

A Regular Meeting of the Sylvan Lake City Council was held on Wednesday, October 19, 2016 opening at 7:30 p.m. Mayor Dzenko presided over the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Meskin, Zubrzycki, Cassar, Dzenko, Lorenz
Absent: None
Also Present: City Manager Martin, Clerk Dryden and Attorney Schultz

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Cassar, seconded Meskin, to approve the City Council Agenda for October 19, 2016, as amended.

Yes: All
No: None
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Zubrzycki, seconded Cassar, to approve the regular meeting minutes of September 21, 2016, as submitted.

Yes: All
No: None
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF DISBURSEMENTS

Moved by Meskin, seconded Lorenz, to approve the voucher report for October totaling \$336,703.72, as submitted.

Sept Payroll	\$ 60,143.95	Check #'s	11827-11833 DD2756-DD2780 EFT1085-EFT1092
Accts Pay-Sept-Oct	<u>\$276,559.77</u>	Check #'s	49093-49135 EFT 1290-1292, 1299-1307 (E) ACH 1288-89, 1293-1298 (A)
Totaling	\$336,703.72		

Yes: All
No: None
MOTION CARRIED

ACCEPTANCE OF REPORTS

Mayor Dzenko received the August and September report for the DPW, and the Police and the City Attorney reports for September and asked that they be placed on file.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Mayor Dzenko read the Parks & Recreation Committee report and they will be attached with these minutes. He stated he sent an email to Patrick Runk to thank him and his committee for the work they do.

Jim Endres reported there is nothing for Board of Review until December. For Cable Communications there are four new shows and Dave Albery can expand on these.

BRIEF PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Jim Smith thanked the League of Women Voters for hosting “Meet the Candidates.” Also he thanked Jan Hays for her Pumpkin Patch event.

Jim Endres shared it is Breast Cancer awareness month and everyone should be wearing pink. The Garden Club will be holding their monthly meeting here tomorrow afternoon at 1:00 p.m. Endres thanked the almost 200 supports who are endorsing him for running for City Council.

Dzenko thanked Helen Jane Peters for the painting at City Hall of “Mary’s Little Lamb.” He saw it at City Hall and it looks great.

Helen Jane Peters showed a smaller version of the painting which was done in 1928. It was commissioned by Charles Fischer who was the architect for Whitfield School and City Hall and they were built just one year apart. The painting was painted by Roy Gamble and he was a famous Detroit artist and he also lived in Sylvan Lake on the point at Gamble’s. The painting was at Whitfield School and then at the Historical Society for 20 years. They raised \$3000 to have it refurbished by the DIA., which was completed in 2012.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS

Events

Parks & Rec held their Halloween Movie Night which was well attended and fun. The Harvest Wine Tasting will be November 18 from 7:00 to 10:00 and is always a popular event. The annual Holiday cookie exchange and Santa visit is planned for December 11 from noon to 3:00. A big thank you to the parks and rec. committee for all of their hard work and donated time planning and holding all of

these wonderful events.

Donation

FR-002-16

Last month he mentioned that we would be installing a memorial bench at the Lakeview beach. If the seawall is approved tonight, we will wait to install the bench until after the wall is installed so it won't be in the way.

Trail

RT-001-16

ITC has replanted the area along the trail behind the Mobil station almost to the RV storage area. It's all new, so quite small, but they planted a lot and it looks great. We're going to see if we can get a group to go in and clean up the brush and debris to really finish it up.

Election

After issues with absentee ballots needing to be reprinted and a few changes to procedure, Dennise and group are all ready for the election. We're expecting a very large turnout and they have a very good plan on how to set up for the election. Remember to come out and vote - the polls are open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. You can come to City hall and pick up an absentee ballot from now until Saturday, November 5th. City Hall will be open that Saturday from 9:00 to 2:00 for absentee ballots only. After that you can vote an emergency ballot, but it has to be voted right away at City Hall, you can't take it home.

HHW

We had 43 vehicles drop off House Hold Hazardous waste in West Bloomfield in September. It's nice to see this program being taken advantage of and keeping the waste out of our landfills, lakes and water supply.

Planning Commission

Their next meeting will be November 1st at 7 p.m. On the agenda will be a lot split for the Dawson properties on Ferndale. They will make a recommendation to City Council and it will be on the November City Council agenda for their consideration.

Police Dept.

P1-007-16

Two radar speed signs have been ordered. One of them is solar powered and the other is only battery powered. The battery powered one can be relocated more easily than the solar powered one. These types of signs have been proven to reduce speeding significantly. These two will also record driving speeds so we can see what areas are more prone to speeding

Beautification

We are still hoping to purchase and plant some trees in various areas of the City this fall.

Street Repairs

The pavement repair project is scheduled to begin next Monday. Hopefully it will be better weather than last year and they can be in and out in a week.

City Hall

We're having the remainder of the ramp and sidewalk poured this week at City Hall, if the rain doesn't mess it up. We thought that was all that would be left, but when the inspector came out, we found that the overhang at the top of the ramp needs to be raised. So we'll have to make a small roof over that new door, similar to the one we installed at the lower entry level. Right when we think we're done, there's something else.

Study Session

C1-001-16

Martin stated the study session is supposed be next Tuesday. He asked if they would like to wait for the audit report to be distributed, Council review it and send Martin any questions. Then we can have the auditor attend a study session if Council chooses. Council agreed to cancel the October study session.

