

Accts Pay-Nov-Dec \$144,260.22 Check #'s 44386-44430
Totaling \$188,219.43 E0000000100-E0000000101

Yes: All
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS

Lorenz stated he spoke with the Chief regarding the total number of citations issued. This number is incorrect and he will get a revised report to them. Martin explained the police are using new software and it provided annual figures instead of monthly.

Mayor Lorenz received the City Attorney report for the month of November 2009, and the Police Department report for October 2009 and asked that they be placed on file.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

There were no reports.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

PR-014-09

MaryAnn Smith thought that the restrooms at Ferndale were going to be opened by the Police Department when the Park Ranger isn't on duty. She tried using them a couple weeks ago and they were closed. Martin informed her they are closed for the winter because they are not heated.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

Tim Horton's

Martin stated Tim Horton's opened November 30th and they are very busy.

Italia Fresca

They have done a nice job with the place and the food is very good. They are attempting to get a beer/wine license and this should be coming before City Council within the next 60-90 days.

Recycling Workshop

Martin announced recycling workshop went well. There were about a dozen people there. He will put the additional information on the website and send out a newsbyte. You can purchase recycling bins and trash cans at City Hall.

Fireplace

CC-018-09

Martin stated the fireplace at the Community Center was not working and has been fixed. The damper wasn't working.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS

Meskin had no comment.

Zubrzycki wished happy holidays to everyone. He stated he attended the recycling presentation and it was very good. He likes having the bigger recycling bin. Zubrzycki thanked Chief Silver for coming to the Study Session to discuss the police run report. It provided great detail. He urged everyone to attend the study sessions because they discuss things in detail.

Maurina also wished happy holidays to everyone.

Lorenz shared Oakland County Health Department is providing H1N1 flu shots at three different locations. He provided the information to the Clerk and asked that it be put on the city's website. Lorenz provided he was also impressed with the workshop and stated residents can go online to get coupons for rewards for recycling. He announced the holiday light judging will be December 12 and reminded everyone to have their lights on starting at 6:00 p.m.

Lorenz cleared up the comment from last month's meeting regarding City Hall employees not doing their job by not calling people on the boat dock waitlist. He reported the waitlist was audited and everyone was called; there are notations next to each name and that particular one said they were sharing with someone else already. He reminded everyone if they would just ask the question of what they are concerned about they will find out there is a very good answer.

Lorenz wished everyone a happy holiday.

ACTION ITEMS

a. Discussion on Broadcasting Council Meetings

C3-006-09

Loren Maurina reported this service is available free to the city. The meeting would be broadcast live and repeated various times during the month and they would be available for viewing on the web anytime. Lorenz asked Loren to define free. His understanding is that the money would come out of the joint venture fund. Loren agreed it would until funds are exhausted. It is his intention to get the cable board to broadcast the rest of the meetings for free. Free meaning it won't come out of the general fund. Martin clarified, but it will come out of the joint venture fund. Loren stated that is a yes and no answer. Yes because that is where it would normally come

out of, but no because they have been spending more than they have taken in. Until more revenue comes in than they are spending, it wouldn't cost a thing. Maurina thought Chris Milia stated it will cost around \$2,500 to upgrade system. Martin refuted it will cost more to install a quality sound system than that. Loren's understanding from Dave Albery is that the city wouldn't need to buy equipment because they could tell Milia that the city wants to use his.

Zubrzycki is for broadcasting the meetings, but not for running out of funds and then having the expectation that it will continue. He asked if there can be a one-time test run. Loren feels council needs to commit to doing it until money runs out. He feels he can't get them to broadcast the meeting for free until there are zero funds. Loren asked if the city has a quote for what is needed to buy. Loren stated the city doesn't need buy anything. Loren would like council to approve broadcasting the meetings and requesting as part of the fees paid to them. Loren would like a spec sheet to say everything they do need to setup and verification they don't need to buy anything. Maurina asked if they can track how many are watching. Loren stated Comcast may be able to, but the cable board can not. He would like to do a survey for residents to respond to. Martin again asked Loren to clarify free. If they will still take out money from the Joint Venture Fund, it is not free. It will not come out of the city's general fund, but will come out of fees. Loren replied, that is not how he is going to propose it.

