



MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Newaygo City Council

July 11, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fedell called the meeting to order at 7:03 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, Palmiter, Santana, Walerczyk

Absent:

Motion by Hikade, support by Walerczyk to approve the agenda with the additional of "Item F" under New Business.
AIF/MC

PUBLIC COMMENTS

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Palmiter, support by Day to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the regular council minutes from 06/27/16 and accounts payable of \$10,303.99, \$4,600.98, \$76,417.93, \$1,125.00 and \$2,388.58. Roll Call:
Yeas: Day, Fedell, Hikade, Johnson, Palmiter, Santana, Walerczyk Absent: None Nay: None. CARRIED

RESERVED TIME

Motion by Day, support by Santana at 7:05 pm to open the public hearing to discuss and take comment on the vacation/abandonment of a portion of road right-of-way called "Fremont Street". AIF/MC Schneider explained where the location of this portion of street was located. There is already an existing garage on half of the street as previous owners thought it was already vacated. No comments from Council or public. Motion by Hikade, support by Palmiter at 7:07 pm to close public hearing. AIF/MC

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Larry Lethorn, County Commissioner, stated that the County Park Director resigned last month and the County is working on replacing that position. He mentioned that the Commission on Aging has a ½ mill millage renewal and are asking for a new ½ mill millage. Sheriff Road Patrol millage is up for renewal too. Lethorn did check into the reason the City pays the road millage as well as for our own police department and explained to Council.

MANAGERS REPORT

Schneider went over a grid from SaveMICity.org which gave Council the amount of statutory revenue sharing that could have been gained if the State had put it in their budget over the last ten years.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Ron Wight, DPW Superintendent, stated that the Division Street sidewalk project could start as early as July 18th.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Palmiter, support by Hikade to approve Resolution 16-18 which vacates/abandons a portion of the road right-of-way called "Fremont Street". Roll Call: Yeas: Day, Fedell, Hikade, Johnson, Palmiter, Santana, Walerczyk
Absent: None Nay: None. CARRIED

Motion by Hikade, support by Johnson to approve the site plan and special use request by River Valley Development, LLC to construct a new 3,310 sq. ft. building with drive through service directly to the east of the O'Reilly Auto Parts store. Hikade is glad to see development. Kathy Culp from River Valley Development is hoping to start the project by August 1st if possible. AIF/MC

Motion by Walerczyk, support by Santana to approve the use of Brooks Park by Newaygo Area Ministerial Association (NAMA) to hold a church service on Sunday, July 17th from 9:00 am until 12:00 pm. AIF/MC

Motion by Palmiter, support by Hikade to approve the use of Brooks Park by the Family of God Church for a concert by the Saranac Area Musicians & Singers on Monday, August 22nd from 4:30 pm until 9:00 pm. AIF/MC

Motion by Fedell, support by Hikade to approve the use of Brooks Park by Roger Palmiter (who abstained from the vote) for a "Meet & Greet" with Bob Mendham on Tuesday, July 19th from 5:00 pm until 8:00 pm. AIF/MC

Motion by Santana, support by Hikade to approve road chip sealing on various streets within the City for a cost of \$100,997.30. Schneider explained that a company, who will already be doing work on M-82, can come and do the City streets at the same time to save cost and it was more than likely to happen prior to the August Council meeting. Schneider also noted that due to some State changes any expenditures over \$100,000 has to be brought to the governing body for approval. Roll Call: Yeas: Day, Fedell, Hikade, Johnson, Palmiter, Santana, Walerczyk Absent: None Nay: None. CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Andrew Robinson, County Clerk, was present to introduce himself and give some background history. He also discussed some upcoming changes within the clerk's office and took questions from the Council.

Chuck Shick, 233 S. State Street, plead with the Council to do the right thing with The Stream and not continue to drain the City of \$500,000 to keep it running when it brings in minimal revenue.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Day mentioned that some trees at the north end of the bridge need trimming again, they are obstructing/blocking north bound traffic at Croton Road.

Fedell thanked everyone for coming out to the meeting.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 PM.

Mayor – Ed Fedell

Clerk – Kim Biegalle