

A Regular Meeting of the Sylvan Lake City Council was held on Wednesday, August 12, 2009; opening at 7:34 p.m. Mayor Lorenz presided over the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Lorenz, Maurina, Shepp, Zubrzycki

Absent: Wiegand

Also Present: City Manager Martin, Clerk Clippert and Attorney Bibeau

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Maurina, seconded Zubrzycki, to approve the City Council Agenda for August 12, 2009, as presented.

Yes: All

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Lorenz asked to correct page 4 of the study session minutes. He would like the sentence "Lorenz feels this wouldn't be needed if they are sharing a shift" removed from the minutes.

Moved by Shepp, seconded Maurina, to approve the following minutes as amended:

July 8, 2009, Regular Meeting

July 30, 2009, Study Session

Yes: All

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS

Moved by Shepp, seconded Zubrzycki, to approve the voucher report for August totaling \$214,829.97.

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| June Payroll | \$ 56,384.47 | Check #'s 10881-10891, DD6601-DD636, EFT 254-EFT261 |
| Accts Pay-July-Aug | <u>\$158,445.50</u> | Check #'s 44027-44129 E0000000076-E0000000082 |
| Totaling | \$214,829.97 | |

Yes: All
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS

Mayor Lorenz received the City Attorney's Report for the month of July 2009, and the Police Department report for June 2009, and asked that they be placed on file.

L2-001-09

Lorenz noted the Rehme case has been dismissed. Bibeau clarified there was no cost to the city. The Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority paid the Attorney fees.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no reports.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

There were no comments.

Mayor Lorenz closed this portion opened to the public.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

Thank You's

Martin thanked the Aron Lorenz and Alex James for the meeting for the Sylvan Lake Stewards. He stated it was a positive feeling. Everyone wants the city to move forward by maintaining a positive attitude, working toward common goals to keep our city safe and beautiful.

Joint Meeting

Sylvan Lake and Keego Harbor City Council's will be meeting August 18th, 7:00 p.m. at Santia Hall to discuss possible joint ventures with the two cities. The main discussion will be police services. This is just for giving the two City Managers direction. No other formal action will be taken. Martin stated something will need to be done in the future in order to save money, whether the millage passes or not. Financially it makes sense to share services.

Ice Cream Social

August 20th, 6pm-8pm.

Benefits

Martin stated he has scheduled the City's benefit representative to be at the study session. He spoke with the Labor Attorney today and he will put a report together for that. MERS is working on some new options for municipalities. Martin requested they wait another month before having them attend a study session. Council agreed to this.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Maurina shared volunteers had their first orientation for the Community Center. Starting next week the building should be open in the mornings and some nights in the future. Maurina stated some chairs and tables were purchased to play cards.

Zubrzycki recognized Lorenz for holding the stewards meeting. He also felt it was a positive meeting and shared there will be more meetings.

Shepp apologized for not being at the meeting. He stated it is great to have all the different interests coming together and working together.

Lorenz coined the phrase "Stewards of Sylvan Lake." The idea is to get a communication group/link going. They could have different groups doing different things such as fundraising for tennis courts and other groups organizing a bridge club. He encouraged everybody to get their email addresses forwarded to a steward. One of the things they decided at the meeting is this group is truly about the future of Sylvan Lake. His message to people is "Just vote yes; to keep our city beautiful." He is not going to beat up the millage. The City Council meetings will be for finance information.

ACTION ITEMS

- a. Discussion of Broadcasting Council Meetings **C3-003-09**

Martin reviewed when the Community Center was built fiber optic was installed to give the option to broadcast meetings.

Loren Maurina encouraged Council to broadcast meetings. They can be broadcast live, tape them or both. He suggested doing it on a trial basis to see what the reaction is, if any, or until the money runs out. It could be put in the newsletter to announce it and to get feed back.

Chris Milia added, in addition to cablecast there is a webcast archive. Residents can watch from their computer. Archives are held for 30 days. It gives more value at no additional cost.

Lorenz questioned what the startup cost would be. Milia estimated around \$2500, which is for the audio equipment. It would then be \$250-\$600 per meeting.

Dave Albery provided a background. West Bloomfield broadcasts every meeting (board, PC, P&R, etc.); eleven meetings a month for the last 20 years. Keego Harbor does their council meeting once a month and Orchard Lake has no interest in it at all. There are some concessions, a microphone at each person at the table. Each public comment would have to be at a microphone. It is broadcast on Channel 15. West Bloomfield currently has a meeting on the same night as Sylvan Lake's regular council meeting. He would suggest taping Sylvan's meeting to start with and then they can work it out to do it live. He suggested asking Keego Harbor how they feel about broadcasting their meeting to see how valuable a tool it is. He stated there are only cameras which move back and forth. The operation takes place back at West Bloomfield.

Albery informed council he will be bringing two proposals before council next month. The first is rec. cable joint venture fund.

Lorenz inquired as to how much could be put on cable. He if advertising the rental for the Community Center could be listed. He asked if advertising homes for sale in Sylvan could be done. Milia thought it could as long as it didn't show Realtors. Zubrzycki asked what else the money can be used for. Milia stated council can promote the millage or do a power point presentation. Martin reviewed things which the money has been used for in the past: How to vote, leaf program, and the 50th Anniversary.

Lorenz asked how much money is in the fund current. Albery stated around \$3500 and they are proposing \$10,000. Martin stated he still has the invoice for installation of fiber optics for the Community Center, which the money was suppose to be used for.

