

**City of Marine City
City Commission
February 7, 2019**

A regular meeting of the Marine City Commission was held on Thursday, February 7, 2019 in the Fire Hall, 200 South Parker Street, Marine City, Michigan, and was called to order by Mayor Vandebossche at 7:00 pm.

After a moment of silence, the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Vandebossche.

Present: Mayor Dave Vandebossche; Commissioners Jacob Bryson, Elizabeth Hendrick, Wendy Kellehan, William Klaassen, Paul Merchant, Cheryl Vercammen; City Clerk Kristen Baxter

Also in Attendance: City Attorney Robert Davis

Absent: City Manager Elaine Leven

Communications

Received:

- 2018 Storm Water Permit Program
- Historical Commission Meeting Minutes – August 21, 2018
- Pension Board Meeting Minutes – October 30, 2018
- Retiree Health Care Meeting Minutes – October 30, 2018
- Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – December 10, 2018
- TIFA Board Meeting Minutes – December 11, 2018
- Sewer Rate Computation for Cottrellville Township – Year ending June 30, 2018
- Sewer Rate Computation Estimate for Cottrellville Township – Year ending June 30, 2019

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to receive the Communications. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Public Comment

Joe Moran, 710 Pleasant, made points of discussion for and against the sale of recreational marijuana in Marine City. He asked what it was going to cost the city to regulate it.

Erika DeLange, Laura Scaccia, and Curtis McBride of the Marine City Area Chamber of Commerce, congratulated the City of Marine City on being chosen as the Spotlight Member of the Month.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Kellehan, seconded by Commissioner Merchant, to approve the Agenda. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Merchant, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to approve the City Commission Meeting Minutes of January 17, 2019. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Presented:

- Business License – Ela's Country Oven
- Charitable Gaming License – Historical Society

Motion by Commissioner Merchant, seconded by Commissioner Kellehan, to accept the Consent Agenda and file.

Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Vandenbossche, Bryson, Hendrick, Kellehan, Klaassen, Merchant, Vercammen

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mosaic Project

City Attorney Davis reported that several additions were added to the Installation and Maintenance Agreement that would be beneficial to all parties and said the agreement had been approved by the Historical Society. Mr. Davis recommended that the City Commission approve the agreement and have it in place before the mosaics were installed.

Motion by Commissioner Bryson, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to approve the Mosaic Installation and Maintenance Agreement.

Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Vandenbossche, Bryson, Hendrick, Kellehan, Klaassen, Merchant, Vercammen

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Second Reading/Adoption of Ordinances

- 1) Ordinance No. 2019-001 – General City Ordinance – Merchandise & Materials of Sidewalks; Traffic & Motor Vehicles; Parking & Storage of Commercial Vehicles; Health & Sanitation; Nuisances; Grass Cutting; Building Regulations; Construction

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Kellehan, to approve the adoption of Ordinance No. 2019-001.

Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Vandenbossche, Bryson, Hendrick, Kellehan, Klaassen, Merchant, Vercammen

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

- 2) Ordinance No. 2019-02 – Zoning Ordinance with Miscellaneous Changes Including May Amendment

Motion by Commissioner Bryson, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to approve the adoption of Ordinance No. 2019-002.

Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Vandenbossche, Bryson, Hendrick, Kellehan, Klaassen, Merchant, Vercammen

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Body Cameras & In-Car Cameras

Police Chief Heaslip requested the waiving of the competitive bidding process for the purchase of three Getac in-car cameras and six Getac body cameras. He reported that their current in-car system (L-3 Mobile Vision) was end of life and would no longer support upgrades and maintenance.

He noted that the body cameras were part of a St. Clair County Grant and that they would be reimbursed \$3,196.00 for the purchase. Due to a reoccurring cost for annual storage fluctuating each year, Chief Heaslip stated that body cameras were beneficial but he was leery of the legacy storage costs.

Mayor Vandebossche inquired if a policy had been written for the body cameras.

Chief Heaslip responded that he was waiting to see what camera he was going to purchase before writing the policy. He also stated that local agencies were going to collaborate to develop a policy to be used Countywide.

Due to the uncertainty of storage costs for the body cameras, the Board elected to wait for more information before moving forward.

