

**City of Marine City  
City Commission  
April 4, 2019**

A regular meeting of the Marine City Commission was held on Thursday, April 4, 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 Manager Elaine Leven, City Clerk Kristen Baxter**

**Also in Attendance: City Attorney Robert Davis**

**Absent: None**

**Communications**

Received:

- Cross Connections Basics Course – Aaron Atkinson
- Corrosion and Scale Basics Course – Aaron Atkinson
- Basic Cross Connection Course – Daniel DeGueisippe
- Cross Connection Basics Course – Michael Itrich
- Corrosion and Scale Basics Course – Michael Itrich
- Basic Cross Connection Course – Michael Itrich

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

**Public Comment**

Bill Haas, 203 Pleasant, congratulated the Marine City Girls Soccer team on their recent win, commented on parking in the City, and the school district.

Erin Doetsch representing River Rec Teen Zone, invited everyone to Global Youth Service Day on April 13, 2019 from 12:00 – 4:00 pm.

Laura Scaccia of the Mariner Theatre, and Erika DeLange of the Chamber of Commerce, announced that the City had been awarded the Guinness World Record for the longest popcorn string on October 15, 2016.

### **APPROVE AGENDA**

Motion by Commissioner Vercammen, seconded by Commissioner Bryson, 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 March 21, 2019. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

None.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### ***Strategic Planning Results***

A final document of the Marine City Commission 2019-2021 Goals and Priorities was provided by Dave Struck of the St. Clair County Metropolitan Planning Commission for consideration by the Board for adoption. The list was comprised of the four top goals with fifteen prominent priorities that were all reoccurring items discussed during the planning meeting with representatives from the County, City Commission, and Department Heads.

Motion by Commissioner Kellehan, seconded by Commissioner Bryson, to adopt the Marine City Commission 2019-2021 Goals and Priorities, as presented. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

#### ***Board Vacancies***

Mayor Vandebossche announced the following Board vacancies:

- Historical Commission – 1 vacancy
- TIFA Board – 1 vacancy
- Dangerous Building Board – 1 vacancy for a Building Contractor
- Library Board – 1 vacancy

He stated that applications were due to the City Clerk by Monday, April 29, 2019.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### ***Beach Volleyball League***

City Manager Leven stated that she had received a request for use of the sand volleyball court in Lighthouse Park for a Marine City Beach Volleyball League.

Bobby Wilson, 824 Robertson, explained that the MC Beach Volleyball League would be open to high school age kids only and said he had also received interest from neighboring communities.

Commissioner Vercammen suggested the use of signage stating when the courts would be in use for the leagues.

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Vercammen, to approve the Marine City Beach Volleyball League. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

### ***Local Pavement Warranty Program:***

City Manager Leven explained that the Local Pavement Warranty Program must be adopted by every community that utilizes State or Federal funding that includes \$2,000,000 or more in paving-related components.

### ***Resolution No. 011-2019 – Adopt a Local Pavement Warranty Program***

Motion by Commissioner Bryson, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to approve Resolution No. 011-2019 – Adopt a Local Pavement Warranty Program.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

### ***Resolution No. 012-2019 – Implement a Local Pavement Warranty Program***

Motion by Commissioner Bryson, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to approve Resolution No. 012-2019 – Implement a Local Pavement Warranty Program.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

### ***Chlorine Tank Cleaning***

DPW Superintendent Itrich reported that had had received a quote from ML Chartier, Inc. in the amount of \$5,565.00 to have the chlorine tank at the Waste Water Treatment Plant cleaned, and the hazardous waste liquid and wash water hauled away. He recommended that the City contract with ML Chartier, Inc. to perform the work as soon as possible to get the tank back in service.

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Bryson, to waive the competitive bidding for the cleaning of the chlorine tank.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to contract with ML Chartier, Inc. in the amount of \$5,565.00 for the cleaning of the chlorine tank and removal of hazardous waste and wash water.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

### ***Salt Purchase***

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Bryson, to waive the competitive bidding for the 2019/2020 salt order.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

***Ordinance No. 2019-005 – Fireworks – Introduction/1<sup>st</sup> Reading***

City Manager Leven reported that the ordinance amendment was necessary to bring it into compliance with State law.

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Kellehan, to approve the introduction of Ordinance No. 2019-005 – Fireworks.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

**FINANCIAL BUSINESS**

***Disbursements***

Motion by Commissioner Bryson, seconded by Commissioner Vercammen, to approve total disbursements, including payroll, in the amount of \$161,282.56.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

**CITY MANAGER REPORT**

City Manager Leven reported on the following:

- Attended the following meetings: State of the County, Broadband Committee.
- Held a Department Head meeting.
- Had meetings with DTE, MERS, Friends of City Hall, TetraTech, Paul Gallis, Phil Perkowski, Tom & Kathy Vertin (MEDC and EDA).
- Ordering wayfinding signs next week, should take about 30 days for delivery. The ferry portion will be covered up anticipating its return.
- Plans are in place to do the remaining two sidewalk sections this year. Will be brought before the Board for price approval.

## **COMMISSIONER PRIVILEGE**

Commissioner Vercammen reported that she had attended the State of the County meeting where they spoke about the Great Lakes. She said she was looking forward to a beautiful season of boating and reminded people of the new boating laws.

Commissioner Hendrick shared the news that Jimmy Downey came in 6<sup>th</sup> place in the State Geographic Bee.

Commissioner Bryson responded to comments on new boating laws and wanted boaters to be aware that if the Coast Guard boarded their boat and found marijuana, they would be ticketed.

Mayor Vandenbossche commented on the upcoming nice weather and said he hoped everyone had the opportunity to get out and enjoy it.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Kellehan, to enter into Closed Session at 7:35 pm to Review Legal Opinion Regarding the Distribution of Handbills – MCL 15.268 (h), and to Review Legal Opinion Regarding Consideration of the Purchase or Lease of Real Property – MCL 15.268 (d).

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried

## **OPEN SESSION**

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to go back into Open Session at 8:16 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Kellehan, to direct the City Attorney to draft an ordinance regulating handbills, as discussed in Closed Session. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner Vercammen, seconded by Commissioner Bryson, to proceed with the execution of the purchase agreement for 500 Chartier Street, as discussed in Closed Session.

Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Vandenbossche, Bryson, Kellehan, Merchant, Vercammen

Nays: Hendrick, Klaassen

Motion Carried.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to adjourn at 8:19 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Baxter  
City Clerk