



## MINUTES

### Regular Meeting of Newaygo City Council

### November 12, 2018

#### 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: Ederer, Fedell, Hikade, Johnson, Santana, Walerczyk  
Absent: Palmiter

Motion by Hikade, support by Santana to excuse absent members. AIF/MC

Motion by Hikade, support by Johnson to approve the amended agenda adding, under New Business, "A-2" Sale of A-Waste to Republic and move letter "H" before letter "B." AIF/MC

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Rachel Yuranski, Headway Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition, stated City has ability to opt out of Proposal 1 by prohibiting recreational marihuana establishments in the City and encourages Council to prohibit recreational marihuana establishments in the City and protect our youth.

Ken Page, owner of A-Waste, thanked Council for last 10 years of business. He stated A-Waste has signed a purchase agreement with Republic and should any transactions occur in November that Republic would honor pricing and A-Waste's bid proposal should they be awarded. Page stated that A-Waste bid was lowest of three submitted to the City.

Katie Grebhardt stated she is a member of Pride of Newaygo County and she and her peers are present to support Headway Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition.

Jordan Ramo asked Council to prohibit recreational marihuana establishments in the City.

Hannah O'Brien asked Council to pass Ordinance to prohibit recreational marihuana establishments in the City.

Gracie Grebhardt asked Council to pass Ordinance to prohibit recreational marihuana establishments in the City.

Chris Walker asked Council to pass Ordinance to ban recreational marihuana establishments in the City.

John VanTholen, from Granger, said he appreciated the opportunity to bid on waste contract for the City residents. He stated their current office is in Grand Rapids and will be relocating to Cedar Springs.

Matt Biolette, from Republic, introduced himself and stated present to answer any questions on garbage contract bid.

Mike Aremtrout, Northland Church Minister, stated he hopes Council will pass Ordinance not allowing recreational marihuana establishments in the City.

Lisa Reed, President of Families against Narcotics, stated she feels marihuana is a stepping stone to opioid addiction and urges City to opt out of recreational marihuana.

Lee Black, 573 Middle Street, encourages Council to opt out of recreational marihuana establishments in the City.

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Walerczyk, support by Santana to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the regular council minutes from 10/08/18 and accounts payable of \$21,839.49, \$8,566.00, \$20,463.00, \$20,450.44, \$12,419.88, \$103,532.80, \$6,209.70, \$3,341.25, and \$64.64 Roll Call: Yeas: Ederer, Fedell, Hikade, Johnson, Santana, Walerczyk Absent: Palmiter Nay: None. CARRIED

## **RESERVED TIME**

Patrick Mutchler of Brickley DeLong presented the City's audit report for fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. He went through the audit book, hit some highlights and stated that they did not find any recommendations for the City. Mutchler stated original budget was very accurate and gave Schneider and City staff credit for hard work put in to the budget.

## **COMMITTEE & BOARD REPORTS**

Scott Faulkner, Economic and Community Development Coordinator, discussed information in packets explaining various NEDO project updates and spoke about next steps for projects.

Jason Wolford, Newaygo Fire Chief, stated they are working on budget.

## **CITY MANAGERS REPORT**

Schneider stated closing for USDA Sewer Bonds, for the sewer project will be on Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup>. He said Scott Faulkner and himself will be traveling to a few similar size towns looking at roads, parking and Walkability. Schneider invited everyone to the Planning Meeting on Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup> as they will be discussing the Master Plan. He said continuing to work with Consumers Energy on relocation of light poles along Quarterline near the new diagonal parking spaces.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS**

Ron Wight, DPW Superintendent, stated that Magna and GM Wood Products are in process of doing footings and things are very busy.