Council discussed the broadcast setup time for each meeting. This will increase the fee.

Loren isn't for using the franchise fees for broadcasting. He would like to use it for something else and have Loren inform the board the city is interested in broadcasting the meeting, but not willing to spend funds from the General fund or Venture Fund. Loren feels this puts him in a difficult position until the funds are not available. He asked council to spend the funds on something. Loren would like to do a promotional video. Clippert report there is a bill which the city paid for installing fiber optics to the Community Center for fiber optics. It can be submitted for reimbursement.

Zubrzycki asked if the meetings are uncut/unedited. Loren stated basically they add council names.

Nicole Menuck feels everyone lives close so they can attend the meeting. They can be casual and not worry about what they look like or what they are saying. Also not everyone has cable.

Moved by Meskin, seconded Zubrzycki, to table until the January 2010 meeting.

Yes: Lorenz, Zubrzycki, Meskin

No: Maurina

MOTION CARRIED

b. Discussion to Eliminate Requirement to Have a Boat at the Dock

BD-005-09

Maurina inquired if there are any safety issues with not requiring a dock or mooring post. Martin stated there are not. If they have a dock they have to provide a copy of their insurance for it.

Moved by Meskin, seconded Zubrzycki, to amend the boat dock policy to eliminate the requirement to have a watercraft, dock or mooring post at a dock space. However, if there is a watercraft or watercraft at a dock space, at least one of the watercraft has to be owned by the dock space holder.

Yes: All
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

BD-006-09

c. Discussion to Eliminate Ability to Waive a Dock Space for One Year

Martin would like to eliminate this from the policy. It is a bookkeeping nightmare. If someone wants to keep their spot, they can pay for it. Otherwise, it goes to the next person the list. Council discussed this and agreed.

Bill Stevens is for getting rid of the one year waive. He feels they should take it or leave it.

Luke Cassar asked the city to keep an eye on subletting docks. He is concerned with this.

Nicole Menuck said empty spaces are not going to take away the problem. She feels there needs to be a set time to allow the waitlist people to answer if they want a dock space or not.

Luke Cassar feels there should be a fee to stay on the wait list. Dennis Cassar believes it wouldn't be fair to take \$100 to get on the wait list and make them pay another fee to go to the bottom again.

Moved by Maurina, seconded Zubrzycki, to amend the boat policy to delete the provision in the Boat Dock Policy that allows residents to waive a dock space for one year.

Yes: All
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

BD-007-09

Moved by Zubrzycki, seconded Maurina, to amend the Boat Dock Policy to allow those on the wait list to accept a dock space and pay the dock fee, or move to the end of the wait list.

Yes: All
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

BD-008-09

Moved by Meskin, seconded Zubrzycki, to charge a \$25 fee if they choose to be immediately placed at the end of the wait list if they pass up an offered dock space.

Yes: All
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

Council discussed allowing three watercrafts at each dock space. They decided to wait on this.

PR-015-09

d. Discussion to Allow Non-Boat Owners to Purchase Boat Ramp Key for Day Pass

Martin explained this topic has to do with the “day pass” for the boat ramp. Current only residents that own a boat can purchase a ramp key and they have to show proof of their boat registration. He feels any resident should be allowed to purchase a ramp key. The whole purpose of the day pass is to allow a nonresident access to the lake through our boat ramp. It shouldn’t matter if the resident sponsoring the nonresident has a boat or not. When they get the day pass they have to provide a boat registration or information. So at the boat ramp a sticker or day pass is needed.

Moved by Zubrzycki, seconded Maurina, to allow non-boat owner residents to purchase a boat ramp key.

Yes: All
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

BD-009-09

e. Discussion of Boat Dock Space Rental to Non-Residents

Moved by Zubrzycki, seconded Meskin, to remove “Discussion of boat dock space rental to nonresidents” from the agenda.

