

**City of Marine City
City Commission
May 16, 2019**

A regular meeting of the Marine City Commission was held on Thursday, May 16, 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

Communications

Received:

- Departmental Activity Reports
- MCAFA Run Report
- Pension Board Meeting Minutes – January 29, 2019
- Pension Board Retiree Health Care Meeting Minutes – January 29, 2019

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

Public Comment

None.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to approve the Agenda with the following addition:

Item #8-D Consent Agenda: Special Event – 12th Annual Beautify MC & Flower Sale

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Commissioner Vercammen, seconded by Commissioner Kellehan, to approve the following minutes:

- City Commission Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes of April 23, 2019
- City Commission Budget Workshop Meeting Minutes of April 24, 2019
- City Commission Special Meeting Minutes of April 24, 2019
- Closed Session Meeting Minutes of April 24, 2019
- City Commission Meeting Minutes of May 2, 2019
- Closed Session Meeting Minutes of May 2, 2019

All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Presented:

- Business License – Dry Dock Store, Inc.
- Business License – EHE Recycling
- Business License – Rise Fitness LLC (New Location)
- Special Event – 12th Annual Beautify MC & Flower Sale

Motion by Commissioner Bryson, seconded by Commissioner Merchant, to approve the Consent Agenda.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Proposed 2019-2020 Budget

Mayor Vandenbossche opened the Public Hearing to receive public comments for and against the proposed 2019/2020 Budget at 7:05 pm.

No one in the audience addressed the Board. Mayor Vandenbossche closed the Public Hearing at 7:06 pm.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council on Aging

A letter that was received from the Council on Aging/Washington Life Center requesting financial assistance to help them defray their expenses had been tabled at the May 2, 2019 meeting due to the Board requesting information on what other communities may be contributing.

City Manager Leven reported that about half of the local communities contributed to Council on Aging/Washington Life Center.

Motion by Mayor Vandebossche, seconded by Commissioner Bryson, to provide a \$500 donation to the Council on Aging/Washington Life Center.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Board Appointment

Library Board – 1 vacancy

Applications were received from the following:

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| Raymond Skwiers | 211 Michigan |
| Louise Beutell | 535 N. Main Street |

Motion by Commissioner Vercammen, seconded by Commissioner Kellehan, to appoint Louise Beutell to the Library Board for a term ending June 30, 2021. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Ordinance No. 2019-006 – Handbills – 2nd Reading/Adoption

Motion by Commissioner Bryson, seconded by Commissioner Merchant, to adopt Ordinance No. 2019-006 – Handbills.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution No. 013-2019 – 2019/2020 Fiscal Year Budget

Motion by Commissioner Bryson, seconded by Commissioner Kellehan, to approve Resolution No. 013-2019 to adopt Fiscal Year 2019/2020 Budget.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: Hendrick

Motion Carried.

Fee Schedule

Motion by Commissioner Kellehan, seconded by Commissioner Bryson, to approve the Fee Schedule update, effective July 1, 2019.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: Hendrick

Motion Carried.

Ordinance No. 2019-007 Water & Sewer Rates – 1st Reading/Introduction

Motion by Commissioner Bryson, seconded by Commissioner Merchant, to approve the introduction of Ordinance No. 2019-007 that amends Section 8 of Ordinance No. 57 relating to Water and Sewer Rates.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: Hendrick

Motion Carried

Ordinance No. 2019-008 Community & Economic Development Board – 1st Reading/Introduction

Motion by Commissioner Bryson, seconded by Commissioner Hendrick, to approve the introduction of Ordinance No. 2019-008 Community & Economic Development Board.

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: Vandebossche

Motion Carried.

Meeting Cancellation – July 4, 2019

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Merchant, to cancel the July 4, 2019 City Commission meeting. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

FINANCIAL BUSINESS

Disbursements

Motion by Commissioner Kellehan, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to approve total disbursements, including payroll, in the amount of \$288,970.37

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried.

Preliminary Financial Statements

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Klaassen, to accept the Preliminary Financial Statements and place them on file. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Leven reported on the following:

- Attended the following meetings: SCCOTS, Planning Commission
- We will be redoing the Pension election
- We did not get the Category B Grant funding for roads
- Working towards a tentative closing date of June 11th on property

- Received notice today that Elizabeth Desmarais is leaving – opportunity to restructure positions. Planned on policy/procedure handbook next meeting, I would like to delay that until new classifications are put together
- Thanked Elizabeth for 8 years of service and wished her the best

COMMISSIONER PRIVILEGE

Commissioner Vercammen announced the following events: 12th Annual Beautify MC & Flower Sale to be held at 300 Broadway on May 17 & 18, Blueways of St. Clair Kayak and Canoe Paddle on May 29, and live broadcast of the Frank Beckman show at the Inn on Water Street on May 17.

Commissioner Merchant thanked everyone who attended the Rotary Flower Sale over the past weekend. He announced the passing of Pat Babchek and asked for prayers for the Babchek family.

Commissioner Klaassen thanked everyone who bought flowers at the Rotary Flower Sale.

Commissioner Kellehan commented that more people were out walking the streets with the nice weather and asked for drivers to be aware and keep an eye out for them.

Commissioner Hendrick announced the Lion's Club Craft Show and Bake Sale to be held on May 18.

Mayor Vandenbossche announced the possibility of flood waters and urged people to prepare in advance. He asked for anyone wanting to hold an event on City property to get their Special Event requests in early. He also said he hoped everyone could attend the upcoming Memorial Day Parade.

CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Commissioner Kellehan, seconded by Commissioner Vercammen, to enter into Closed Session at 7:33 pm to 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).

Roll Call Vote.

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

Nays: None

Motion Carried

OPEN SESSION

Motion by Commissioner Merchant, seconded by Commissioner Hendrick, to go back into Open Session at 7:42 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Commissioner Kellehan, seconded by Commissioner Vercammen, to adopt the strategy as discussed in Closed Session. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Commissioner Hendrick, seconded by Commissioner Merchant, to adjourn at 7:44 pm. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Kristen Baxter

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City Clerk