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Motion by Ackley, seconded by Robertson, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the October 2, 2012 Regular Council Meeting Minutes as corrected.

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Denise Hewitt, 1149 N. Eddie, spoke to City Council regarding the garage sale ordinance. She feels that the ordinance is unfair and she would like to be able to have more sales and signs to advertise her sales. Ms. Hewitt's three minute time limit expired. There was no motion to extend her time.

Thomas Levine, 6066 Silverbrooke, West Bloomfield, spoke on Denise Hewitt's behalf also regarding the garage sale ordinance.

**COUNCIL CONSIDERATION:**

**1. City of Farmington Hills Resolution in support of a Regional Transit Authority**

**CM 10-13-12            MOVE TO RECEIVE THE RESOLUTION FROM THE CITY OF FARMINGTON HILLS REGARDING A REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

Motion by Sturgeon, seconded by Owsinek, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To receive the resolution from the City of Farmington Hills regarding a Regional Transit Authority.

**2. Parks and Recreation Charity Event to benefit Hospitality House**

**CM 10-14-12            APPROVE THE PARKS AND RECREATION CHARITY EVENT REQUEST TO BENEFIT THE HOSPITALITY HOUSE**

Motion by Ackley, seconded by Yezbick, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the Parks and Recreation charity event request to benefit the Hospitality House.

**3. Banner Request for Lakes Area Chamber of Commerce**

**CM 10-15-12            APPROVE THE BANNER REQUEST OF THE HOPE FOR AUTISM FOUNDATION WITH COORDINATION BY CITY ADMINISTRATION**

Motion by Sturgeon, seconded by Ackley, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To approve the Banner Request for the Hope for Autism Foundation with coordination by City Administration.

**4. Swearing in of Officer Scott Schindler**

Police Chief Shakinas presented Officer Scott Schindler and spoke to his qualifications. Deputy Clerk Williams administered the Oath of Office.

**5. Swearing in of Officer Dan Caldwell**

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**MAYOR'S REPORT:**

Mayor Roberts reported on the recent Downtown Development Authority meeting. He noted that the Promotions Committee reports a successful Pet Awareness Day and that A Season to Remember has been cancelled. The Design Committee awarded the business of the month to Scores Haircuts for Men, 543 N. Pontiac Trail.

Mayor Roberts also reported that the Walled Lake Fire Department had a successful Open House and it was nice to see all of the children and families learning about fire prevention and safety.

Additionally, the Michigan Municipal League has a natural gas savings plan that the City may be interested in.

**COUNCIL REPORT:**

Council Member Robertson reported on the Planning Commission meeting and the progress of the Master Plan. A Public Hearing will be scheduled in the coming months and then the plan will be brought to the City Council for approval.

**MANAGER'S REPORT:**

**CM 10-16-12            ACCEPT AND RECEIVE THE DEPARTMENTAL STATISTICAL REPORTS OF THE POLICE, FIRE, AND DPW**

Motion by Ackley, seconded by Robertson, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:** To accept and receive the Departmental Statistical Reports of the Police, Fire, and DPW.

City Manager Whitt informed City Council that the audit team is finished and complimented Finance Director Coogan and the office staff on their good work in assisting with the completion. Additionally, the removal of the railroad crossings on Decker Road has been completed and the remaining funds have been received, which now totals \$11,235.50. The City must now complete the work and sign the Acceptance and Release.

There was further discussion regarding the Trailway Management Council and City Manager Whitt suggested the City Council appoint someone to serve on the Trailway Management Council in place of the seat previously held by Mayor Roberts.

**CM 10-17-12            APPOINT COUNCIL MEMBER JOHN OWSINEK TO SERVE ON THE TRAILWAY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

Motion by Sturgeon, seconded by Robertson, **CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY:** To appoint Council Member John Owsinek to serve on the Trailway Management Council.

City Manager Whitt noted that a Resolution is needed in order to finalize this action. It will be placed on the November 5, 2012 Council Agenda.

**CORRESPONDENCE:** None

**ATTORNEY'S REPORT:**

City Attorney Vanerian reported that he worked with City Manager Whitt to finalize the cost of the railroad crossing removal.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None

**NEW BUSINESS:** None

**AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION:**

Denise Hewitt, 1149 N. Eddie, spoke again regarding her complaints against the Garage Sale Ordinance. Time expired. No motion to extend.

Thomas Levine, 6066 Silverbrooke, West Bloomfield, spoke again regarding Ms. Hewitt's complaints against the Garage Sale Ordinance.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Council Member Owsinek thanked the City Council for appointed him to serve on the Trailway Management Council and vowed to be forthcoming with all information pertaining to it.

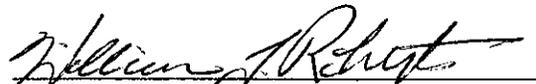
Council Member Yezbick asked for an update regarding the road construction. Police Chief Shakinas reported that there should be three lanes open by Thursday of this week.

**CM 10-18-12           BILLS FOR APPROVAL**

Motion by Ackley, seconded by Owsinek, CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY: To authorize the Treasurer to make disbursements and transfers on Warrant #20-2012 in the amount of \$473,173.14 this being in the best interest of the City.

Meeting adjourned 8:21 p.m.

  
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Tamara Williams, Deputy City Clerk

  
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William T. Roberts, Mayor