

**CITY OF ST. CLAIR  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016 - 7:00 P.M.  
MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 547 N CARNEY DRIVE**

Mayor Cedar convened the Regular Meeting of the City Council to order in the Council Room of the Municipal Building at 7:00pm.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** was recited.

**ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Cedar, Members Foley, Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney.

ABSENT: None.

ADMINISTRATION: Michael E. Booth, City Superintendent; Rick Jefferson, Police Chief;  
Trice Hawkins, Recreation Director; DJ Boulier, Building Inspector; Annette Sturdy, City Clerk.

AUDIENCE: There were 9 people in attendance.

**AGENDA AMENDMENTS** – None

**CONSENT AGENDA**

McCartney moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to approve Consent Agenda items A. and B. as presented.

- A. City Council Minutes of April 4, 2016 Regular Meeting: Approved
- B. Harbor Commission Minutes of April 2, 2016 Meeting: Received

**PRESENTATIONS**

2014-2015 Annual Audit Presentation-William Tucker, Abraham and Gaffney, provided copies of the Financial Statement for September 2015 and a copy of the audit presentation outline. Appreciation was expressed regarding the city's cooperation and preparedness during the audit. The auditors review generally accepted accounting principles. Nine opinion units are reviewed individually. Each unit received an unmodified, clean opinion. This is the best opinion to receive on the financial statements. Mr. Tucker reviewed several funds, including the net pension liability, explained current trends of financial statements and GASB34 (Governmental Accounting Standards Board).

Proclamation Designating April 29, 2016 as Arbor Day- Mayor Cedar declared the date of Arbor Day 2016 for the City of St. Clair. The City has been awarded the title of Tree City USA for its 18<sup>th</sup> year.

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

Ordinance Introduction (2016-05)-Appendix B. Zoning "Supplementary height regulations"-  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ST. CLAIR, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, MICHIGAN TO AMEND THAT PORTION OF APPENDIX B, ZONING, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 5.20 "SUPPLEMENTARY HEIGHT REGULATIONS", OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADOPTING SECTION 5.20.1.E.

McCartney moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to introduce Ordinance (2016-05).

Ayes: Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney, Foley, Kindsvater, Cedar

Nays: None

Ordinance Introduction (2016-06)-Appendix B, Zoning "Fish Ponds"-  
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ST. CLAIR, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, MICHIGAN TO AMEND  
THAT PORTION OF APPENDIX B, ZONING, ARTICLE 5, SECTION 5.34 'FISH PONDS' OF THE  
CODE OF ORDINANCES BY ADOPTING SECITON 5.34

McCartney moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to introduce Ordinance (2016-06).

Ayes: Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney, Foley, Kindsvater, Klieman, Cedar  
Nays: None

Ordinance Introduction (2016-07)-Amendment to Zoning Ordinance, Article 8b, Downtown  
Development District Definitions, Section 5.7, and Section 8.27-  
INTRODUCTION OF AMENDMENTS ARE REQUESTED BY THE PLANNIN COMMISSION AND  
STATED IN THE ATTACHED DOCUMENT 'PLANNING COMMISSION AGENDA 4/13/16 NEW  
BUSINESS.

McCartney moved, Foley seconded, CARRIED, to introduce Ordinance (2016-07).

Ayes: LaPorte, McCartney, Foley, Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, Cedar  
Nays: None

Motion to Amend Ordinance Introduction (2016-07) to separate each item for individual  
consideration-

McCartney moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to amend Ordinance Introduction (2016-07).

Ayes: McCartney, Foley, Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, Cedar  
Nays: None

Ordinance Introduction-Amendment to Zoning Ordinance, Section 5.7, Landscape Site Plans-

LaPorte moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to introduce amendment to Section 5.7.

Ayes: Foley, Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney, Cedar  
Nays: None

Ordinance Introduction-Amendment to Zoning Ordinance, Article 8b, Downtown Development  
District Section 8.27-

McCartney moved, LaPorte seconded, CARRIED, to introduce amendment to Article 8b.

Ayes: Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney, Foley, Cedar  
Nays: None

Ordinance Introduction-Amendment to Zoning Ordinance, Definitions-

Foley moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to introduce amendment to Definitions.

Ayes: Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, Foley, Kindsvater, Cedar  
Nays: McCartney

## REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

**City Superintendent-** None

**City Attorney** – None

**City Departments** – Polls open 7am-8pm for a Special election Tuesday, May 3, 2016. View your sample ballot at Michigan.gov/vote

**Authority, Board, Commission, Committee Chairman or Council Representative-** The Historical commission is hosting an event about Clubs of the Past 4/21/16 @ 7pm and 4/22/16@ 1pm.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** -None

### NEW BUSINESS –

Approve annual budget public hearing date for May 16, 2016 – McCartney moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to schedule the annual public hearing date for May 16, 2016 7:00pm

Approve Special event permit for St. Clair Little League Parade – Police Chief Jefferson requested that the council approve a special events permit for St. Clair Little League to conduct their annual Parade from the St. Clair High School to Legacy Park (same route at 2015) on May 7, 2016 9:00 am. The applicant has complied with necessary requirements of the Special Events Ordinance and issuance of the permit is recommended

Kindsvater moved, McCartney seconded, CARRIED, to grant the St Clair Little League special events permit request.

Approve Special event permit for Katlyn's Krew 5k run – Police Chief Jefferson requested that the council approve a special events permit for the Charlie Sanders Foundation to conduct their second 5k run (same route at 2015) on September 10, 2016. The applicant has complied with necessary requirements of the Special Events Ordinance and issuance of the permit is recommended

Kindsvater moved, McCartney seconded, CARRIED, to grant the special events permit request.

Approve MDOT-US Bicycle Route 20-Trice Hawkins requested Council's consideration to include downtown St. Clair in the MDOT-US 20 bicycle route. The current route bypasses downtown. Approving this change would allow the route connect to the Bridge to Bay trail, pass the Harbor and Greig Park. The route change received full endorsement from Recreation Commission.

Also, a grant was received for 'Fix-it' stations. This is a first in St. Clair County.

Foley moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to approve route change.

Approval of Special Events permit for St. Clair Recreation Department Summer Concerts- Council received information of the St. Clair Recreation Department Summer Event schedule for 2016.

Foley moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to approve the schedule as written.

Approve Harbor Van Replacement- No action taken.

Appoint Historic District Commission members- Mayor Cedar reported recommendations for appointments of residents to the Historic District Commission commissions as follows: Appoint Bill Cedar Jr, DJ Boulier and Dan Lockwood for three year terms expiring December 31, 2019. Appoint

Chrissy Gorzen for a 2 year term expiring December 31, 2018. Appoint Annette Sturdy for a one year term to expire December 31, 2016. Appoint, with residency waiver, Robert Freehan for a 2 year term expiring December 31, 2018.

McCartney moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to approve appointments.

**CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS** – April 8 & April 15, 2016

Check registers listing the bills for the period ending April 8, 2016 (check numbers 40974->41029) and April 15, 2016 (check numbers 41030->41055) were presented for Council review.

LaPorte moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to approve payments of April 8, 2016 and April 15, 2016 Claims and Accounts as submitted.

**PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS** – None

**MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**– Nominating petitions for Mayor and Council are due by Tuesday, April 19<sup>th</sup> 4:00pm. Event: Salmon Stakes Tournament 4/30/15. Donations are now being accepted for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fireworks.

**ADJOURNMENT** at 7:50pm.

Annette Sturdy, City Clerk

Bill Cedar, Jr, Mayor