

**LAPEER CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OCTOBER 16, 2017**

A regular meeting of the Lapeer City Commission was held October 16, 2017 at Lapeer City Hall, 576 Liberty Park, Lapeer, Michigan. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Sprague.

Commissioners Atwood, Bennett, Bostick-Tullius, Gates, Marquardt.

Absent: None.

City Manager: Dale Kerbyson, present.

City Attorney: Michael Nolan, present.

AGENDA APPROVAL

249 2017 10-16

Moved by Bostick-Tullius. Seconded Gates.

Approve the Agenda for October 16, 2017 with the addition of property purchase to the Closed Session Request and the deletion of Item G.2. Housing Improvement Department: Public Hearing Request, MEDC CDBG Grant Application - Lapeer Teamwork Façade Project.

Ayes: Atwood, Bennett, Bostick-Tullius, Gates, Marquardt.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

MINUTES

250 2017 10-16

Moved by Gates. Seconded by Marquardt.

Approve the minutes from the Regular meeting and Closed Session held October 2, 2017 as presented.

Ayes: Atwood, Bennett, Bostick-Tullius, Gates, Marquardt.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Minutes from various Boards and Commissions were received into record.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

James Alt, DDA Executive Director provided an update on the new M-24 sign, thanked the Commission for contribution and support, actual cost of sign was just over \$48,000 than the \$36,000 as expected. Discussion on City contribution of \$12,000 towards new sign, intent was to pay 1/3 of the cost, approve additional amount towards new sign.

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Moved by Bostick-Tullius. Seconded by Gates.

Approve City contribution to DDA for the M-24 sign to be 1/3 of the entire cost.

Ayes: Atwood, Bennett, Bostick-Tullius, Gates, Marquardt.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

Tim Martin, Attica, gave invocation.

CONSENT AGENDA

252 2017 10-16

Moved by Marquardt. Seconded by Gates.

Approve the Consent Agenda for October 16, 2017 resulting in the following.

1. Special Event Request from Lapeer County Young Marines for Red Ribbon Week, October 22-28, 2017, placement of red ribbons on downtown lamp posts in support of drug awareness.
2. Halloween Trick or Treat Hours to be 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Halloween night, Tuesday, October 31, 2017.
3. Purchase of a new canine from Mid-Michigan Kennels in the amount of \$11,500, CIP Project #20290.
4. Special Event Request from Lapeer Downtown Development Authority for A Ladies Night Out–Women’s Walk, downtown area, November 9, 2017, 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Ayes: Atwood, Bennett, Bostick-Tullius, Gates, Marquardt.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

BILL LISTING FOR OCTOBER 16, 2017

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Moved by Gates. Seconded by Marquardt.

Approve the Bill Listing for October 16, 2017 in the amount of \$361,582.94.

Ayes: Atwood, Bennett, Bostick-Tullius, Gates, Marquardt.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

PROCLAMATIONS, RECOGNITIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

None.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

DeMille Road Rehabilitation Project.

Astec Asphalt, Inc. – Payment Request #3 – FINAL

254 2017 10-16

Moved by Gates. Seconded by Atwood.

Approve Final Payment Request #3 in the amount of \$5,165.85 to Astec Asphalt, Inc. for the DeMille Road Rehabilitation Project.

Ayes: Atwood, Bennett, Bostick-Tullius, Gates, Marquardt.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

DEQ – Storage Tank Removal at 18 E. Nepessing Street, City of Lapeer.

City Manager Dale Kerbyson commented on DEQ letter for removal of an underground storage tank at 18 E. Nepessing Street along with follow-up air sampling to be paid for by DEQ with no cost to the City; Commissioner Bennett clarified it was a dry cleaning facility; after site clean-up, plans are to renovate into conference and/or office space.

CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORT

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

DEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS

Department Monthly Reports and the Monthly Financial Report for August 2017 were received into record.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Bennett: Did not see Jeff Hogan at the Solar event, has pictures if he would like to borrow them.

Commissioner Gates: Attended Art Association Pumpkin event, Fire Department Open House; thanked everyone for coming tonight; thanked the Police, Fire, DPW and staff for all they do in our City.

Commissioner Atwood: A lot was going on this weekend downtown; Optimist Halloween event, street cleanup after. Reached out to Commander Carol Arman with Lapeer County Young Marines, their special event was approved at tonight's meeting for placement of red ribbons in support of drug awareness, for her thoughts on medical marijuana, read email wherein Ms. Arman commented on the ease of availability of drugs to youths if marijuana is legalized and that it should have to go through a pharmacy and be sold like any other drug, has spoken to two states that have legalized in Colorado and Washington where it has increased crime and has not been good for either state, he sees medical use of marijuana and in his opinion feels there is more cons than pros.

Commissioner Bostick-Tullius: Attended DTE event, they did a great job and was educational; attended LACADA benefit which was well attended and understands they had a stellar year.

Commissioner Marquardt: Attended Pumpkin, DTE, Zonta Fantasy Forest events, Fire Open House was amazing, equipment and investment in department is money well spent and also reflects in insurance proposals; beware of cell phone scam as someone is using her mother's cell number and indicating they are a home security line.

City Manager Dale Kerbyson: DTE event, close to 500 people attended; last meeting and request for meet and greet with police officers, department will have a 160th anniversary next year and will hold an event in January to celebrate; Nightmare on Nepeaning event was a huge success.

Mayor Sprague: Upcoming events, thanked DTE for an outstanding event and that DTE are great partners.

CLOSED SESSION REQUEST

255 2017 10-16

Moved by Bennett. Seconded by Gates.

Approve a Closed Session to discuss the City Manager's Evaluation, pending legal issues and property purchase.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE:

YEAS: Commissioners Bostick-Tullius, Marquardt, Bennett, Gates, Atwood.

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

The City Commission convened to a Closed Session at 6:56 p.m. and returned to a regular meeting at 9:08 p.m.

256 2017 10-16

Moved by Bostick-Tullius. Seconded by Gates.

Authorize the City Attorney to file suit regarding drug forfeiture property with Lapeer County if no check is in hand by Friday, October 20, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

Ayes: Atwood, Bennett, Bostick-Tullius, Gates, Marquardt.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

257 2017 10-16

Moved by Bennett. Seconded by Gates.

Set a Building Workshop meeting for Thursday, October 19, 2017 at 5:30 p.m.

Ayes: Atwood, Bennett, Bostick-Tullius, Gates, Marquardt.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

258 2017 10-16

Moved by Bennett. Seconded by Gates.

City Attorney prepare Addendum to City Manager Employment Contract for a 4% salary increase to be effective immediately and authorize the Mayor to sign said Addendum.

Ayes: Atwood, Bennett, Bostick-Tullius, Gates, Marquardt.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT

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Moved by Bennett.

Adjourn the regular meeting.

Ayes: Atwood, Bennett, Bostick-Tullius, Gates, Marquardt.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

The regular meeting adjourned at 9.09 p.m.

William J. Sprague, Mayor

Donna L. Cronce, MMC, City Clerk

Tracey S. Russell, Deputy City Clerk