



MINUTES

Regular Meeting of Newaygo City Council

December 10, 2018

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Fedell called the meeting to order at 7:02 PM at City Hall located at 28 N. State Road, Newaygo MI 49337.

Presiding officer: Mayor Fedell
Secretary: Clerk, Kim Biegalle

Roll Call: Present: Fedell, Hikade, Johnson, Palmiter, Walerczyk
Absent: Ederer

Motion by Palmiter, support by Walerczyk to excuse absent members. AIF/MC

Motion by Johnson, support by Hikade to approve the amended agenda adding "H" Consumers Energy Proposal and "J" supporting the Wiseman and Star on the Newaygo Elementary School under New Business. AIF/MC

Motion by Hikade, support by Walerczyk to approve Resolution 18-35 appointing Lee Black to City Council to fill vacancy by Marcelo Santana. AIF/MC

Biegalle, City Clerk, swore Black in as Council Member, he signed the oath book and joined the Council Members at table.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Johnson, support by Palmiter to approve the Consent Agenda which includes the regular council minutes from 11/12/18 and accounts payable of \$35,686.82, \$42,704.72, \$64,850.00, \$3,450.47, \$20,148.95, \$7,698.01, \$338.96, and \$5,048.90. Roll Call: Yeas: Black, Fedell, Hikade, Johnson, Palmiter, Walerczyk Absent: Ederer Nay: None. CARRIED

The following resolutions were also approved by consent Agenda:

- A. Motion to approve Resolution 18-36 which appoints Mike Hikade to the Newaygo Area Fire District Board.
- B. Motion to approve Resolution 18-37 which re-appoints Travis Kroll, Art Westcott and Sandy Williams to the Planning Commission for three years and appoints Krista Looman to the Planning Commission to fill a vacancy left by Lee Black thru 12/31/19.
- C. Motion to approve Resolution 18-38 which re-appoints John Buckley Jr. and Nick Looman and appoints Greg Slominski to the TIFA/LDFA Board for four year terms.
- D. Motion to approve Resolution 18-39 which re-appoints Nick Looman, Jeff Nelson and Greg Slominski to the PSD (Principal Shopping District) Board for three year terms.
- E. Motion to approve Resolution 18-40 which re-appoints Mike King to the Election Commission Board for a four year term.
- F. Motion to approve Resolution 18-41 which re-appoints Krista Looman, Cory Nelson and Brooke Schaffer and appoints Steven Radtke to the (NEDO) Newaygo Economic Development Organization Board for three year terms.
- G. Motion to approve Resolution 18-42 which re-appoints Kim Biegalle to the Building Authority Board for a 4 year term.
- H. Motion to approve Resolution 18-43 which re-appoints Dave Chambers to the Newaygo Area District Library for a 4 year term.

- I. Motion to approve Resolution 18-44 which sets the regular dates for Council, Planning and TIFA for the 2019 calendar year.

RESERVED TIME

COMMITTEE & BOARD REPORTS

Scott Faulkner, Economic and Community Development Coordinator, discussed information in packets explaining various NEDO project updates and spoke about next steps for projects. Faulkner gave results from a housing survey that was completed at Magna. He said that Julie Burrell, from The Right Place, will be distributing a housing survey at other businesses in the City in the next few months.

CITY MANAGERS REPORT

Schneider stated that Randy's House, a drug recovery program, is working on a special use application for locations in Newaygo and may be approaching the Planning Commission in January. He stated that they closed on the sewer project November 16th with 2.4 million dollars in bonds and 3.5 million dollars in grants. Schneider said that they continue to work with MDOT and Newaygo County Road Commission on options for M-37 and plan to include public safety and the fire department in future discussions. Schneider updated Council on Clerk and Election training that Kim Goodin attended during 2018 and would like the Council to consider appointing Goodin as City Clerk at the January meeting. He stated that Kim Biegalle, current Treasurer/Clerk, was in support of this change.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS

Ron Wight, DPW Superintendent, stated that they have been busy with Magna and GM Wood Product expansions. He said all Christmas lights and decorations were complete. Wight said they did a mini test on M-37 to review potential future traffic flow.

