

**CITY OF ST CLAIR, MICHIGAN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, MAY 4, 2020- 7:00 P.M.**

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00pm by Mayor Cedar in the Municipal Building, 547 N. Carney Drive, St. Clair, Michigan, 48079.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited.

PRESENT: Mayor Cedar, Ellery, Kindsvater, Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney, Watt

ABSENT: None

ADMINISTRATION: Bob Bieth, DPW Supervisor; James T. Downey, Kane, Clemons, Joachim & Downey; Timothy Raker, Police Chief; Warren Rothe, City Superintendent; Annette Sturdy, City Clerk.

AUDIENCE: There 5 people in (virtual) attendance.

CONSENT AGENDA – LaPorte moved, McCartney seconded, CARRIED, to approve Consent Agenda item A. as presented.

Ayes: Kindsvater, Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney, Watt, Ellery, Cedar

Nays: None

A. City Council Minutes of April 20, 2020 Regular Meeting: Approved

REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

City Superintendent – The draft budget has been distributed to Mayor and Council for review. In regards to the COVID-19 crisis, the city's finances are currently in a good position and the city will continue to adapt to any and all changes.

City Attorney- The Executive Order (EO) pertaining to the Open Meetings Act and virtual meeting changes during the COVID-19 pandemic is set to expire May 15. If that EO does expire, the next meeting will be in person at City Hall.

City Departments- City Clerk- Local St Clair library remains closed until May 28. The next election is 8/4/20. All previously approved special events for May and June have been cancelled by the organizers. There will still be a wreath laying ceremony for Peace Officers' Memorial Day, May 15 and for Memorial Day, May 25. The ceremonies will be televised by CTV and available on local cable channel 6 and watchCTV.org. After much deliberation of all parties involved, the annual the 4th of July Fireworks display has been cancelled. While there are many factors to consider, the event is funded primarily through donations which, at this time, may be better directed towards the economic relief of others in our community. The fireworks committee, along with all partners of the event, will continue to communicate and if the event Can be rescheduled, the news will be shared appropriately.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

Approve temporary sign permit- Kuffa moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to approve temporary sign permit from SCHS as requested.

Ayes: Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney, Watt, Ellery, Kindsvater, Cedar

Nays: None

Approve Contract Modification No. 5 with IPR- McCartney moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to waive competitive bid and approve IPR contract modifications in the amount of \$152,960.17.
Ayes: LaPorte, McCartney, Watt, Ellery, Kindsvater, Kuffa, Cedar
Nays: None

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS – April 23 & April 30, 2020

Check registers listing the bills for the period ending April 23, 2020 (check numbers 50134-50157) in the amount of \$27,756.10 and the period ending April 30, 2020 (check numbers 50158-50182) in the amount of \$17,066.90 were presented for Council review.

LaPorte moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to approve payments of April 23 & April 30, 2020 Claims and Accounts as presented.

Ayes: McCartney, Watt, Ellery, Kindsvater, Kuffa, LaPorte, Cedar
Nays: None

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – None

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – Condolences extended to the family of Bob Shafer.

ADJOURNMENT - LaPorte moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to adjourn at 7:21pm.
Ayes: Watt, Ellery, Kindsvater, Kuffa, LaPorte, McCartney, Cedar
Nays: None

Annette Sturdy, City Clerk

Bill Cedar, Jr., Mayor