



**CITY OF WALLED LAKE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MAY 1, 2012**

The Meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Roberts.

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Roberts.

Invocation led by Council Member Ambrose.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Roberts, Council Member Ambrose, Council Member Owsinek, Council Member Robertson, Council Member Yezbick

ABSENT: Mayor Pro Tem Ackley, Council Member Sturgeon

There being a quorum present, the meeting was declared in session.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Whitt, Deputy Clerk Williams, Deputy Treasurer Stuart, Police Chief Shakinis and City Attorney Vanerian

CM 05-01-12 EXCUSE MAYOR PRO TEM ACKLEY AND COUNCIL MEMBER STURGEON FROM THIS MEETING

Motion by Ambrose, seconded by Owsinek, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To excuse Mayor Pro Tem Ackley and Council Member Sturgeon from this meeting.

REQUESTS FOR AGENDA CHANGES: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

CM 05-02-12 APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 17, 2012 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES AND THE MARCH 16, 2012 BUDGET MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Ambrose, seconded by Owsinek, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the March 17, 2012 Regular Council Meeting Minutes and the March 16, 2012 Budget Meeting.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

- 1. Request to Enter Into Executive Session to discuss Labor Negotiations and Personnel Issues**

CM 05-03-12 ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LABOR NEGOTIATIONS AND PERSONNEL ISSUES

05-01-12

Motion by Robertson, seconded by Owsinek, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To enter into Executive Session to discuss labor negotiations and personnel issues at the end of the meeting.

Roll Call Vote:

Yes: Ambrose, Owsinek, Robertson, Yezbick, Roberts
No: None
Absent: Ackley, Sturgeon

2. City Council and Downtown Development Authority Joint Meeting Schedule

CM 05-04-12 SCHEDULE THE JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND THE DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR MAY 17, 2012 AT 7:00 P.M.

Motion by Owsinek, seconded by Robertson, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To schedule the Joint Meeting of the City Council and the DDA for May 17, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. and to invite Main Street Oakland County to the meeting to do a presentation and to discuss the future of the program.

MAYOR'S REPORT:

Mayor Roberts recommended the re-appointment of Maureen Langan, Barbara Garbutt, and Gretchen Benyi to the Walled Lake Library Board for another three-year term.

CM 05-05-12 APPROVE THE RECOMMENDATION TO RE-APPOINT MAUREEN LANGAN, BARBARA GARBUTT AND GRETCHEN BENYI TO THE WALLED LAKE LIBRARY BOARD FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM

Motion by Owsinek, seconded by Ambrose, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the recommendation to re-appoint Library Board Members for a three-year term.

Mayor Roberts also reported on the Rails to Trails meeting which he attended with City Manager Whitt. There was discussion about financing the program and the responsibilities that Walled Lake may take on in collaboration with the program, such as maintenance of the old train depot. They agree that the depot should, for now, be included in the grant application.

COUNCIL REPORT:

Council Member Ambrose asked that the Council make a formal motion to instruct himself and Mayor Roberts to write a letter to invite Main Street Oakland County to attend the Joint Meeting on May 17, 2012.

CM 05-06-12 INSTRUCT MAYOR ROBERTS AND COUNCIL MEMBER AMBROSE TO INVITE MAIN STREET OAKLAND COUNTY TO ATTEND THE JOINT MEETING ON MAY 17, 2012.

Motion by Ambrose, seconded by Owsinek, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To instruct the City Manager to conduct a Request for Proposals for a review of our Water and Sewer systems.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Whitt invited Mike Boss of Boss Engineering to speak to Council regarding the Engineering Proposal for the Decker Road Resurfacing Project.

Mr. Boss explained to Council that Oakland County had tentatively chosen Walled Lake to be a recipient of federal aid to move planned projects up to 2013. City Council approved that the City move forward with this a couple of months ago. In order to meet the 2013 deadline, however, the construction and engineering plans need to be completed this year. The proposal is for the full engineering and construction plans and will be valid until at least 2015, should the project get moved back to its original proposed date. These costs are strictly for the design phase of the project.

Deputy Treasurer Stuart informed Council that funds are available in the General Fund - Fund Balance and we will have to make budget appropriations to reallocate the money.

City Manager Whitt said that if Council approves this, he will then bring back a budget revision request to Council.

CM 05-07-12 APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FOR BOSS ENGINEERING FOR DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE DECKER ROAD RESURFACING PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$95,818.

Motion by Owsinek, seconded by Robertson, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the proposal for a Boss Engineering for Design Services for the Decker Road Resurfacing project in the amount of \$95,818.

City Manager Whitt discussed the status of the audit of the water service system. He informed Council that he did receive a bid from the City's independent auditing firm, Pfeffer, Haniford and Palka, in which they stated they would be able to complete the work at a maximum cost of \$10,000. There was further discussion about putting out a Request for Proposals (RFP) and City Manager Whitt informed Council that he would do both and present the information to Council.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

City Attorney Vanerian updated Council about the Consumer Fireworks legislation. He is awaiting further information from the State with additional guidelines and would like to revise the Ordinance at that time.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

Bid for Bulk Road Salt for 2012-13 and Contract with Detroit Salt Company

City Manager Whitt informed Council that per the contract with Detroit Salt, we need to purchase a certain amount of salt per year. Due to the light winter that we had, we did not fulfill that obligation. This would approve the purchase of salt to be used in the 2012-13 winter season and will be stored by the Detroit Salt Company until it is time for us to use it.

CM 05-08-12 APPROVE THE BID FOR BULK ROAD SALT FOR 2012-13 AND CONTRACT WITH DETROIT SALT COMPANY

Motion by Owsinek, seconded by Ambrose, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the bid for bulk road salt for 2012-13 and the contract with Detroit Salt Company.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Council Member Robertson commended those who participated in the St. Baldrick's fundraiser and shaved their heads for a great cause.

Council Member Ambrose noted that the event raised almost \$50,000 and they cut a lot of hair. It was truly a great cause and he thanked all the departments who helped it run smoothly and those who participated.

City Manager Whitt noted that they all had a form to complete to assist in the scheduling of Budget Meeting dates.

CM 05-09-12 BILLS FOR APPROVAL

Motion by Owsinek, seconded by Robertson, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To authorize the Treasurer to make disbursements and transfers on Warrant #09-2012 in the amount of \$498,295.35 this being in the best interest of the City.

The meeting recessed at 8:07 p.m. Council entered into Executive Session at 8:10 p.m. to discuss labor issues and ended this session at 8:20 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.


Tamara Williams, Deputy Clerk


William T. Roberts, Mayor