Motion by Commissioner Kellehan, seconded by Commissioner Hendrick, to waive the competitive bidding for the purchase of three Getac in-car cameras.

Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Vandebossche, Bryson, Hendrick, Kellehan, Klaassen, Merchant, Vercammen

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner Kellehan, seconded by Commissioner Hendrick, to approve the purchase of three Getac in-car cameras with the cost not to exceed \$20,000. Final costs to be ratified by another vote at the February 21, 2019 meeting.

Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Vandebossche, Bryson, Hendrick, Kellehan, Klaassen, Merchant, Vercammen

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Recreational Marijuana – Discussion

City Attorney Davis stated that this was put before the Board as a Zoning issue. He explained that the State of Michigan had cast their vote and had presented legislation that would not be fulfilled until December, 2019. In the meantime, he recommended taking action in one of two ways:

- 1) Directing Planning Commission to look at the issue and study and develop Ordinances to address potential uses; or
- 2) Pass an Ordinance affirmatively that rejects all of the uses in Marine City

City Attorney Davis explained that the City could prohibit while having the Planning Commission studying the Ordinance.

A prohibiting Ordinance to be brought to the February 21, 2019 meeting for consideration by the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. 001-2019 – Northeastern, Belle & Anchor Bay Watersheds 2019 Budget

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Bryson, to adopt Resolution No. 001-2019 Northeastern, Belle & Anchor Bay Watersheds 2019 Budget.

Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Vandenbossche, Bryson, Hendrick, Kellehan, Klaassen, Merchant, Vercammen

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Parks Plan

In a memorandum to the City Commission, City Manager Leven made a recommendation to task the Planning Commission with the Parks Plan and said it could benefit from more detail such as a full inventory of items in the parks, as well as how to further develop each. She noted that thought be given to what the intended use of each park was and what might be beneficial additions to each.

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to send the Parks Planning to the Planning Commission and pass a moratorium on placing additional items in the park, exempting any City capital improvement projects. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Pension Ordinance No. 2019-003 – Introduction & 1st Reading

Motion by Commissioner Bryson, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to approve the introduction and first reading of Ordinance No. 2019-003.

Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Vandenbossche, Bryson, Hendrick, Kellehan, Klaassen, Merchant, Vercammen

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

FINANCIAL BUSINESS

Disbursements

Motion by Commissioner Kellehan, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to approve total disbursements, including payroll, in the amount of \$576,839.23.

Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Vandenbossche, Bryson, Hendrick, Kellehan, Klaassen, Merchant, Vercammen

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Fund Transfer Resolutions

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Kellehan, to approve Resolution No. 002-2019 which would transfer \$4,000 from the General Fund to the Water/Sewer Fund.

Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Vandenbossche, Bryson, Hendrick, Kellehan, Klaassen, Merchant, Vercammen

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner Kellehan, seconded by Commissioner Merchant, to approve Resolution No. 003-2019 which would transfer \$10,000 from the General Fund to the Water/Sewer Fund.

Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Vandenbossche, Bryson, Hendrick, Kellehan, Klaassen, Merchant, Vercammen

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Leven was not in attendance at the meeting due to attending a conference.

COMMISSIONER PRIVILEGE

Commissioner Vercammen announced a Blueways of St. Clair meeting on February 20th at 3:00 pm at the Marine City Library and asked people to come out and support our local waterways and trail system. She also stated that she supported a great group of bicyclists, Warm Showers, who travel through Marine City.

Commissioner Merchant commented that he was impressed with how the First Impressions meeting was presented and was encouraged by information they gave out. He said that he hoped that more of the community had attended to see and understand what Marine City had to offer.

Commissioner Klaassen said Marine City was being targeted for not opting out of Recreational Marijuana and said the Board needed to do what was best for the community.

Commissioner Kellehan congratulated the City on being Spotlight Member of the Month and said it was due to receiving such good feedback from the panelist of First Impressions. She announced that the Chamber was now in its permanent location with a new sign and hours.

Commissioner Hendrick announced the Wild Game Dinner on Monday night at the Lion's Club. She also asked City Attorney Davis about the Emterra Contract.

Mayor Vandenbossche thanked everyone who attended the Fireman's Ball. He also announced a meeting with East China on flooding issues.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Vercammen, to adjourn at 8:12 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Baxter

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City Clerk