Water

Martin attended the Michigan section AWWA fall regional meeting yesterday and there are still more regulations being added or changed regarding testing of lead and copper, total coliform action levels, and emerging contaminants.

Training

A couple weeks ago Martin attended a workshop hosted by the Michigan Municipal Risk Management authority regarding the hot topic of Police use of force and legal trends and updates. Very interesting and we will be keeping an eye on court decisions pertaining to the use of tasers, body cameras, etc.

Water/Sewer Bills

Water meters were read the beginning of the month and bills will go out the beginning of November. We are still encouraging residents that use a lot of outdoor water to install a second meter.

Halloween

Trick or Treat will be Monday the 31st from 6:00 to 7:00 and the Police will be out handing out candy as usual.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Cassar thanked everyone for coming and thanked Martin for comments.

Zubrzycki thanked Jan Hays. He wishes all the candidates who are running on the ballot good luck. He stated residents can watch the Candidates forum online, a link is on the website.

Lorenz thanked everyone for coming and thanked Helen Jane Peters for her dedication to the history of the city and hopes someone carries this on. He would like to add to the study session agenda ROW parking the wrong direction and address the pension fund being under funded.

Meskin asked if the city is making the pension funding payments. Martin confirmed we are. Meskin questioned the Diversion Project in Pontiac. It is something with flushing the sewers to make the water faster and it is supposed to save residents \$5 million. Martin didn't know anything about it. Meskin stated he has the article so Martin can read it. Meskin asked if the audit would be coming soon as the letter said it would ready by the end of September. Martin stated it should be ready soon.

Dzenko announced he is glad to see residents using the Household Hazardous Waste Collection. He reminded everyone the winter tax bill will be coming out soon and the garbage and rubbish contract will show as a special assessment at \$185 per household. That breaks down to \$3 a week for curbside trash, recycling, yard waste and leaf collection. The summer tax bill still has a small millage on it for the park cleanup and other small items.

ACTION ITEMS

a. 2017GWBCCC Budget

Dave Albery, explained the funding for this budget comes from the cable fund which is shared with the other three communities. It is money paid to the communities from the cable companies for the right to be here.

Meskin asked if Sylvan Lake's money can be used for cable proگرامing City Council meetings? Albery reviewed each community may, under federal and state law, expend funds from its share for any cable related purpose. So Sylvan Lake can use this money to setup to have the Community Center ready to televise the meetings. Meskin asked what the fee for each meeting. Albery stated Keego Harbor pays for broadcasting of their meeting from their general fund and West Bloomfield using their funds from the joint venture fund.

Moved by Meskin, seconded Lorenz, to approve the 2017 Greater West Bloomfield Cable Communications Commission budget as proposed.

Yes: All
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

b. Ordinance 327, Re-Adoption of Consumer's Energy Franchise Agreement

Martin reviewed a special meeting was held so City Council could approve this franchise agreement within the allotted time set by our City Charter. Consumer had 30 days to sign the agreement as approved by City Council. Consumers failed to do that and asked that it be placed back on the agenda for re-adoption. The only changes to the agreement are dates.

Martin also noted Consumers was billed for publication, attorney and city employees time and has agreed to pay.

Zubrzycki thanked the attorney for providing the letter of explanation.

Moved by Cassar, seconded Meskin, to approve Ordinance 327, re-adopting the Consumer's Energy 30-year Franchise agreement.

Yes: Zubrzycki, Cassar, Dzenko, Lorenz, Meskin

No: None

ORDINANCE ADOPTED

- c. Agreement to Install Seawall on Pontiac Drive point and Lakeview Beach area
CA-012-16

Martin stated he and Cassar met with JZ Contracting. They are proposing a boulder wall for aesthetics and longevity for these areas.

Zubrzycki agreed this is the right spot to try the boulders. He thanked Cassar for his help on this. Lorenz is surprised a guardrail isn't required at the point. Martin stated one will be installed.

Jim Smith recalls a willow tree on Pontiac Drive and wondered if this will get in the way. Martin stated it is no longer there.

Cassar explained the guardrail they discussed will have a nautical rope look to it.

Moved by Zubrzycki, seconded Cassar, to approve the proposal with JZ Contracting in the amount of \$62,234 for seawall installation and authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to review and execute the agreement.

Cassar proposed keeping the design open to modify in case they need to change it. When pounding sheets they aren't sure what they will hit. Meskin agreed to add a percentage in case they run into something.

Moved by Zubrzycki, seconded Cassar, to amend the motion adding a 10% increase to spend if needed.

Yes: Cassar, Dzenko, Lorenz, Meskin, Zubrzycki
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

NON-ACTION ITEMS

- a. Security for Ferndale Park, Restroom and Boat Launch
- b. Weed Control
- c. Fire Department
- d. Seawall – Replace section of Ferndale wall
- e. ROW Policy/Parking

Martin noted this is on the Planning Commission’s agenda right now, which would include parking the wrong way. He asked if Council still wants Planning Commission to make a recommendation or do they want to discuss it first. Lorenz would like to discuss the parking situation at a study session. He asked what Planning Commission is looking at. Martin stated parking gravel area and materials, parking in general. It is tough to enforce. Lorenz feels City Council can discuss that also.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Lorenz, seconded Cassar, to adjourn the regular City Council Meeting.

Yes: All
No: None

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:22 p.m.

Dennise Dryden, City Clerk