Ryan Dornbos, Crime Prevention Officer, was present and stated no updates with regards to the Police Department, but said they will be doing the 2nd annual Turkey Not Ticket Event and Shop with a Cop in the coming week.

Dornbos, representing River Country Chamber of Commerce, stated the recent Christmas Walk was the most successful one to date with over 6,000 attending.

Scott VanSingel, Michigan State Representative 100th District, was present. He gave an update on remaining items being worked on at the State prior to the end of the year. He stated that many good things are going on in Michigan. Representative VanSingel answered questions from Council and public.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Motion by Palmiter, support by Hikade to approve residential waste contract for five years with A-Waste. Roll Call: Yeas: Black, Fedell, Hikade, Johnson, Palmiter, Walerczyk Absent: Ederer Nay: None. CARRIED Schneider explained that the contract was bid by A-Waste and awarded to A-Waste. He said that Republic has purchased A-Waste and will honor pricing that was bid by A-Waste. Schneider stated that the City attorney and Republic attorney reviewed the contract. Matt Biolette, from Republic, and Ken Page, from A-Waste, were present to answer any questions.

Motion by Hikade, support by Walerczyk to approve the residential waste contract transfer agreement from A-Waste to Republic. AIF/MC

Motion by Palmiter, support by Hikade to approve donating the Shepherd's Square Sign to Matt Shepherd. AIF/MC

Motion by Hikade, support by Johnson to approve the City Manager to pay all invoices for the Facade Grant Project. AIF/MC

Schneider explained that the Ready Redevelopment Community (RRC) Project requires the Council to review the City's current fee schedules, which was included in their packets. He stated they had not made any changes in a number of years and no action was required unless any changes were made. Council discussed and Schneider answered questions. No changes made to fee schedule.

Motion by Johnson, support by Hikade to approve distribution of Master Plan with minor changes permissible. AIF/MC Schneider presented updates on Master Plan relating to redevelopment strategy, future land use plans, street design recommendations and list of implementation action policies. He showed ideas and pictures that the consultants had come up with relating to area behind The Stream (Railside Development), area around Leppinks and options at the Vera Wilsie site. Council gave ideas and suggestions also asking questions which Schneider answered

Motion by Walerczyk, support by Palmiter to approve the use of the skate park by Neighborhood Watch group for an event on December 29, 2018. AIF/MC

Motion by Johnson, support by Hikade to approve the Consumer Power expenditure and amend the Local Streets Maintenance budget from \$91,590 to \$99,411. Roll Call: Yeas: Black, Fedell, Hikade, Johnson, Palmiter, Walerczyk Absent: Ederer Nay: None. CARRIED Schneider presented proposal from Consumers Energy stating Consumers will bore underground along Quarterline to power the traffic light at the corner of Quarterline and M-37.

Motion by Johnson, support by Hikade praising the schools decision to keep the Wiseman and Star on the school building. AIF/MC

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Krista Looman, 67 Water Street, said it is a privilege and honor to work with everyone on Council and thanked them for re-appointing her to the NEDO Board and appointing her to the Planning Commission. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Nick Looman, 67 Water Street, thanked Council for allowing them to lease the alleyway for their business and stated they did not have any issues. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Walerczyk wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Hikade thanked Council for appointing him to the Fire Board and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Palmiter stated he felt the Wiseman on top of school have created a great bond for city residents. He welcomed Mr. Black to the Council and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Johnson thanked the Loomans and stated the Wiseman on top of the school encourage children to seek wisdom. He welcomed Mr. Black and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Black thankful for opportunity to serve on the Council and has been a privilege to serve on the Planning Commission. He said glad that all worked out for the Loomans with outdoor dining. He wished all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Biegalle welcomed Black and stated that it has been a pleasure to serve the Council.

Schneider thanked Johnson for making formal motion supporting Wiseman on school and unanimous support from the Council. He welcomed Black and wished everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Fedell thanked all for coming out.

Motion by Hikade, support by Walerczyk to adjourn the meeting. AIF/MC

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 PM.

Mayor – Ed Fedell

Clerk – Kim Biegalle