

GRAND LEDGE CITY COUNCIL
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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, 26 JANUARY 2015
7:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
310 GREENWOOD ST.

- I. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL** – Mayor Kalmin Smith; and Council members Christina Bartholomew, Sue Roberts, Thom Sowle, and Don Willems

– Mayor Pro-Tem Keith Mulder and Council member Rick Lantz were absent

OTHERS PRESENT – Adam Smith, City Administrator; Gregory Newman, City Clerk; Larry LaHaie, Service Director; Chad Brunton, Street Supervisor;

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Justin Koepfler, led those in attendance in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

IV. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Motion (from staff)** – To approve the Monday, 26 January 2015 City Council consent agenda, as follows:

- i. Financial transactions and bills.
- ii. Monday, 12 January 2015 regular City Council minutes.

COUNCIL MEMBER BARTHOLOMEW MOVED, COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERTS SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MONDAY, 26 JANUARY 2015 CITY COUNCIL CONSENT AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

V. APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

- A. Motion** – To approve the Monday, 26 January 2015 regular City Council agenda.

COUNCIL MEMBER WILLEMS MOVED, COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERTS SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MONDAY, 26 JANUARY 2015 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL AGENDA. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

VI. COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

- A. Grand Ledge Area Emergency Services Authority**

Council member Willems reported on the Grand Ledge Area Emergency Services Authority efforts to update its five-year plan and mentioned a 19 February 2015 public hearing at Oneida Township Hall.

VII. STAFF REPORTS

- A. Adam Smith, City Administrator** – Annual Budget Calendar for the Fiscal Year Ending 30 June 2016.

Adam Smith, City Administrator, explained the Annual Budget Calendar for the Fiscal Year Ending 30 June 2016.

- B. Martin Underhill, Chief of Police** – Specially Designated Merchant License application from the Cole-Briggs Post, American Legion, Memorial Home Corporation.

Adam Smith, City Administrator, explained the memorandum from the Chief of Police on the Specially Designated Merchant License application from the Cole-Briggs Post, American Legion, Memorial Home Corporation.

The City Council discussed the City's ability to offer input on the Specially Designated Merchant License application.

VIII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

IX. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Resolution #01 of 2015** – To approve Contract Modification #2 to the contract with CL Trucking & Excavating, LLC, for the Edwards / Tulip Reconstruction Project.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERTS MOVED, COUNCIL MEMBER BARTHOLOMEW SECONDED, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION #01 OF 2015, TO APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATION #2 TO THE CONTRACT WITH CL TRUCKING & EXCAVATING, LLC, FOR THE EDWARDS / TULIP RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT.

Adam Smith, City Administrator, explained the contract modification covers a reduction of costs.

Larry LaHaie, Service Director, explained the contract modification deals with an item quantity change.

The City Council debated the reduction of costs.

MOTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION #01 OF 2015, TO APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATION #2 TO THE CONTRACT WITH CL TRUCKING & EXCAVATING, LLC, FOR THE EDWARDS / TULIP RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- B. Resolution #02 of 2015** – To approve Contract Modification #3 to the contract with CL Trucking & Excavating, LLC, for the Edwards / Tulip Reconstruction Project.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERTS MOVED, COUNCIL MEMBER WILLEMS SECONDED, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION #02 OF 2015, TO APPROVE CONTRACT MODIFICATION #3 TO THE CONTRACT WITH CL TRUCKING & EXCAVATING, LLC, FOR THE EDWARDS / TULIP RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

- C. Motion (recommended by the Planning Commission)** – To receive the Planning Commission 2014 Annual Report and approve the Planning Commission 2015 Work Plan.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERTS MOVED, COUNCIL MEMBER WILLEMS SECONDED, TO RECEIVE THE PLANNING COMMISSION 2014 ANNUAL REPORT AND APPROVE THE PLANNING COMMISSION 2015 WORK PLAN.

Adam Smith, City Administrator, explained the State requirement for the Planning Commission to annually submit a report and work plan to the City Council.

MOTION TO RECEIVE THE PLANNING COMMISSION 2014 ANNUAL REPORT AND APPROVE THE PLANNING COMMISSION 2015 WORK PLAN, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

X. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

Norm Zingelman, 304 Union St., commented on ongoing issues with neighbor's dogs.

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XI. COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Council member Willems commented on a dog bite incident in his family's past and on the need to adopt a local ordinance regulating animals instead of relying on Eaton County.

Mayor Smith commented on ongoing problems at the Union St. property, commented on the difficulty in addressing the problem and the need to resolve the issue, commented on the Lansing Economic Area Partnership grant application for a public art installation at Riverview Park, explained the creation of an Art Committee to develop and implement the process, and appointed Council member Bartholomew, Robert Brown, Chris Holmes, Betty Jones, Carolyn Miller, Alison Ramos, and Carol Wyman.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERTS MOVED, COUNCIL MEMBER WILLEMS SECONDED, TO APPROVE THE MAYOR'S APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL MEMBER BARTHOLOMEW, ROBERT BROWN, CHRIS HOLMES, BETTY JONES, CAROLYN MILLER, ALISON RAMOS, AND CAROL WYMAN TO THE ART COMMITTEE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

XII. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Motion** – To move into closed session to consider the purchase or lease of real property, per the Open Meetings Act, Section 8(d), and to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute, per the Open Meetings Act, Section 8(h).

COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERTS MOVED, COUNCIL MEMBER WILLEMS SECONDED, TO MOVE INTO CLOSED SESSION TO CONSIDER THE PURCHASE OR LEASE OF REAL PROPERTY, PER THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, SECTION 8(D), AT 7:57 P.M. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERTS MOVED, COUNCIL MEMBER SOWLE SECONDED, TO RETURN TO THE MONDAY, 26 JANUARY 2015 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING, AT 8:16 P.M. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERTS MOVED, COUNCIL MEMBER WILLEMS SECONDED, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION #03 OF 2015, TO APPROVE A PURCHASE AGREEMENT FOR 605 W. FRONT ST., CONTINGENT ON THE CITY RECEIVING GRANT ACQUISITION FUNDING FROM THE MICHIGAN NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND AND DIRECT CITY STAFF TO PREPARE AN APPLICATION IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE 01 APRIL 2015 DEADLINE. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

COUNCIL MEMBER ROBERTS MOVED, COUNCIL MEMBER WILLEMS SECONDED, TO ADJOURN THE MONDAY, 26 JANUARY 2015 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING, AT 8:18 P.M. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVED 09 FEBRUARY 2015.

Gregory L. Newman, City Clerk

Kalmin D. Smith, Mayor

