

**CITY OF ST CLAIR, MICHIGAN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, AUGUST 6, 2018- 7:00 P.M.**

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00pm by Mayor Cedar in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 547 N. Carney Drive, St. Clair, Michigan.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

PRESENT: Mayor Cedar, Members Ellery, Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney
ABSENT: None
ADMINISTRATION: Michael Booth, City Superintendent; James T. Downey, Kane, Clemons,
Joachim & Downey; Jodi Lipa, Sergeant; Annette Sturdy, City Clerk.
AUDIENCE: There were 12 people in attendance.

CONSENT AGENDA –LaPorte moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to approve Consent Agenda items A. and B. as presented.

- A. City Council Minutes of July 16, 2018 Regular and Closed Meetings: Approved
- B. St. Clair Historical Commission Minutes of June 14, 2018 Meeting: Received

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Resolution (18-13)-Vacation of Frances Street-Attorney Downey reviewed the Resolution as unchanged from the original version. Council continues to question responsibility of the drain. McCartney moved, Cedar seconded, FAILED, to adopt Resolution (18-13) as presented.
Ayes: LaPorte, McCartney, Cedar
Nays: Klieman, Kuffa, Ellery, Kindsvater

Councilmember LaPorte requested Administration and legal Counsel to look into the option for the city to keep all the property instead of dividing it to adjacent properties.

Resolution (18-15)-Charter Amendment-Attorney Downey has taken the necessary actions to prepare the Resolution for Attorney General approval. The current Charter language was read aloud and the proposal for the amendment was then read aloud. If approved, the amendment would be applicable to candidates of the 2020 election.
Klieman moved, Ellery seconded, FAILED, to adopt Resolution (18-15) as presented.
Ayes: LaPorte, Ellery, Klieman, Cedar
Nays: Kuffa, McCartney, Kindsvater
Resolution failed due to the requirement of 5 votes to pass.

REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

City Superintendent – Range/Carney/Brown intersection repair to begin the week of August 13th. Third street bid opening is this week. Expect a timeline for construction shortly after. Bid opening for Henry, Thornapple, S 10 & S 11 St is August 14th. Expect a timeline for construction shortly after. AEW is being consulted regarding using millings from upcoming road projects on St Clair Highway.
City Attorney- None
City Departments – Tomorrow is the state primary election. Polls are open 7am-8pm. To view a sample ballot and locate your polling location please visit Michigan.gov/vote or contact the Clerk.
Authority, Board, Commission, Committee Chairman or Council Representative – None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Special Event Permit for Halloweekends- Council received a memorandum from Police Chief Raker requesting that Council approve a special event permit for St. Clair Chamber of Commerce to host Halloweekends on October 25 through October 27, including a parade on local streets. The applicant has complied with the necessary requirements of the Special Events Ordinance and issuance of the permit is respectfully recommended.
Kindsvater moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to approve special events permit as recommended.

Approve Special Event Permit for 5k Zombie Run- Council received a memorandum from Police Chief Raker requesting that Council approve a special event permit for Schulte Insurance Agency to conduct a 5K Zombie Run on October 27, 2018 using the M-29/Brown/Vine route. The applicant has complied with the necessary requirements of the Special Events Ordinance and issuance of the permit is respectfully recommended.
Kindsvater moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to approve special events permit as recommended.

Approve special Event Permit for Poker Paddle- Council received a memorandum from Police Chief Raker requesting that Council approve a special event permit for the American Cancer Society to conduct a Poker Paddle Fundraiser on August 11, 2018 at the St. Clair Boat Harbor. The applicant has complied with the necessary requirements of the Special Events Ordinance and issuance of the permit is respectfully recommended.
Kindsvater moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to approve special events permit as recommended.

Designate Michigan Municipal League representative & alternate-As a member of the MML, the city must delegate an official to attend the yearly convention at which resolutions may be voted on.
Kindsvater moved, McCartney seconded, CARRIED, to appoint Mike Booth as the delegate.

Approve boathouse lease transfer of 1153 S. Fifth - The transfer is a result of a direct sale to a person on the waiting list.
Kuffa moved, LaPorte seconded, CARRIED, to approve lease transfer as requested.
Administration is requested to consider increasing city involvement in the sale price of boathouses.

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS – July 13, July 19, July 27 & August 2, 2018

Check registers listing the bills for the period ending July 13, 2018 (check numbers 45993->46047) in the amount of \$92,308.95 and July 19, 2018 (check numbers 46048->46099) in the amount of \$192,042.77, July 27, 2018 (check numbers 46100->46157) in the amount of \$212,187.71 and August 2, 2018 (check numbers 46158->46203) in the amount of \$58,482.51 were presented for Council review.

LaPorte moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED (Klieman=Nay), to approve payments of July 13, 19, 27 & August 2, 2018 Claims and Accounts as presented.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – F. Hayes, 709 Clinton, questioned the continued renovations at 602 S. 8th street, inquired if additional permits were required and opposes a business in a residential area. J. Rosentrater, S. 609 8th St., cited Home Occupation requirements and also questioned if additional permits are required for driveway renovations. J. Watt, 1423 S. Riverside, inquired on alternatives to add the Charter Amendment to the November ballot. The ballot proposal can be initiative by the people. Mr. Watt would like the city to consider being part of the revenue of large events. J. Dillar, 985 Highland Drive, requested repair on Highland Drive.

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – Special events include Whistles on the Water 9/29/18, St. Clair Jazz Festival 8/18/18 and the Annual Lighted Boat Parade 8/18/18. Thank you to BWORA for a successful Riverfest and to Harbormaster Shorkey and St. Clair Boat Harbor staff for Mardi Gras. Repair of the fish cleaning station is under review.

ADJOURNMENT at 7:41pm

Annette Sturdy, City Clerk

Bill Cedar, Jr., Mayor