

A regular meeting of the Bad Axe City Council was called to order at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, August 16, 2010 by Mayor Jim Hicks.

**ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Jim Hicks, Council members: Cleland, Hall, Particka, Peterson, Rapson and Rochefort. Other Officers present: City Manager VanDeVusse, Clerk Goebel.  
Absent: None.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Clerk Goebel read the minutes from the August 2, 2010 regular and August 10, 2010 special meeting. Motion by Rapson, second by Particka to approve the minutes as read.

Councilman Hall requested a synopsis of resolutions be included in the minutes.

AYES: Cleland, Peterson, Particka, Hall, Rapson, Rochefort, Hall.  
NO: None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

1. City Council viewed a presentation of a leaf vac truck which was recommended for purchase by the Finance Committee.

City Manager VanDeVusse noted the following advantages of purchasing a leaf vac:

- One person operation, currently using loader, backhoe and two dump trucks
- 5 to 1 compaction ratio of leaves picked up
- versatility – picks up material from any surface, pavement or grass

Motion by Cleland, second by Rapson to purchase a leaf vac truck from Bell Equipment for a price not to exceed \$98,500.

Council members discussed the purchase which would include a chipper door and trailer hitch. This would make this truck a multi purpose vehicle. Council requested management consider a firm acceptable delivery date.

AYES: Hall, Rapson, Particka, Hicks, Cleland, Peterson.  
NO: Rochefort.

2. Motion by Peterson, second by Cleland to approve the purchase of two computers for the Department of Public Works for a price not to exceed \$2,200.00.

AYES: Particka, Cleland, Peterson, Rochefort, Hall, Hicks, Rapson.  
NO: None.

3. Motion by Hall, second by Cleland to approve the purchase of three keypad locks for the Police Department installed by Advanced Auto Glass for \$750.00.

AYES: Rochefort, Rapson, Hicks, Hall, Cleland, Particka, Peterson.  
NO: None.

4. Rich Barker distributed information about the city's youth tackle football program for 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> students a program currently not offered by the school. He reviewed detailed revenue and expense information and expressed the need to purchase additional equipment based on the increased enrollment.

Motion by Cleland, second by Rapson to approve the Youth Football Program for this year.

AYES: Particka, Peterson, Rochefort, Hicks, Hall, Rapson, Cleland.  
NO: None.

5. Motion by Cleland, second by Peterson to schedule a public hearing for September 7, 2010 at 7:30 p.m. regarding Ordinance 2010-1; an ordinance to repeal an ordinance identified as having an effective date of September 19, 1977, by adopting a new ordinance, Ordinance No. 2010-1, *'The Detroit Edison Company Franchise Agreement'*, to permit The Detroit Edison Company to operate an electric generation, transportation and distribution business within the City of Bad Axe. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried.

6. Motion by Peterson, second by Cleland to award the bid for carpeting city hall to Thomas MacAlpine Furniture for \$11,950.00. Three bids were received.

AYES: Cleland, Rapson, Rochefort, Hicks, Hall, Peterson, Particka.  
NO: None.

7. Motion by Rapson, second by Particka to pay the bills totaling \$39,394.80.

AYES: Particka, Hall, Rochefort, Cleland, Rapson, Hicks, Peterson.  
NO: None.

### **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilman Hall inquired the following:

- relocate mailboxes by the Bad Axe Post Office
- painting of the fire hydrants
- FDIC insurance of city's accounts

Councilman Rochefort inquiries:

- the cleanup of the city's dumpsite

- opportunity for the city to partner with wind company to decrease reliance on nonrenewable power sources
- percentage of residents arrested for felony and misdemeanor crimes represented on a report submitted by the Police Chief

City Manager VanDeVusse provided the following information:

- Essexville has chosen either Tuesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> or Tuesday, October 5<sup>th</sup> as Mayor Exchange Day.
- the street paving should occur September 23.
- Reminded residents to dispose of their grass clipping properly – not to place them in the streets
- The movie crew is scheduled to be in Bad Axe Tuesday, September 7<sup>th</sup>.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Hall, second by Cleland to adjourn. Voice vote: all voting aye, motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

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Jim Hicks, Mayor

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Kay M. Goebel, Clerk