase along with an additional increase for those who have completed or received a Course/Certification.

All in Favor: Eric Etherington, Dennis Filer, Christine Foss, Shawn Walsh, and Josh Kern

2023 General Budget/Miscellaneous Funds

M/S/P Dennis Filer/Josh Kern approval of Resolution 2022-14 approving the final 2023 Budgets for the General Fund and the Miscellaneous Funds.

Delinquent RBEG Loans

The City of Greenbush has two individuals who are currently delinquent on their RBEG Loan payments. Both individuals have received letters informing them that they are delinquent and have 30 days to contact the City of Greenbush about their Loan. As of the December 20th, 2022, meeting, only one individual has reached out. The council will have to decide on how they would like to handle this issue. For now, they have decided to table this topic until the next meeting, hoping to hear back from the other individual.

Committee/ Public works Report

Public works have been busy receiving new water meters and replacing/installing them in commercial and residential buildings/homes. The register for the water meter at the Greenbush- Middle River school has stopped working; they are hoping to get the replacement meter by next week. The streets department has been very busy with all the snow, they have been pushing, plowing and hauling snow starting at the crack of dawn!

Consent Agenda

M/S/P Shawn Walsh/Dennis Filer to approve the consent agenda items with revised bills and minutes (Minutes/Bills-Revised/Receipts).

In favor: Eric Etherington, Dennis Filer, Christine Foss, Shawn Walsh, and Josh Kern

Upcoming Meetings:

Regular Council Meetings: at 5:30pm, January 17th, February 21st, and March 21st, 2023.

M/S/P Josh Kern/Shawn Walsh to adjourn the meeting.

In favor: Eric Etherington, Dennis Filer, Christine Foss, Shawn Walsh, and Josh Kern

This meeting was adjourned at 6:56 pm.

Eric Etherington

Mayor

Lynsi Hansen

Clerk-Treasurer