Yes: All
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

f. Discussion of Park Fees and Boat Dock Fees

Maurina suggested they table this because it will probably be a lengthy discussion and they still have a long agenda to get through.

Martin noted the boat dock letters will be going out the first of the month. Council asked that the letter be held until after the January meeting. They felt a month and half is sufficient time to pay.

Moved by Maurina, seconded Zubrzycki, to table to the January 2010 meeting.

Yes: All
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

A-012-09 P1-018-09

g. CCRIF Time Line - Consolidation Efforts with Keego

Martin explained there is going to be three phases with Plante & Moran. The first phase will be in January for fact finding, the second in March will be to get info to other communities for cost for services and the third in May to report to the City Council's with their final findings. The Clerk and City Manager are meeting with Plante & Moran next Tuesday to do the first set of fact findings. It is an aggressive time-line.

h. Selection of Two Council Members for CCRIF Steering Committee

Lorenz stated he is willing to serve on this. Zubrzycki would like to know what the times would be for meeting. Martin will find out and put this on the agenda again next month.

CA-007-09

i. Approval of Winter Maintenance agreement with RCOC

Moved by Maurina, seconded Meskin, to approve the Winter Maintenance Agreement with the RCOC for 2009-10 at a price of \$1,138.48.

Yes: All
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

S-003-09

j. Discussion of Winter Street Maintenance

Martin asked council to back up his actions to save money by reducing the plowing and salting. Council agreed, but stated they don't want the city to look as Keego Harbor did last year.

k. Approval of Resolution to Waive the Recapture of CDBG Funds

B3-002-09 R2-007-09

Martin explained these are funds which the city has not spent. This resolution will prevent Oakland County from recapturing them.

Moved by Meskin, seconded Maurina, to approve the resolution to waive the recapture of 2007 CDBG funds as presented.

Yes:
No: None

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

R2-008-09

l. Consideration to Approve Resolution Opposing Elimination of Local Control for Smart

Martin explained the County is considering removing the opt-out provision for local units. This resolution urges Oakland County to continue to allow local units to exercise local control.

Moved by Zubrzycki, seconded Meskin, to adopt the resolution opposing the elimination of Local Control for Smart Millage.

Yes:
No: None

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

F-010-09

m. Approval of Financial Institutions to be used for 2010

Moved by Maurina, seconded Meskin, to approve allowing the City Treasurer to investing with the financial institutions as provided.

Yes: All
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

A2-007-09

n. Appointment to Planning Commission

Mayor Lorenz stated they received applications of interest from Jim Schafer, Justin Hatch, Bill Brundage and Joseph Salemi. Mayor Lorenz would like to appoint Jim Schafer because his expertise with planning. He acknowledged Justin Hatch has been trying to get on the Planning Commission, but hopes he understands with Schafer's background he is better qualified. Lorenz hopes Hatch will continue to apply for the board.

Moved by Zubrzycki, seconded Maurina, to approve Mayor Lorenz' appointment of Jim Schafer to the Planning Commission for a term of 3 threes, expiring 2013.

Yes: All
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

R2-009-09 FD-002-09

o. Proclamation Honoring Chief James Poppelreiter

Moved by Maurina, seconded Zubrzycki, to adopt the Proclamation honoring Chief James Poppelreiter for his years of service.

Yes: All
No: None

PROCLAMATION ADOPTED

NON-ACTION ITEMS

- a. Appointment of Parks and Recreation Committee members
- b. Security for Ferndale Park, Restroom and Boat Launch
- c. Community Center Parking Lighting
- d. City Entrance/Identification Signs
- e. Appointment to the GWBCAB for a three-year term
- f. Discussion of RVA space rental to non-residents
- g. Consideration to approve Community Center Policy
- h. Discussion to open Community Center Rental to public
- i. Noise Ordinance

There was nothing new to report for these agenda items.

NEWSLETTER AND CABLE INPUT

H1N1 flu shots schedule.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Yes: All

No: None

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 10:09 p.m.

Dennise Clippert, City Clerk