

**CITY OF CHARLEVOIX**  
**SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**Monday, March 31, 2015 – 5:30 p. m.**  
210 State Street, City Hall, Council Chambers, Charlevoix, MI

The meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Gabe Campbell.

**I. Pledge of Allegiance**

**II. Roll Call of Members Present**

Mayor: Gabe Campbell  
Interim City Manager: Mike Spencer  
City Clerk: Joyce Golding  
Members Present: Councilmembers Shirley Gibson, Leon Perron, Jeff Porter, Bill Supernaw  
Absent: Councilmembers Shane Cole, Luther Kurtz

**III. Inquiry Regarding Possible Conflicts of Interest**

None.

**IV. Miscellaneous Business**

**A. Consideration to Approve the Water Main Upgrade on W. Hurlbut**

Due to the extremely cold weather this winter and the associated frost depths, there is a large section of water main on W. Hurlbut that has frozen and is now broken. The pipe is estimated to be 90 years old and is buried approximately 4' deep. Two options were presented for Council to consider: 1) a quick fix to replace the 200' of affected pipe with 4" PVC; or 2) replace the entire 410' water main with 12" ductile iron as a long term fix. DPW Superintendent Elliott discussed the pros and cons of each option and recommended replacing the entire main. He answered questions for Council.

DPW Superintendent Elliott stated that both companies bidding the project, MDC Contracting, LLC and Team Elmer's, qualify according to the City's Local Bidders Preference Policy. Discussion followed regarding policy qualifications and Interim City Manager Spencer will bring proposed amendments to tighten up the policy back to Council at a later date.

Mayor Campbell opened the item to public comment.

Vince Carpenter, MDC Contracting, LLC, stated that his company appreciates the opportunity to bid and favors the local preference policy.

Steve Crane, Team Elmer's, indicated that his firm is committed to the area and would be willing to work with MDC.

The item was closed to the public.

Councilmember Supernaw felt that the contract should be awarded to MDC Contracting who has a store front in Charlevoix and would be employing several Charlevoix residents for the project.

Motion by Councilmember Porter, second by Councilmember Perron, to enter into an agreement with Team Elmer's for a price not to exceed \$73,190 and authorize them to commence work as soon as possible.

Yeas: Porter, Perron, Gibson  
Nays: Supernaw  
Absent: Cole, Kurtz

**B. Update/Discussion on EMS Pay Increases**

Interim City Manager Spencer and Assistant Chief Roloff presented information regarding the problems that the City is having providing full EMS coverage for the month of April and ongoing. Chief Doan recommends a temporary pay rate adjustment for the short term and creating a committee to discuss a more permanent solution.

Interim City Manager Spencer will confirm Chief Doan's selection for committee members. The committee selection will be discussed again at the April 6 or April 20 regular Council meeting.

**V. Audience – Non-agenda Input (written requests take precedent)**

None.

**VI. Adjourn**

The Mayor stated if there were no objections, the meeting would adjourn.  
There were no objections. Meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

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Joyce M. Golding

City Clerk

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Gabe Campbell

Mayor