



MINUTES
Regular Meeting of Newaygo City Council
January 10, 2022

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fedell called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM. The meeting was held at City Hall located at 28 N. State Road, Newaygo, MI 49337.

Presiding officer: Mayor Fedell

Secretary: Clerk, Kim Goodin

Roll Call: Present: Black, Burns, Engemann (arrived at 7:09 pm), Fedell, Johnson, Walerczyk
Absent: Ederer

Motion by Burns, second by Black to excuse absent members. AIF/MC

Motion by Burns, second by Johnson to approve the agenda as presented. AIF/MC

PUBLIC COMMENTS

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Black, second by Walerczyk to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the council regular meeting minutes from 12/13/2021 and accounts payable of \$25,374.46, \$953,760.83, \$2,400.05, \$28,565.61, \$54,109.06 and \$220.07. Roll Call: Yeas: Black, Burns, Fedell, Johnson, Walerczyk Absent: Ederer, Engemann Nay: None.
CARRIED

RESERVED TIME

COMMITTEE & BOARD REPORTS

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Schneider updated Council on a citizen complaint that was received relating to piling the snow in the South parking lot along the wall below the school terrace. The citizen stated that the location of the snow piles does not allow individuals to utilize the sidewalk along the wall. Schneider stated that he discussed alternate sidewalk routes in the area with the citizen, but the citizen was unhappy with those suggestions. Council and Schneider discussed alternate sidewalk routes and not having any where else to pile the snow. Schneider said that when the snow reaches a certain height they contract with a vendor to have the snow removed. Schneider gave an update on Elected Officials Training opportunity and discussed project updates related to River Run Apartments and the Social District. He stated that a punch list of tasks still needing to be complete, on the M37 Rehab Project, was sent to MDOT. Schneider and Council discussed Electric Vehicles and Schneider said that Electric Charging Stations may need to be looked at in the future. A Council Member stated that he had received some complaints related to M37 markings at the North light by Croton Road and Fedell and Schneider recommend that the citizens should contact MDOT at the Cadillac Office.

Engemann arrived at 7:09 pm

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Ron Wight, DPW Superintendent, said that he has been working on a list of extra tasks that the DPW Department did for the M37 Rehab Project and that they will be invoicing MDOT for these tasks. He discussed a watermain break that they have been dealing with adjacent to River St.

Chief Andres said that the Bi-Annual School Assigned Police Officer Report was included in the packets. She stated that Vaping occurrences, at the school, are way down because Officer Rood has done a lot of enforcement with Vaping. She stated that they are waiting on clearance rates from MICR. Chief discussed a meeting held with Croton Township and Brooks Township relating to Code Enforcement and said she hopes to have a contract ready to bring to the February Council Meeting.

BOARD BUSINESS

Motion by Engemann, second by Burns to approve 2022 Council Committee Appointments. AIF/MC

Motion by Black, second by Burns to approve Resolution 2022-01 appointing Lee Ann Clor to the PSD Board.

AIF/MC Schneider stated that Lee Ann and her husband have been planting all the flowers, maintaining the flowers and doing a lot of the landscaping in the downtown for many years. Council discussed some type of formal recognition for the Clors.

Motion by Walerczyk, second by Engemann to approve Marshall Run on September 3, 2022. AIF/MC

Schneider stated that the budget reflects six months of activity and discussed some highlights. He explained some revenues and expenditures and said that overall the budget is right where it should be.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS.

Walerczyk inquired if Schneider had any updates on vacant building, in front of Leppinks, that was formerly a Chinese Restaurant. Schneider said that he has not heard anything.

Goodin stated that the City has a new phone system and discussed steps to reach a specific extension.

Schneider discussed the new phone system, said that a part-time DPW employee would be transitioning to a full-time employee in the coming months. He discussed the potential shifting of job duties and a potential position for Economic Development and Zoning.

Motion by Walerczyk, second by Burns to adjourn the meeting. AIF/MC

Meeting adjourned at 8:09 PM.

Mayor – Ed Fedell

Clerk – Kim Goodin