

**CITY OF ST CLAIR, MICHIGAN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 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, LaPorte, McCartney

ABSENT: Member Kuffa (excused)

ADMINISTRATION: Michael Booth, City Superintendent; James T. Downey, Kane, Clemons, Joachim & Downey; Trice Hawkins, Recreation Director; Timothy Raker, Police Chief; Annette Sturdy, City Clerk.

AUDIENCE: There were 22 people in attendance.

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

- A. City Council Minutes of August 6, 2018 Regular and Closed Meetings: Approved
- B. St. Clair Historical Commission Minutes of July 12, 2018 Meeting: Received
- C. Cemetery Board of Trustees Minutes of July 10, 2018 Meeting: Received

PRESENTATIONS

Special recognition of Eagle Scout project-Brent Cadreau-Mayor and Council recognized Brent Cadreau for completion of his Eagle Scout project. Mr. Cadreau described how to earn Eagle Scout status and how he determined what project to choose. He presented and gained approval from the Recreation Commission before beginning his project. His project took 182 hours from start to finish. The bench has been installed in Greig Park.

REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

City Superintendent –Provided partial review of current pension percentages and advised of administration action plan. City hall will be closed September 3rd. Administration was requested to remove wood pile at Klecha park. Flag markers along Goffe Street and by Greig park are there to mark location of future tree plantings. Per Trice, Recreation Department, the trees are funded by a tree grant and 22 trees are being planted.

City Attorney- Spot zoning is the use of a smaller parcel of land that is inconsistent with a larger zoned area. 602 S. 8th street recent variance request meets spot zoning definition. The variance request was denied by Planning Commission. The tabled item will be taken for formal action at the September 4 regular meeting.

City Departments – None

Authority, Board, Commission, Committee Chairman or Council Representative – None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

Approve Special Event permit for St. Clair Chamber of Commerce Parking Lot Party- Council received a memorandum from Chief Raker requesting special event permit approval for St. Clair Chamber of Commerce to host a Parking Lot Party on Thursday, September 27 in the Neiman's Parking Lot.

2018. The applicant has complied with necessary requirements of the Special Events Ordinance and issuance of the permit is respectfully recommended.

Kindsvater moved, McCartney seconded, CARRIED, to approve the special event permit as requested.

Approve Special Event permit for St. Peters Evangelical Lutheran Church Oktoberfest- Council received a memorandum from Chief Raker requesting special event permit approval for St. Peters Evangelical Lutheran Church to host their annual Oktoberfest October 11-13, 2018. The applicant has complied with necessary requirements of the Special Events Ordinance and issuance of the permit is respectfully recommended.

Ellery moved, McCartney seconded, CARRIED, to approve the special event permit as requested.

Approve preliminary site plan from Planet Clair LLC- Recommended to council after unanimous approval by Planning Commission.

LaPorte moved, McCartney seconded, CARRIED, to approve the preliminary site plan.

Ayes: LaPorte, McCartney, Ellery, Kindsvater, Klieman, Cedar

Nays: None

Accept bid from Murray Underground Systems, Inc for 2018 HMA Pavement Reconstruction-

Kindsvater moved, LaPorte seconded, CARRIED, to accept Murray Underground Systems, Inc. bid.

Ayes: McCartney, Ellery, Kindsvater, Klieman, LaPorte, Cedar

Nays: None

Accept bid from Murry Underground Systems, Inc for Third Street Reconstruction project.-This project is partially funded by the Scrap Tire Grant.

Ellery moved, McCartney seconded, CARRIED, to accept Murray Underground Systems, Inc. bid.

Ayes: Ellery, Kindsvater, Klieman, LaPorte, McCartney, Cedar

Nays: None

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS – August 9 & August 16, 2018

Check registers listing the bills for the period ending August 9, 2018 (check numbers 46204-46256) in the amount of \$142,727.33 and August 16, 2018 (check numbers 46257-46339) in the amount of \$177,710.05 were presented for Council review.

LaPorte moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to approve payments of August 9 & 16, 2018

Claims and Accounts as presented.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS –P. Campbell, 804 Clinton Ave & J. Rosentrater, 609 S. 9th St., spoke against the zoning variance request for 602 S. 8th. Thank you to DPW for corner road repair. M. Beaudua, 1170 S.12th St., commended the Clerk as a professional election official.

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS –City offices closed 9/3/18. The next meeting will be Tuesday, 9/4/18. Thank you to the Clerk & election staff, to all who participated in the Lighted Boat Parade and to the St. Clair Jazz Fest committee.

CLOSED SESSION Kindsvater moved, McCartney seconded, CARRIED, to grant Request for a Closed Session to Discuss Strategy Connected with the Negotiation of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with Employees Represented by the Police Officers Labor Council, POLC

Ayes: Kindsvater, Klieman, LaPorte, McCartney, Ellery, Cedar

Nays: None

At 7:29pm, Council recessed into closed session and resumed regular session at 8:01pm.

No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT at 8:02pm

Annette Sturdy, City Clerk

Bill Cedar, Jr., Mayor