



MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Newaygo City Council

September 9, 2019

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fedell called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM at City Hall located at 28 N. State Road, Newaygo MI 49337.

Presiding officer: Mayor Fedell

Secretary: Clerk, Kim Goodin

Roll Call: Present: Black, Ederer, Fedell, Johnson, Palmiter, Walerczyk
Absent: Hikade

Motion by Black, support by Palmiter to excuse absent members. AIF/MC

Motion by Palmiter, support by Walerczyk to approve agenda as presented. AIF/MC

PUBLIC COMMENTS

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Ederer, support by Walerczyk to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the regular council minutes from 08/12/19 and accounts payable of \$1,536.16, \$12,774.86, \$260.00, \$17,445.62, \$109,012.29, \$647,652.43, \$40,002.67, \$216,399.25, \$1,088,677.73, \$232,520.50, \$2,223.58, \$27,040.08, \$195.00, \$1,493.00, and \$686.39.

Roll Call: Yeas: Black, Ederer, Fedell, Johnson, Palmiter, Walerczyk Absent: Hikade Nay: None. CARRIED

RESERVED TIME

COMMITTEE & BOARD REPORTS

Scott Faulkner, Economic and Community Development Coordinator, discussed information in packets explaining various NEDO project updates. He spoke about Public Engagement Meeting that was held on August 15th and said they continue to work with Christian Healthcare Centers. He gave an update on potential pedestrian bridge between Henning Park and Wood St. Faulkner stated that he is working on a Marketing Plan that should come to Council in coming months.

Scott Swinehart, River Country Chamber of Commerce Chair, stated that the Logging Day Festivities were very successful. He stated that he refers many people to the City Master Plan on the website and has had many positive responses regarding the City's Master Plan.

Del Hirdes, Newaygo Fire Board Member, gave a Fire Board update stating they have finalized a new purchasing policy and are interviewing for the vacant Fire Chief Position.

CITY MANAGERS REPORT

Schneider gave an update on Fremont Area Community Foundation endowment fund. Schneider asked Council for their thoughts on Electric Vehicle Charging Stations in the City. Council and Schneider discussed Charging Stations and Council thoughts are to wait and see what occurs in coming years.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Chief Andres went over highlights of the Police Annual Report for 2018 that was included in Council Packets. She stated that the Police Department is working on accreditation process and will bring personnel policy to Council in coming months. Chief stated that the new unmarked police vehicle arrived and they would be installing "Internet Purchase Exchange Location" sign in the coming weeks. She introduced, Officer Folkema, a new City Police Officer filling a vacancy in the department.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Palmiter, support by Walerczyk to approve Sewer Project Draw Request number six-Payment Request number six. Roll Call: Yeas: Black, Ederer, Fedell, Johnson, Palmiter, Walerczyk Absent: Hikade Nay: None. CARRIED

Motion by Ederer, support by Black to approve the Sewer Project Change Order number four at a reduction of (\$135,030) which includes: Changing final completion date to 8/31/20, Lagoon Cell 3 sludge removal, valves and pipe for future lagoon construction, manhole #408 rehabilitation and WWTP-Lagoon Biosolids removal. Roll Call: Yeas: Black, Ederer, Fedell, Johnson, Palmiter, Walerczyk Absent: Hikade Nay: None. CARRIED Schneider stated that the Department of Public Works has been managing sewer plant to keep running at a good capacity and they continue to work closely with the DEQ.

Motion by Johnson, support by Ederer delegating the City Manager the authority to negotiate and sign change orders for the following sewer project items: Aeration building expansion (\$22,500), Aeration building mechanical components (\$27,335), Aeration building electrical components (\$31,345), WWTP Cells 1 & 2 modifications, including surrounding grounds/walkways (\$21,700), Lift station modifications-mostly relates to additional panels, mounting systems, conduit, wiring, VFD installation, coring wet well at Magna station (\$27,275); not to exceed amounts listed. AIF/MC Schneider stated he plans to negotiate further on amounts.

Motion by Ederer, support by Palmiter approving the M-37 Water Main Proposal. AIF/MC

PUBLIC COMMENTS

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Ederer said he is very pleased with the Police Department.

Walerczyk stated happy with the Police Department.

Palmiter said he agrees with everything said about the Police Department and would like to make sure they are compensated properly.

Johnson said Police Department is great team and gave kudos to Faulkner to keep up the good work.

Black thanked Police Department for work and said need to support officers and employees currently have.

Schneider thanked Chief and Faulkner and said Economic Development drives more revenue allowing the City more opportunity to support current personnel.

Fedell thanked all for coming out.

Motion by Black, support by Walerczyk to adjourn the meeting. AIF/MC

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 PM.

Mayor – Ed Fedell

Clerk – Kim Goodin