

City of Bronson  
Regular Council Meeting  
March 13, 2017

Mayor Cole called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Roll Call: Present: Cole, McConn, Kenny, Cox, Earl  
Absent: None

Public Comment: Branch County Sheriff Pollack updated Council on Sheriff Department activities for the month.

Consent Agenda – Vice-Mayor McConn moved to approve the consent agenda including payment of invoices totaling \$167,183.26. Seconded by Councilwoman Cox. Motion carried.

New Business – Redevelopment Ready Communities Program Engagement – Resolution No. 17-3-4: Councilman Kenny moved to adopt Resolution No. 17-3-4. Seconded by Councilman Earl. Motion carried.

Review of Council Goals for 2017-2018 Budget Year – Discussion – Manager Mersman told Council in preparations for the 2017-18 budget year he reviewed the previous goals and objectives set by Council in the current budget year. He said he updated the list and added language in regard to upgrading street lighting. He asked Council to review, amend or add to the list. Council reviewed the list and agreed with Manager Mersman's updated goals.

N Ruggles Street Extension Discussion – Manager Mersman said he has been given an estimate of \$15,000 to \$20,000 to place asphalt over the gravel drive which was recently installed to extend Ruggles Street. This would connect to Mill Street and would redirect truck traffic off Mill Street to the new G&W Facility rather than using residential streets for truck traffic. This would allow trucks access to G&W's loading docks off Mill Street and avoid heavy traffic through the residential area. He asked Council to authorize him to gather proposals for the work for approval at a later date. Council agreed to have Manager Mersman seek proposals for the work for their review at a future meeting.

Staff Comments – None

City Manager Comments – Manager Mersman told Council the Memorial Park grant/fundraising went very well. He said over \$21,000.00 was raised from the community and the City would be receiving the matching grant funds of \$12,500.00. He expressed his gratitude to all those who contributed to the fundraising effort.

Council Comments – Council congratulated Bronson High School's athletes for the outstanding seasons they were having. They also thanked all those who contributed to the Memorial Park fundraising effort. They said it showed how people took pride in the community and they were very appreciative of the support given to the project.

Adjourn – Councilwoman Cox moved to adjourn. Seconded by Councilman Kenny. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen A. Smith, City Clerk