



MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Newaygo City Council

December 14, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fedell called the meeting to order at 7:01 PM at City Hall located at 28 N. State Road, Newaygo MI 49337.

Presiding officer: Mayor Fedell

Secretary: Clerk, Kim Biegalle

Roll Call: Present: Day, Fedell, Hikade, Johnson, Mast, Palmiter, Walerczyk
Absent: N/A

Motion by Hikade, support by Johnson to approve the agenda as presented. AIF/MC

PUBLIC COMMENTS

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Palmiter, support by Day to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the regular council minutes from 11/09/15 and accounts payable of \$10,616.13, \$45,025.52, \$500.00, \$25,425.44, \$23,404.92, \$12,169.50, \$2,744.45, \$20,668.95 and \$4,067.22. Roll Call: Yeas: Day, Fedell, Hikade, Johnson, Palmiter, Mast, Walerczyk Absent: None Nay: None. CARRIED

The following resolutions were also approved by Consent Agenda:

- A. Motion to approve Resolution 15-20 which re-appoints Travis Kroll, Art Westcott and Sandy Williams to the Planning Commission for three year terms
- B. Motion to approve Resolution 15-21 which re-appoints Scott Faulkner, Peg Mathis and Larry Ivens to the TIFA/LDFA Board for four year terms
- C. Motion to approve Resolution 15-22 re-appointing Ray Sohr and appointing Nick Looman for three year terms to the PSD (Principal Shopping District) Board
- D. Motion to approve Resolution 15-23 which re-appoints Ron Wight to the Building Authority for a four year term
- E. Motion to approve Resolution 15-24 which re-appoints Jon Schneider and Jane Parsley to the NCRA Board for a two year term
- G. Motion to approve Resolution 15-25 which appoints Dave Chambers to fill a vacancy on the Newaygo Area District Library Board through 12/31/18
- H. Motion to approve Resolution 15-26 which sets the regular dates for Council, Planning and TIFA for the 2016 calendar year

RESERVED TIME

Patrick Mutchler of Brickley DeLong presented the City's audit report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2015. He went through the audit book, hit some highlights and stated that the City had a clean opinion; also reviewed the single audit and noted no deficiencies.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MANAGERS REPORT

Schneider mentioned that the Michigan Municipal League (MML) had some upcoming classes for Council members. He stated that the new Police cruiser would be up and running very soon; hopefully the beginning of January. Schneider met with the Executive Director of the Muskegon River Watershed Assembly who noted that the City

of Newaygo was one of the finest towns along the watershed. Schneider introduced the newly elected Council member, Marcelo Santana, who goes by Chelo and also thanked Carl Mast for his many years of service to the City Council as tonight is his last meeting.

Larry Lethorn, County Commissioner, was present to state that the Board of Commissioners would be holding interviews for two candidates for the County Administrator job on December 22nd starting at 9:30 am; there is currently an interim County Commissioner.

Representative Bumstead was present so discuss some issues that are currently being discussed at the state level. He also noted that the state's budget should be done by the first week in June which is a huge accomplishment yet again and has been done for several years now and he also noted that the DNR Trust Fund grant is due by March if there is anything the City would like to apply for.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Ron Wight, DPW Superintendent, stated that his department continues to get lots done due to the nicer weather.

Sergeant Walerczyk also updated the Council on the new Police cruiser and stated that the Police equipment from the old Police car would be sold off to other police departments.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Hikade, support by Palmiter to approve Resolution 15-27 which approves the purchase of property known as 53 W. Wood Street by the City and allows for the City Manager to sign all necessary documents to close the transaction. Roll Call: Yeas: Day, Fedell, Hikade, Johnson, Palmiter, Mast, Walerczyk Absent: None Nay: None. CARRIED

Motion by Hikade, support by Palmiter to approve Resolution 15-28 which approves the purchase of property known as 95 W. Wood Street by the City and allows for the City Manager to sign all necessary documents to close the transaction. Roll Call: Yeas: Day, Fedell, Hikade, Johnson, Palmiter, Mast, Walerczyk Absent: None Nay: None. CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Walerczyk stated she has the pictures of the City with her and they are all framed and ready to hang.

Hikade asked for the new Council member, Chelo Santana, to tell the Council a little about himself and he did so.

Palmiter welcomed Santana, reiterated how Newaygo is truly a great City and stated he will miss Mast and stated he was an upstanding citizen.

Johnson, reiterated what Palmiter said about Mast and welcome Santana to the Council.

Mast stated he has enjoyed his time on the Council as well as when he was on the school board; stated every citizen should be on some type of committee within their City.

Biegalle thanked Mast for his service and he will be missed.

Schneider thanked Mast again for his service as well.

Motion by Walerczyk, supported by Mast to adjourn the meeting. AIF/MC

Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM.

Mayor – Ed Fedell

Clerk – Kim Biegalle