



**CITY OF WALLED LAKE
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 19, 2013**

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

Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Roberts.

Invocation led by Mayor Pro Tem Ackley.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Roberts, Mayor Pro Tem Ackley, Council Member Ambrose, Council Member Owsinek, Council Member Robertson, Council Member Sturgeon, Council Member Yezbick

ABSENT: None

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

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Whitt, Deputy Clerk Williams, Deputy Treasurer Stuart, Fire Chief VanSparrentak, Finance Director Coogan, Police Chief Shakinias and City Attorney Vanerian

REQUESTS FOR AGENDA CHANGES:

City Manager Whitt requested that an Executive Session to discuss property acquisition be added as Council Consideration #4.

Mayor Roberts removed the Historic District Commission from the Mayor's Report.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

CM 03-39-13 APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 5, 2013 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Ackley, seconded by Ambrose, DISCUSSION:

Council Member Owsinek requested that the Minutes be amended to include the following verbatim transcript of the March 5, 2013 City Council Meeting:

ROBERTS: Moving on to the Mayor's Report, there are appointments to the various boards and commissions. There was one time this was done in mass and as Jen and I were going through the minutes it was really obvious that it was much easier and safer to do them individually. To the Board of Review I appoint William Burke for a term to expire 2015 and Mike Walbridge to a term to expire 2016. What's the pleasure of council?

ACKLEY: So moved

ROBERTSON: Support

ROBERTS: All those in favor?

ALL: I

ROBERTS: Any opposed? Carried.

ACKLEY: I'm assuming these people have all been called?

ROBERTS: Yes, they have.

ACKLEY: Ok

OWSINEK: Don't you really mean nominate?

ROBERTS: No, the charter says appoint and then it's with Council's confirmation.

ROBERTSON: So that means you nominate them and we confirm it.

ROBERTS: No

OWSINEK: You nominate, we confirm.

ROBERTS: It's basically six in one half dozen in another.

**CM 03-40-13 APPROVE THE AMENDMENT TO THE MARCH 5, 2013
MINUTES TO INCLUDE THE VERBATIM TRANSCRIPT
DURING THE MAYOR'S REPORT**

Motion by Owsinek, seconded by Ambrose, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**: To approve the amendment to the March 5, 2013 Minutes to include the verbatim transcript during the Mayor's Report.

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CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the March 5, 2013 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as Amended.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:

Tracy Soltis, Vice-Chair of the Parks and Recreation Commission, requested the approval of City Council to partner with the Market Street Baptist Church of Walled Lake on the 2013 Easter Egg Hunt. Pastor Chris of Market Street Baptist stated the church wants to reach out and give back to the community.

John Magee, Wolverine Lake Village Council President, spoke to City Council in regards to constructing a sidewalk pathway along South Commerce for those residents from both communities who walk along that path. There is currently no sidewalk there and the Wolverine Lake Village Council has made this an important item of consideration for this year. President Magee also informed City Council that Wolverine Lake will be having the Grand Princess Riverboat again this summer.

Tracy Soltis, City of Walled Lake appointee to the West Oakland County Cable Authority (WOCCA), reported to City Council on the status of the current agreement and the benefits of the funds received for the students of the Walled Lake Consolidated School District. The current agreement will expire in two years. Ms. Soltis has agreed to pass along the agenda and minutes from any future WOCCA meetings to be presented to City Council, as well as a report on the quarterly meetings.

COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:

1. Consideration of Lakes Area Youth Assistance

Representatives of the Lakes Area Youth Assistance reported the City Council on the many benefits that their programs offer to Walled Lake and surrounding area youth. The program is a continued success and they request the consideration of the City Council to be included in the 2013-14 budget. They hold meetings on the second Wednesday of every month at 11:30 a.m. at the Community Education Building.

Police Chief Shakinis noted that they are a great resource for the Police Department.

2. Request for White Cane Days – Wixom-Walled Lake Lions Club

CM 03-41-13 APPROVE THE REQUEST OF THE WIXOM-WALLED LAKE LIONS CLUB TO HOLD THEIR WHITE CANE DAYS FROM APRIL 26-28, 2013 AT THE MAPLE ROAD AND PONTIAC TRAIL INTERSECTION

Motion by Robertson, seconded by Ackley, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the request of the Wixom-Walled Lake Lions Club to hold their White Cane Days from April 26-28, 2013 at the Maple Road and Pontiac Trail Intersection.

3. Request to Enter into Executive Session to Discuss Labor Negotiations

CM 03-42-13 REQUEST TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Motion by Ackley, seconded by Robertson, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the request to enter into Executive Session to discuss Labor Negotiations.

Roll Call Vote:

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

4. Request to Enter into Executive Session to Discuss Property Acquisition

**CM 03-43-13 REQUEST TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS
PROPERTY ACQUISITION**

Motion by Ackley, seconded by Owsinek, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the request to enter into Executive Session to discuss Property Acquisition.

Roll Call Vote:

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

MAYOR'S REPORT:

1. Terms of Office for Authorities, Boards and Commissions – Nominations

a. Library Board

**CM 03-44-13 REAPPOINT BENNETT LUBLIN TO THE LIBRARY BOARD
WITH TERM ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 2016**

Motion by Ambrose, seconded by Owsinek, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To reappoint Bennett Lublin to the Library Board with term ending February 1, 2016

**CM 03-45-13 REAPPOINT DORRIS COMPTON TO THE LIBRARY BOARD
WITH TERM ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 2016**

Motion by Ambrose, seconded by Owsinek, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To reappoint Dorris Compton to the Library Board with term ending February 1, 2016

b. WOCCA

**CM 03-46-13 REAPPOINT TRACY SOLTIS AS DELEGATE TO THE WOCCA
WITH TERM ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 2015**

Motion by Owsinek, seconded by Robertson, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To reappoint Tracy Soltis as Delegate to the WOCCA with term ending February 1, 2015.

