

**TOWN OF INTERLACHEN  
TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, JULY 9, 2024 - 6:00 P.M.  
DICKERMAN BUILDING**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Carolyn Meadows called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

Council Members present were Chairperson Carolyn Meadows, Vice-Chairperson Joni Conner, Beverly Bakker, Carolyn Bennett and David Yonts. Mayor Larsen and Attorney George Young were present also.

**COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON – CAROLYN MEADOWS**

Chairperson Meadows welcomed everyone and recognized Larry Harvey for his forty (40) years as the Independence Day Coordinator. The quilters from First Baptist Church presented him with a quilt depicting 4<sup>th</sup> of July and Christmas.

Chairperson Meadows stated that the 2<sup>nd</sup> place trophy was awarded to the Town for the council's float, but since it was a Town sponsored event they should not have received it; therefore, it was given to the Rotary. She wanted it on record that the Town is exempt from receiving any kind of award at Town sponsored events.

**COUNCIL DISCUSSION:**

***Discussion and Consideration of the Redi Grant Update and Change Order #2.***

Kellen Lindsey, from Mittauer & Associates stated that the change order was for adjusting quantities to actuals which means a credit of \$27,481.00 and for a 4" gate valve along SR 20 to allow for testing and connection to the existing water mains at the intersection of SR 20 & CR 315.

Council Member Bennett moved to approve Change Order #2. Council Member Bakker seconded. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

***Discussion and Consideration of Bids for the Installation of Fencing at Hastings Park.***

Council Member Bennett moved to award the project to Williams Fence for a black commercial chain link fence for the amount of \$17,500.00. Council Member Yonts seconded. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

The Clerk will verify the measurements with the company.

***Discussion and Consideration of Funding for the Installation of Fencing at Hastings Park.***

Council Member Conner moved to use ARPA Funds for the fence installation. Council Member Bakker seconded. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

***Discussion and Consideration of the IT Contract for the Police Department.***

The Clerk requested that this item be tabled.

***Discussion and Consideration of Adopting the Proposed FY 2024/2025 Millage Rate.***

Council Member Bennett moved to use the current rate of 7.2553% as the proposed 2024/2025 millage rate. Council Member Yonts seconded. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote of the Council.

**Discussion and Consideration of the Resignation of Tim Baker From the Citizen’s Advisory Task Force.**

Chairperson Meadows stated that the reason for Mr. Baker’s resignation is because he is moving.

Council Member Conner moved to accept the resignation of Tim Baker from the Citizen’s Advisory Task Force. Council Member Bakker seconded. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

**Discussion and Consideration of the Resignation of Tim Baker From the Zoning Board of Adjustment.**

Council Member Bennett moved to accept the resignation of Tim Baker from the Zoning Board of Adjustment. Council Member Bakker seconded. The motion passed by a unanimous voice vote of the Council.

**Discussion and Consideration of Setting a Workshop Date for Policies/Procedures and Future Projects.**

A workshop was set for 10:00am on Thursday, August 22, 2024.

**CONSENT AGENDA:**

Chairperson Meadows asked that the Council look back at the budget workshop minutes before the next workshop.

**EMERGENCY ITEM:**

The Clerk advised the council that a check that was issued to a vendor had been intercepted, the name was changed and it was cashed. The check cleared DLP Bank, now the perpetrator has the town’s bank account and routing number. The general account must be closed and another one opened. She suggested sending out RFP’s to other public depository banks.

Council Member Conner moved to pursue acquiring a new bank. Council Member Yonts seconded. The motion passed by a unanimous roll call vote of the council.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

All the Council members commented on how good the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration was and thanked the staff for their help.

**MAYOR’S COMMENTS:**

Mayor Larsen also commented on the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration and thanked Larry Harvey for all he does. He also thanked Mr. Hanes for stepping up for the Mayor’s seat and that he looks forward to seeing what he does.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD COMMENTS:**

Chief Wilburn stated the July 4<sup>th</sup> celebration went smoothly and thanked the Maintenance Department and Larry Harvey.

Town Clerk, Joni Payne asked the council to reserve September 5<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> for budget hearings and that the Chief and Deputy Town Clerk must attend a cyber training class before the end of the year.

**ATTORNEY COMMENTS:**

Attorney Young stated that he will move forward with the abatement hearing regarding the Brush Store.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:12pm.