

CITY OF GRAYLING
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Monday, February 10, 2020

I. Meeting called to order by Mayor Forbes at 6:30 P.M.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

III. Roll Call

Members Present: Karl Schreiner, Kimberly Kersey, Clinton Ross, Roger Moshier and Heather Forbes

Members Absent: None

Vacant Seats: None

Also, in Attendance: Lisa Johnson, City Clerk/Treasurer, Chelsea Goodwin, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer, Erich Podjaske, Zoning Officer, Amanda Clough, Deputy Chief of Police, Carl Yost, Officer Grosberg, F.W Fabian, Matt and Christine LaFontaine.

IV. Public Comment

None

V. Approval of Agenda

Mayor Forbes asked that item J. be added under new business: Resignation letter from Heather Ferrigan from the Park and Rec. Board

20-17

Moved by Ross seconded by Moshier to approve the agenda with the additions of item J. be added under new business: Resignation letter from Heather Ferrigan from the Park and Rec. Board

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant 0, Motion Carried

VI. Approval of Consent Agenda

20-18

Moved by Schreiner seconded by Kersey to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant 0, Motion Carried

VII. City Manager's Report

City Manager Baum was not in attendance due to a family emergency.

Mayor Forbes asked that if members had questions on his report to get with the City Manager once he is back in the office.

Member Schreiner asked since Deputy Clough was present if she could explain the Child Assessment Center since some members may not understand what they do.

Deputy Clough explained.

General discussion took place.

VIII. Mainstreet Managers Report

MainStreet Manager handed out the annual review, she mentioned Blizzard Fest went well and that the next board meeting was on Thursday morning at 9 am.

IX. Project Updates

Members had no questions

X. Unfinished Business

A. City Managers Review - Draft

Mayor Forbes explained that her and the city clerk/treasurer worked with the city attorney on this and felt this would be a better way to review, since no one understood why there was a number rating.

Members were comfortable with the updated review.

20-19

Moved by Schreiner seconded by Ross to approve the revised city managers review as presented.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant 0, Motion Carried

B. Recycling – Tabled

C. Charter Revision - Tabled

City Clerk/Treasurer Johnson explained that the city is currently working on these items and will bring them back once everything is in order on these, to then discuss with council.

XI. New Business

A. Snow Removal Ballot Wording to be placed on the August 4, 2020 ballot

City Clerk/Treasurer Johnson explained.

20-20

A. Moved by Schreiner seconded by Moshier to approve the Snow Removal Ballot Wording to be placed on the August 4, 2020 ballot as presented.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant 0, Motion Carries.

B. Revised City Park Rules

20-21

Moved by Moshier seconded by Schreiner to approve the revised City Park Rules as presented.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant 0, Motion Carried

C. DPW Service Fee Policy

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Goodwin explained how not often, but occasionally residents call repeatedly about the same issue and it isn't a city issue or repair. And that the guys go above and beyond to help residents and feels when this happens, they should pay a fee.

20-22

Moved by Ross seconded by Schreiner to approve Service Fee Policy as presented.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant 0, Motion Carries.

D. State of Michigan Local Government Approval from MI Brew

Gosling explained that this was needed for them to apply for a class C through the DDA Redevelopment program and it is a nontransferable license.

20-23

**Moved by Schreiner seconded by Forbes to approve the State of Michigan Local Government Approval from MI Brew for a Class C license.
as presented.**

Member Moshier asked why it doesn't have the owners name on the form.

Gosling explained that its not issued to the owner.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant 0, Motion Carries.

E. Budget Amendments

City Clerk/Treasurer Johnson asked if there were any questions and mentioned she put side notes to hopefully explain why the amendment was needed.

Member Kersey said that it helped her understand it better because there were detailed notes.

20-24

Moved by Schreiner seconded by Kersey to approve the budget amendments as presented.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant 0, Motion Carries.

F. Letter of Support

Fred Fabian with Northern Michigan Limited Dividend Housing Association, LLC explained why they were asking for a letter of support for the MSHDA Mod Program. Members asked general questions on the project.