**CM 03-47-13 REAPPOINT PATRICIA HOLLAND-SOMA AS ALTERNATE TO
THE WOCCA WITH TERM ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 2016**

Motion by Owsinek, seconded by Robertson, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To reappoint Patricia Holland-Soma as Alternate to the WOCCA with term ending February 1, 2016.

c. Zoning Board of Appeals

CM 03-48-13 APPOINT LORI SEIT-OLSON TO THE ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS WITH TERM ENDING FEBRUARY 1, 2015.

Motion by Ackley, seconded by Robertson, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To appoint Lori Seit-Olson to the Zoning Board of Appeals with term ending February 1, 2015.

Mayor Roberts also reported that the Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce held their State of the Lakes luncheon earlier today and it was a success. He thanked City Manager Whitt and the City Staff and City Council for all those who attended.

COUNCIL REPORT:

Council Member Owsinek reported on the Trailway Management Council and provided a handout to be reviewed and discussed at the April 2, 2013 City Council Meeting.

MANAGER'S REPORT:

CM 03-49-13 MOTION TO RECEIVE DEPARTMENTAL STATISTICAL REPORTS

Motion by Ackley, seconded by Robertson, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To receive the monthly departmental statistical reports.

City Manager Whitt reported on the Emergency 9-1-1 Service Plan with Oakland County and that they have a proposed amendment to the plan. Further details will be provided.

Mr. Whitt also thanked Mayor Roberts for his State of the City address today and for his kind words about the City Staff.

City Manager Whitt asked Police Chief Shakinis to report on the IT Committee. Chief Shakinis said that Comcast has upgraded the internet service and all departments have a much faster internet speed. Also, the IT Committee and Website Committee have researched potential website developers and presented a proposal to City Council from Revize Software Systems for a total redesign of the Police Department website. Funds for this project will be paid from the federal forfeiture line in the amount of \$8,000 if approved.

Council Member Sturgeon requested the City Attorney to review the agreement.

CM 03-50-13 APPROVE THE SALES AGREEMENT WITH REVIZE SOFTWARE SYSTEMS PENDING REVIEW OF THE CITY ATTORNEY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,000 TO BE PAID FROM FEDERAL FORFEITURE FUNDS

Motion by Ackley, seconded by Owsinek, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the Sales Agreement with Revize Software Systems pending review of the City Attorney in the amount of \$8,000 to be paid from federal forfeiture funds.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

ATTORNEY'S REPORT:

City Attorney Vanerian informed City Council that the Planning Commission and other positions held on boards or commissions by the City Council are considered *ex officio* and will expire when an elected official's term has ended. Attorney Vanerian all noted that he did receive a response from Michigan Air Line Railway in regards to the delinquent water bill and they are agreeable to payment of the delinquent amount.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Resolution 2013-9 Approving the Agreement with Oakland Livingston Human Services Agency (OLHSA) for Resource Advocacy Services for 2013.**

CM 03-51-13 APPROVE RESOLUTION 2013-9 FOR THE AGREEMENT WITH OAKLAND LIVINGSTON HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY (OLHSA) FOR RESOURCE ADVOCACY SERVICES FOR 2013 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000.

Motion by Owsinek, seconded by Ambrose, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve Resolution 2013-9 for the agreement with Oakland Livingston Human Services Agency (OLHSA) for resource advocacy services for 2013 in the amount of \$1,000.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: None

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Council Member Robertson thanked Mayor Roberts for his speech today and for recognizing the City Staff.

Council Member Owsinek said it was good to see so many staff at the State of the Lakes address today.

Council Member Sturgeon thanked Mayor Roberts and was pleased with the State of the City.

Council Member Ambrose apologized for missing the luncheon and thanked the City Staff for all of their hard work. The website was a sensitive issue for the community and he is glad it is being corrected. Also, he thanked the Police Department for their presence during the St. Patrick's Day festivities throughout the City.

Council Member Yezbick reminded everyone of the Easter Egg Hunt on March 30, 2013 at Noon at Sims Park.

Mayor Pro Tem Ackley apologized for missing the luncheon but knows that the City was well represented. She also thanked the Police Department for keeping the City safe during the St. Patrick's Day festivities.

Mayor Roberts noted that Donna Rickabaugh is having a Retirement Party on March 24th at 3pm at Uptown Grill in Commerce. Donna has worked with the Walled Lake Library since her teenage years and she will be missed.

CM 03-52-13 BILLS FOR APPROVAL

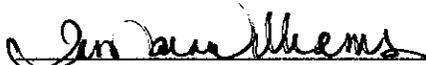
Motion by Ackley, seconded by Owsinek, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To authorize the Treasurer to make disbursements and transfers on Warrant #5-2013 in the amount of \$319,587.43 this being in the best interest of the City.

The meeting recessed at 8:55 p.m. Council entered into Executive Session at 9:03 p.m. and ended this session at 9:19 p.m.

**CM 03-52-13 DIRECT THE COMMERCE, WALLED LAKE AND WIXOM
TRAILWAY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL TO HAVE THE SLAB
UNDER THE POLE BARN REMOVED ALONG WITH THE POLE
BARN PRIOR TO PURCHASE OF THE RAILWAY**

Motion by Ackley, seconded by Ambrose, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To direct the Commerce, Walled Lake and Wixom Trailway Management Council to have the slab under the pole barn removed along with the pole barn prior to purchase of the railway.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:20 p.m.



Tamara Williams, Deputy Clerk



William T. Roberts, Mayor