

CITY OF BANGOR
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 2, 2023

1. **Call To Order:** Meeting called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Farmer.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Pledge started by Council Member Legon recited by all present.
3. **Roll Call:** Present: Council members: Legon, Muenzer, Murphy and Mayor Farmer. Absent: Council members: Martinez-Serratos, Uplinger and Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz.
4. **Approval of the Agenda:** Motion by Council member Murphy to accept the agenda as presented. Support by Council Member Legon. Motion Carried.

5. **New Business:**

a. Sewer project update/request for payment. City manager Simpson stated that the grant administrator could not release the payment of \$186,968.89 for two to three weeks. If we did not cover it the project would come to a halt. Discussion Followed. **Council Member Muenzer** asked if we had the money to cover this? **City Manager Simpson** explained how it would be covered. **Council Member Murphy** asked if this would happen again? **City Manager Simpson** explained how he hoped it would not, but could not guarantee it. **Council Member Muenzer** asked if it would be possible that we would owe this amount again? **Council Member Legon** asked when will the next payment for the state come in? **City manager Simpson** replied it should be in the next 2-3 weeks. **Council member Muenzer** made the motion that the city make the payment to the contractor for \$186,968.89 and that we be reimbursed by the state. **Council Member Murphy** Support. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes:** Council Member Legon, Muenzer, Murphy and Mayor Farmer. **Nays:** None. **Absent:** Council Member Martinez-Serratos, Uplinger and Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz. Motion Carried.

City Manager Simpson stated that our sewer system had not been updated since the 1960's. **DPW Director John Saylor** Explained the video taping of the sewer system and that the sewer pile on Douglas Street just had a piece of the clay pipe on top. The water caused the pipe to collapse. he also pointed out the 2 metal pipes by the 2nd street bridge and how they were completely rotted. He also stated that at the moment we have 5 pipes to be replaced. He

said this could change as we dig into them. **Council Member Muenzer** asked what the time line was for the repairs to be made. **DPW Director Saylor** stated 2-3 weeks. **City Manager Simpson** stated that we have between 80-150 feet of pipe that needs to be replaced. **DPW Director Saylor** Stated that you never know what is going to happen until you uncover it. He also talked about the dip on Arlington Road in front of the Fire Department. He stated that that one could become a sink hole. He also informed us of the work being done on the North Side. He stated that the water table on the North Side is very high. He stated that we had 30 feet that needed fixed with another 40 feet on the other side. He stated we may have breaks in-between and that it is 14 feet deep. **City Manger Simpson** state that the company doing the work would charge \$1,341.00 per foot to have the line replaced for a 10 inch pipe. He stated that that is the reason we want Bryce Saylor and our DPW to do the work. **Council member Muenzer** asked if this work could be completed in a timely manner? **City Manger Simpson** Said that is why he is asking the board to approve \$100,000.00 for the work to be completed by Bryce Saylor and our DPW department. All council members agreed that we had no choice and that the work had to be done. **DPW Director Saylor** commented on us using our Vac Truck on these projects. Especially 2nd Street. **City Manager Simpson** informed the board on the need to get a company to black top M-43 when the repairs are complete. **DPW Director Saylor** informed the board that City Manager Simpson would be responsible for pulling the permits on M-43. **Council Member Legon** stated that we needed to keep the ball rolling. **DPW Director Saylor** also informed the board of a broken pipe by The American Legion.

Motion by Council member Munzer to allow the City Manager to spend up to \$100,000.00 to get the sewer and storm sewer project completed. Support by Council Member Legon. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes:** Council member legon, Muenzer ,Murphy and Mayor Farmer. **Nays:** None. **Absent:** Council member Martinez-Serratos, Uplinger and Mayor Pro Tem Alcaraz. Motion Carried.

DPW Director Saylor let the council know that the 2nd Street job will be a 2 day job. **Council Member Muenzer** asked, Who will be doing the work on Arlington? **City Manager Simpson** told the council that Bryce Saylor will open it up and that he wants that work done during Spring Break due to busses traveling on that road. He also stated that on 2nd street for right now we will have to put cold patch on the roadway as we can not start the 2nd

Street project until Fall at the earliest and Spring 2024 at the latest. If we start early we would lose the funding for the project. **DPW Director Saylor** stated that we may have to use concrete on that road and we would have to block off the road for 3 days. He suggested we have concrete on Douglas and Center Streets as well. We will have Boss Concrete deliver and we should be able to keep one lane open. **City Manager Simpson** discussed the SAW Grant from years back. He stated that we received \$750,000.00 for the grant with no plan and now we have a plan with our 1.2 Million Dollar Grant. **Council Member Muenzer** stated that if our DPW can do it that is the way to go. **Council Member Legon** asked if we have enough manpower. The answer is yes.

Motion by **Council Member Murphy** to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 PM. Support by **Council Member Legon**. Motion carried . Meeting adjourned at 7:28 PM.

Respectfully Submitted by Lynne M. Farmer