Chief Andres discussed Police Department accomplishments resulting from police survey that was included in packets. She said School Assigned Police Officer Rood and Newaygo High School Principal wrote a grant and received \$107,000 for alarm system and other improvements at Newaygo Public Schools. Chief and Officer Dornbos discussed meeting they attended with Arbor Circle, Mental Health and Randy's House regarding a potential in-home recovery residence being located in Newaygo.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **NEW BUSINESS**

Motion by Hikade, support by Ederer to award refuse bid for the City's residential refuse service to A-Waste. Roll Call: Yeas: Ederer, Fedell, Hikade, Johnson, Santana, Walerczyk Absent: Palmiter Nay: None. CARRIED Fedell stated that three bids were received with A-Waste being the lowest and Republic will honor the bid.

Motion by Ederer, support by Walerczyk to accept transfer of City's residential refuse contract from A-Waste to Republic. AIF/MC

Motion by Walerczyk, support by Ederer to approve Ordinance 18-10 prohibiting Recreational Marijuana Establishments. AIF/MC Board discussed Proposal 1, Ordinance and asked questions which Schneider answered.

Motion by Hikade, support by Walerczyk to approve Non-disclosure agreement (NDA) for repeated use and give City Manager authority to sign agreement. AIF/MC Schneider stated draft NDA had been brought numerous times to past meetings. Board asked questions which Schneider answered.

Motion by Johnson, support by Ederer to approve Resolution 18-34 setting the revised rental fees for the City of Newaygo Parks. AIF/MC

Motion by Ederer, support by Santana to approve Ordinance 18-06 amending the Begging Ordinance. AIF/MC Johnson asked questions which Schneider answered and he will follow up with City attorney regarding possible additions to Ordinance.

Motion by Ederer, support by Walerczyk to approve Ordinance 18-07 regarding camping prohibited rules and regulations. AIF/MC

Motion by Hikade, support by Santana to approve Ordinance 18-08 regarding Trespassing. AIF/MC

Motion by Walerczyk, support by Hikade to approve Ordinance 18-09 regarding Smoking and Vaping being Prohibited; however after discussion and some language changes. New Motion by Hikade, support by Ederer to approve Ordinance 18-09 regarding Smoking and Vaping being prohibited with language change to Section 30-86. AIF/MC

Motion by Ederer, support by Johnson approving Native Circle of Newaygo County's request to use Brooks Park for educational gatherings and a Native American Dance on Saturday, September 21, 2019 and Sunday, September 22, 2019 from 7:30 am to 7:00 pm. AIF/MC

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Kelly Tinkham, Director of Newaygo Library, presented and handed out brochures relating to strategic plan, mission, vision, programs currently offered and future programs.  
Walerczyk stated very excited passed Ordinance 18-10 and excited about large group in attendance. Walerczyk left meeting at 8:37 pm.  
Matt Biolette, Republic, commended Council on passing Ordinance 18-09 relating to smoking.  
Chief thanked Council for passing all Ordinances.  
Lisa Reed thanked Council.  
Lee Black thanked Council for passing Ordinance 18-10 and appreciates Council's work.

**COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Fedell stated that Garfield Township had passed an emergency moratorium related to recreational marihuana and Brooks Township meeting is next week.  
Johnson commended teenagers from Newaygo Pride for coming to meeting and giving their opinions on recreational marihuana.  
Santana thanked Schneider for auditor comments and thanked Chief for doing work ahead of time related to marihuana. He stated developments in housing are great and very happy Ordinance 18-10 passed.  
Ederer thanked Johnson for questions, thanked public for coming to meeting and thanked Chief, Mayor and Schneider for working out the language on Ordinance 18-09.  
Hikade said Chief and Officer Dornbos deserve Ordinance 18-10. He said meant a lot to have teenagers and everyone present at the meeting.  
Fedell stated that Bella, the Police Department K-9, may be one of the most valuable K-9's as she was not trained in marihuana.  
Schneider discussed training opportunity for Council that was included in packets. He said Christmas decorations would be going up soon. Schneider thanked Council for putting community first by prohibiting recreational marihuana establishments.  
Biegalle gave an update on Election and said everything went very smoothly. Goodin did excellent job on Election.

Motion by Hikade, support by Santana to adjourn the meeting. AIF/MC

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 PM.

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Mayor – Ed Fedell

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Clerk – Kim Biegalle