

COMMON COUNCIL  
AND  
PUBLIC HEARING  
SEPTEMBER 23, 2013  
7:00 P.M.

Council Members present were Nelson Smith, John Bennett and Brian Garrison. Mayor Strasser determined a quorum was present and the public hearing would open.

Mayor Strasser opened the public hearing on the rate change for water and wastewater utilities. Mayor Strasser asked for questions or comments from guests or council. Jeff Watson questioned the rates as to what % change and when would the rate change take effect. John Julien from Umbaugh explained the rate change was straight across the board. Another guest questioned why the city was implementing the rate changes. John Julien explained information had been gathered and determinations of what our needs are. A gap exists between present revenue and what we would need to do the projects. John Bennett noted the bonds would be paid through user fees and not tax revenue. Jeff Watson wanted to know the length of the bonds and was informed it was 20 years but we would have the ability to pay off sooner. Jeff also questioned if this would be part of the stellar improvements to the downtown. He was informed the federal grant will only pay for replacing what is there and if we update we would have to determine betterment and the difference. There were no other questions or comments and Sue Beesley advised Mayor Strasser the public meeting could close. Public meeting closed at 7:24 P.M.

Sue Beesley, Bingham brought Ordinance 2013-1 Rate Changes for Water and Wastewater for vote. Nelson Smith made the motion to approve 2013-1. Second by John Bennett. Motion carried. (3-0)

Brian Garrison – aye  
John Bennett - aye  
Nelson Smith - aye

Sue Beesley brought Ordinance 2013-2 Sewer Bond Improvements to the council members. The bond amount is \$1,410,000 and Sue noted the interest rate amendment of not to exceed 6%. John Bennett made the motion to amend the interest rate not to exceed 6%. Second by Nelson Smith. Motion carried. (3-0)

Brian Garrison – aye  
John Bennett - aye  
Nelson Smith - aye

John Bennett made the motion to approve 2013-2 Sewer Bond. Second by Nelson Smith. Motion carried. (3-0)

Brian Garrison – aye  
John Bennett - aye  
Nelson Smith - aye

Sue Beesley brought Ordinance 2013-3 Water Bond with improvements of \$1,960,000 to the council members. John Bennett made the motion to amend the bond so interest rate would not exceed 6%. Second by Nelson Smith. Motion carried. (3-0)

Brian Garrison – aye

John Bennett - aye

Nelson Smith - aye

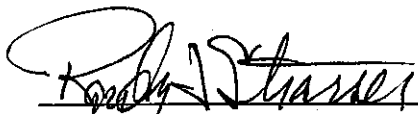
Nelson Smith made the motion to approve Ordinance 2013-3 Sewer Bond. Second by Nelson Smith. Motion carried. (3-0)

Brian Garrison – aye

John Bennett - aye

Nelson Smith - aye

The motion and approval on the three ordinances presented at this special meeting concluded the business in front of the council members. Meeting was adjourned.



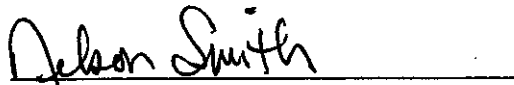
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Mayor Randy Strasser



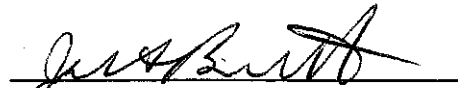
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Brian Garrison



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Nelson Smith



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John Bennett



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Leanne Aldrich, Clerk Treasurer