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A regular meeting of the Caribou City Council was held 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 22, 2013 in Council Chambers with following members present: Mayor Gary Aiken, Deputy Mayor Kenneth G. Murchison, Jr., David Martin, Philip McDonough II, Joan L. Theriault, David R. Genthner, Sr., and Aaron P. Kouhought.

Austin Bleess, City Manager and Tony Mazzucco, Assistant City Manager was present.

Department Managers: William Tasker, Director Chamber of Commerce and Diane Dubois, Library Director.

Lisa Wilcox, representing the Aroostook Republican and Time Warner covered the meeting.

Council Agenda Item #1: Public Input

None.

Council Agenda Item #2: Declaration of Conflicts of Interest from the City Council regarding any agenda item.

None.

Council Agenda Item #3: Consider authorizing the minutes of the following meetings:

- a) April 8, 2013 Council Workshop
- b) April 8, 2013 Council Meeting
- c) April 16, 2013 Council Workshop

Motion made by P. McDonough, seconded by J. Theriault, to accept the minutes of April 8, 2013 Council Workshop, April 8, 2013 Council Meeting, and April 16, 2013 Council Workshop as presented. (6 yes) So voted.

Council Agenda Item #4: Consent Agenda

- a) Approval of March 2013 Financials
- b) License Application Approvals
- c) Approval of Quit Claim Deeds
- d) Appointment of Councilor Kouhought to Council Committees

Councilor Theriault commented on the Recreation Department salary amount. City Manager suggested when amounts were entered manually in excel the numbers may have been transposed. Mayor Aiken noted that office supplies expense is fairly high with only quarter of the year finished and already in the 50% range. City Manager stated that paper was ordered in bulk. Mayor Aiken also mentioned General Government health insurance is already at 32% and the amount for 2013 Public Works liquid de-ice has already been used.

Motion made by P. McDonough, seconded by K. Murchison to accept the Consent Agenda with Business Items a, b, c, and d as presented. (6 yes) So voted.

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Council Agenda Item #5: Awarding bid for Library Roofing Project:

Bids were open Thursday, April 18th. Currently the City has \$134,261 available for the project.

Bids received from:

Kevin W. Smith & Sons	\$ 91,000
Powers Roofing & Sheet Metal	\$ 92,754
Roof Systems of Maine	\$148,830

Motion made by D. Martin, seconded by K. Murchison to accept bid from Kevin W. Smith & Sons for \$91,000 plus additional \$7,000 for engineering cost. (4 yes, G. Aiken, D. Martin, K. Murchison, A. Kouhoup, 3 no, J. Theriault, D. Genthner, P. McDonough) So voted.

Council Agenda Item #6: Request to waive interest

John Haley is requesting the waiving of interest on his personal property tax bill. He no longer owns the property and has not been billed since 2005. Mr. Haley has signed an agreement to pay \$140 monthly starting in May. Councilor Theriault questioned if interest could be waived after the principal is paid. Mayor Aiken stated that he has a problem with the waiving of interest as it sends out the wrong message to the taxpayer. Motion made by K. Murchison, seconded by D. Martin to waive interest. (3 yes, K. Murchison, D. Martin, A. Kouhoup, 4 no, G. Aiken, J. Theriault, D. Genthner, P. McDonough). Motion failed.

Council Agenda Item #7: Fair Housing Resolution

NMDC is requesting that the City of Caribou adopt a Fair Housing Resolution. The Resolution is needed as part of their regional HUD Sustainable Community Planning Grant Project and there is no cost to the City.

Motion made by P. McDonough, seconded by D. Genthner to approve the Fair Housing Resolution. (6 yes) So voted.

Council Agenda Item #8: Authorize putting tax forfeiture property out for bid.

Deputy Tax Collector, Carl Grant provided a list of tax acquired properties which are ready to go out to bid. Motion made by P McDonough, seconded by J. Theriault to put tax acquired property out to bid. (6 yes) So voted.

Council Agenda Item #9: Action from Executive Session held during workshop.

Motion made by P. McDonough, seconded by A. Kouhoup, to table making a decision on the abatement request to be no later than the next Council Meeting. (6 yes) So voted.

Council Agenda Item #10: Other Business

City Manager stated that Public Works will be spring cleaning which includes painting lines and culvert work and this is accounted for within the budget line. Received several bids on paint and going with lowest bid from Sherwin- Williams of \$11,435.50. Lowest bid on culverts is \$12,737.40.

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Motion made by P. McDonough, seconded by D. Martin to go with low bid of \$11,435.50 for paint and a bid of \$12,737.40 for culverts. (6 yes) So voted.

City Manager stated that Public Works would like to purchase three sanders totaling \$37,500 and if approved will place the order for delivery in August.

Motion made by D. Martin, seconded by P. McDonough to purchase three sanders totaling \$37,500. (6 yes) So voted.

Council Agenda Item #11: Executive Session to discuss a Personnel Issue pursuant to MRSA Title 1 Chapter 13 Section 405 (6) (A).

7:40 p. m. Motion made by P. McDonough, seconded by D. Genthner to move to executive session to discuss a Personnel Issue pursuant to MRSA Title 1 Chapter 13 Section 405 (6)(A). (6 yes) So voted

8:23p.m. time out. Motion made by P. McDonough, seconded by D. Genthner to move out of executive session. (6 yes) So voted.

No action taken.

Motion made by D. Martin, seconded by A. Kouhought to adjourn. (6 yes) So voted.

Meeting adjourned at 8:24 p.m.

Upcoming Meeting Dates:

Special City Council Meeting, April 29, 2013 at 6 pm

Regular City Council Meeting, May 13, 2013 at 7 pm

Regular City Council Meeting, June 10, 2013 at 7 pm

Kalen Hill, Secretary Pro-Tem