20-25

Moved by Kersey seconded by Schreiner to support a letter of support to be drafted to the State Housing Initiatives Division.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant 0, Motion Carries.

G. Sale of property in the City Industrial Park to Clark Logic

Economic Development Officer/Zoning Officer Podjaske explained the proposal he received and that they were asking to purchase 36.94 Acres located north of the sewer ponds. The request is to sell the property for the price of 1 acre \$6,497 and also to approve an Industrial Facilities Exemption (IFT) which would cut the millage rate in half for 12 years. Podjaske mentioned that the first phase would create up to 100 jobs. He then mentioned that he felt if approved that council should put stipulations in the purchase agreement that if they do not start phase one in two years the property reverts back to the city and if phase two does not start in four years it reverts back to the city.

Members had general discussion.

Member Schreiner thought the city should propose a sale price of \$10,000.

Mayor Forbes asked that if a motion is made the council should give Podjaske a rage to work with on a selling price.

20-26

Moved by Forbes seconded by Schreiner to approve Podjaske to sell the property starting with an counter of \$10,000 but no less than \$6,497 and to approve a Industrial Facilities Exemption (IFT) for 12 years and stipulations in the purchase agreement that if they do not start phase one in two years the property reverts back to the city and if phase two does not start in four years it reverts back to the city.

Member Moshier asked about the property another business was looking at in the industrial park and asked if this property affected that location.

Podjaske said no, that property is located across the road from this location.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant 0, Motion Carries.

H. Confirm Mayors reappointment of Mary Varty to the Compensation Commission

20-27

Moved by Schreiner seconded by Moshier to confirm the reappointment of Mary Varty to the Compensation Commission.

Member Kersey asked if all board positions were filled.

City Clerk/Treasurer Johnson said no, there are actually 8 open positions with in the different boards and commissions.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant 0, Motion Carries.

I. City Councils reappointment of Joe Wakeley to the Income Tax Board of Review.

20-28

Moved by Mosher seconded by Forbes to reappoint Joe Wakeley to the Income Tax Board of Review.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant 0, Motion Carries.

J. Accept Heather Ferrigan's resignation from the Park and Rec. Board.

20-29

Moved by Forbes seconded by Kersey to accept Heather Ferrigan's resignation from the Park and Rec. Board.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant 0, Motion Carries.

XII. Reports

Members had no questions

XIII. Public Comment

None

XIV. Council Member Comments

Member Schreiner handed out a copy of the Gazette and asked all to review the last two pages on the upcoming millage proposal to build a new Crawford County Commission on Aging & Senior Center building.

Member Ross asked if this location was in the City

Member Schreiner said no, just outside the city limits in Grayling Township.

Member Moshier mentioned he saw a City Officer issuing a ticket to a vehicle parked on the wrong side of the road and was happy to see that. He also mentioned he noticed the water bill due date was changed from the 15th since it was on a Saturday to the 17th of February, but that is a City Holiday.

Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Goodwin said she had all things posted on the calendars for the 18th. She would have to look at the bills.

City Clerk/Treasurer mentioned that if this happens, we always give them the next day to pay without penalties.

Member Moshier also asked what was going on with the food court.

Gosling mentioned the property had been sold, and they will be moving forward with the project as far as she knows.

Member Kersey mentioned hearing rumors around town that she was speaking ill of Gosling and she wanted to clear this up. She has not and wanted to clear the air on that publicly.

Mayor Forbes asked on setting up a separate Skate Park Committee, so it is not in the Parks and Rec. committee.

XV. Correspondence

Letter from Brian & Shawn Burrell

XVI. Adjournment

20-30

Moved by Moshier seconded Kersey that the meeting is adjourned.

Ayes: 5, Nays: 0, Abstain: 0, Absent: 0, Vacant 0, Motion Carried

Mayor Forbes adjourned the meeting at 7:42 pm.

Lisa K Johnson,

City Clerk/Treasurer

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