

**City of Marine City
City Commission
April 18, 2019**

A regular meeting of the Marine City Commission was held on Thursday, April 18, 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, William Klaassen, Paul Merchant, Cheryl Vercammen; City Manager Elaine Leven, City Clerk Kristen Baxter

Absent: Commissioner Wendy Kellehan

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Vercammen, to excuse Commissioner Kellehan from the meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Communications

Received:

- Departmental Activity Reports
- MCAFA Run Report
- Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – March 11, 2019
- 2018 Millage Rate Comparison

Motion by Commissioner Bryson, seconded by Commissioner Merchant, to receive the Communications. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Public Comment

None.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Vercammen, to add the following to the Agenda:

Item #14-C Closed Session: To Consider the Purchase or Lease of Real Property

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Bryson, to approve the Agenda, as amended. All Ayes. Motion Carried

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to approve the City Commission Meeting Minutes of April 4, 2019. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Bryson, to approve the Closed Session Meeting Minutes of April 4, 2019. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Ordinance No. 2019-005 – Fireworks – Adoption/2nd Reading

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

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Parks Plan

Motion by Commissioner Bryson, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen to receive and file the Parks Plan. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Friends of City Hall – Waive Tap Fees

Judy White, President of Friends of City Hall, asked for a tap fee in the amount of \$6,250 to be waived for a fire suppression system at 300 Broadway. She said in order to supply the necessary water flow and pressure, a six inch diameter pipe must be installed.

Motion by Commissioner Vercammen, seconded by Commissioner Bryson, to approve waiving tap fees at 300 Broadway in the amount of \$6,250.

Roll Call Vote.

Ayes: Vandenbossche, Bryson, Vercammen

Nays: Hendrick, Klaassen, Merchant

Motion Failed.

Little League Field Improvements

Kyle Adams, President of Marine City Little League, provided a proposal and sketches for upgrades to the King Road baseball fields. The upgrades included an addition to the concession stand/shed, the addition of two dugouts at the T-ball and 6-8 U fields, removal of the dirt berm for safety issues, and continuation of the fencing on the T-ball field.

Mr. Adams said the improvements would be funded by the Marine City Little League budget, including all labor and material costs.

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to approve the Marine City Little League proposal, contingent upon the approval of the Department of Public Works. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Request for Proposals – Engineering Services

Motion by Commissioner Bryson, seconded by Commissioner Vercammen, to approve and proceed with the Request for Proposals for Contract Operation, Management and Maintenance of the City's Water and Wastewater Treatment Facilities and Sewage Pumping Station. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Set Public Hearing Date for 2019-2020 Budget

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Merchant, to set the Public Hearing Date for the 2019-2020 Budget as May 16, 2019. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Crack Sealant – Waive Competitive Bidding

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Bryson, to waive the competitive bidding for the 2019 Crack Sealant Program.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to contract with the National Highway Maintenance Systems (NHMS) for the purchase of crack sealant, not to exceed the budgeted amount.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

FINANCIAL BUSINESS

Disbursements

Motion by Commissioner Vercammen, seconded by Commissioner Bryson, to approve total disbursements, including payroll, in the amount of \$213,435.86.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Leven reported on the following:

- Attended TIFA and Fire Authority
- Thanks to employee Michele Goodrich, the City passed the first phase for a parklet grant. The parklet would be located in front of the Department of Public Works.

COMMISSIONER PRIVILEGE

Commissioner Vercammen announced the May 7th Special Election and encouraged people to vote absentee. She also advised that park benches were available for purchase to place in the City.

Commissioner Klaassen replied to Commissioner Vercammen's comment, saying that the First Impressions Study showed that more park benches were needed downtown.

Mayor Vandenbossche announced the passing of one of the City's fathers this week, Jim Beattie, and asked everyone to cast their vote on May 7th.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to enter into Closed Session at 7:35 pm to discuss Strategy Connected with the Negotiation of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with Employees Represented by the Teamsters Union 214 – MCL 15.268 (c), discuss Strategy Connected with the Negotiation of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with Employees Represented by the Police Officers Association of Michigan (POAM) MCL 15.268 (c), and to Consider the Purchase or Lease of Real Property – MCL 15.268 (d).

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried

OPEN SESSION

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Merchant, to go back into Open Session at 8:15 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to proceed with the Teamsters Union as discussed in Closed Session. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner Bryson, seconded by Commissioner Hendrick, to proceed with the POAM as discussed in Closed Session. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Bryson, to proceed with the Purchase or Lease of Real Property as discussed in Closed Session. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to adjourn at 8:20 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Baxter

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City Clerk