Councilmember Maurina would like to get a formal quote for startup before going any further. Council agreed.

R2-003-09

b Approval of Resolution Honoring the 50th Anniversary of the Sylvan Lake Lutheran Church

Moved by Maurina, seconded Shepp, to approve the resolution honoring the 50th anniversary of the Sylvan Lake Lutheran Church.

Yes: All

No: None

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Lorenz asked if the church was ever been offered to use the Community Center. Martin stated they have not, but thought it was a good idea.

R2-004-09 CA-004-09

Moved by Maurina, seconded Shepp, to allow the Sylvan Lake Lutheran Church to use the Community Center one time as a thank you for allowing the city to hold meetings at their church while the Community Center was being built.

Yes: All
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

CA-005-09

c. Consideration to Approve Sidewalk Easement for Tim Horton's Restaurant

Martin explained this is necessary to allow public use and access to the sidewalk in front of Tim Horton's. The sidewalk is on their property, which is why an easement is required. Bibeau drafted it and he and Martin have revised it. It gives the City Manager permission to execute the agreement.

Moved by Zubrzycki, seconded Shepp, to approve the Permanent Sidewalk Easement between the City of Sylvan Lake and Velmeir Sylvan Lake, L.L.C. for the property located at 6235 Orchard Lake Road as presented.

Yes: Zubrzycki, Lorenz, Maurina, Shepp
No: None
Absent: Wiegand

MOTION CARRIED

O-004-09

d. Consideration to Approve Ordinance 298 – Fence Ordinance

Martin noted he made the requested changes which council asked for last month.

Moved by Maurina, seconded Zubrzycki, to approve Ordinance 298, Fence Ordinance as submitted.

Yes: Lorenz, Maurina, Shepp, Zubrzycki
No: None

ORDINANCE ADOPTED

O-005-09 SW-001-09

e. Consideration to Approve Ordinance 299 – Sewage Disposal Ordinance

Martin explained this is required by the Detroit Sewage Department to make sure all municipalities that contribute to the Detroit Sewer System comply with the regulations. The

main focus is to keep untreated chemicals, by-products, metals, hazardous materials, etc from entering the sewer system, treatment system and ultimately lakes and streams.

Bibeau added this only affects 20 households in Sylvan Lake because the rest are with the Pontiac Sewage System.

Moved by Maurina, seconded Shepp, to approve Ordinance 299, Sewage Disposal Ordinance, as presented.

Yes: Maurina, Shepp, Zubrzycki, Lorenz

No: None

ORDINANCE ADOPTED

P1-015-09

f. Consideration to Approve TCO for 4-Way Stops for Lakeland and Woodland at Pleasant

Martin explained this topic has come up on a few occasions over the last few years. The Chief and Martin have discussed it and agree that it would be a good idea.

Maurina asked if it is necessary to put on Pleasant also. Martin recommended it. Maurina asked how many residents are interested in this. Rob Galacz stated he lives on Lakeland and feels every resident on Lakeland would like to see this approved.

Shepp asked that the Police Department give a 30 day warning before starting to issue tickets. Martin concurred that is what they do. Maurina asked how soon the signs can go up. Martin stated right away. Zubrzycki suggested putting it on cable and the website.

Moved by Shepp, seconded Zubrzycki, to approve the Traffic Control Order to create a 4-way stop at the intersections of Lakeland Pleasant and Woodland and Pleasant.

Yes: Shepp, Zubrzycki, Lorenz, Maurina,

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

g. Discussion of Boat Dock Fee

BD-004-09

Shepp review his goal and thinking on this was to help the general fund. By earmarking the increase for seawall repairs it didn't help the general fund. He would like to repeal the motion.

Moved by Shepp, seconded Maurina, to repeal the motion to increase the dock fee \$100 and put it back to \$365.

Zubrzycki thought the fee would go to the general fund and he thought money was budgeted for seawall repairs.

Patty Harrop likes money earmarked for seawall repairs because they are needed.

Lorenz shared some of their thinking behind the increase. There were comments people are not going to vote the millage unless the dock fees are increased first. If the millage doesn't pass and they increase the fee, one of the things they may have to do is open up dock spaces to outside the city if they are not filling them.

Martin brought to their attention, this will affect this fiscal year. The increase is for the next calendar year, which is in this budget year.

Shepp stated there is a difference with municipal dock spaces and Lake Organization spaces. Maurina agreed it is not apples to apples. The \$1000 fee on Pine Lake provides the dock and no insurance is required. She feels council needs to make others aware of this.

Yes: Zubrzycki, Maurina, Shepp

No: Lorenz

MOTION CARRIED

NON-ACTION ITEMS

- a. Community Center Policy - Fees for use types

Martin reported the committee met and has submitted their recommendations. Martin will forward them to City Council

- b. Appointment of Parks and Recreation Committee members
- c. Security for Ferndale Park, Restroom and Boat Launch
- d. Community Center Parking Lighting
- e. City Entrance/Identification Signs

There was nothing new to report on these agenda items.

- f. Noise Ordinance

O-006-09

Zubrzycki would like council at set a time frame for Planning Commission to take action on the noise ordinance. Lorenz suggested 60 days.

Moved by Zubrzycki, seconded Shepp, for Planning Commission to have a draft of the noise ordinance to City Council by the October meeting.

Yes: All

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

NEWSLETTER AND CABLE INPUT

Loren Maurina suggested promoting the millage.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Maurina, seconded Shepp, to adjourn the regular City Council Meeting.

Yes: All

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Dennise Clippert, City Clerk