

**CITY OF ST CLAIR, MICHIGAN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2021- 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, 48079.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited.

PRESENT: Mayor Cedar, Members Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, Paul, Volz

ABSENT: None

ADMINISTRATION: Delos Boulter; Building Inspector; James T. Downey, Kane, Clemons, Joachim & Downey; Tom Fountain, Water Plant Lead Operator; Trice Hawkins, Recreation Director; Timothy Raker, Police Chief; Warren Rothe, City Superintendent; Annette Sturdy, City Clerk.

AUDIENCE: There were 10 people in attendance.

AGENDA AMENDMENT: Kindsvater moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to remove item 5A Resolution (21-31) Lot Split Riverview Plaza Association.

Ayes: Paul, Volz, Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, Cedar

Nays: None

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

A. City Council Minutes of September 20, 2021 Regular Meeting: Approved

REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

City Superintendent – None

City Attorney- None

City Departments- Special election 11/2/21. Absent Voter applications & ballots are now available Business License renewal applications will be sent out soon. Reminder to visit stclairontheriver.com for events including St. Clair Chamber of Commerce Halloween Nights events.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Approve 2022-23 Lawn Service proposal-

Laporte moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to award the contract to J & J Lawn Services in the amount of \$67,920.00.

Ayes: Volz, Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, Paul, Cedar

Nays: None

Approve Traffic Control Order- Chief Raker recommended to prohibit parking on the west side of S Riverside (M-29) from Trumbull St. north 120 feet in order for MDOT to extend the Southbound right-hand turn lane. This would require the removal of 3 parking spots on the 300 block of M-29.

Kindsvater moved, Volz seconded, CARRIED, to approve the Traffic Control Order as presented.

Ayes: Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, Paul, Volz, Cedar

Nays: None

Approve M-29 design- Linda Burchell, MDOT, (virtually) explained the changes to create a right-hand turn only lane southbound south of Clinton. Laura, Mary, Fort and S Riverside Avenue will be all right-hand turn only lanes. Pavement markings could be done as early as this week. Concern remains on the noise from the man-hole cover in the Northbound lane.

LaPorte moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to approve the M29 design as presented.

Ayes: Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, Paul, Volz, Kindsvater, Cedar

Nays: None

Approve purchase- Water Plant Air-handler replacement-

Klieman moved, Kindsvater seconded, to approve purchase from AHS in the amount of \$39,850.00 with the addition of a performance bond.

Kuffa moved, Paul seconded, FAILED, to table the approval.

Ayes: Paul, Kindsvater, Kuffa

Nays: LaPorte, Volz, Klieman, Cedar

Klieman moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to table the original motion to approve purchase from AHS in the amount of \$39,850.00 with the additional of a performance bond.

Ayes: Paul, Volz, Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, Cedar

Nays: None

Approve purchase of pool cover-

Kindsvater moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to approve the pool cover purchase from Clear Water of Michigan in the amount of \$10,500 plus shipping. It includes a 15-year warranty and fits the existing anchors.

Ayes: Kuffa, LaPorte, Paul, Volz, Kindsvater, Klieman, Cedar

Nays: None

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS – September 23 & September 30, 2021

Check registers listing the bills and electronic payments for the period ending September 23, 2021 (53159-53202) in the amount of \$362,948.65 and for the period ending September 30, 2021 (53203-53241) in the amount of \$3,173,478.22 were presented for Council review.

LaPorte moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to approve payments of September 23 & September 30, 2021 Claims and Accounts as presented.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – Dan Lockwood, St. Clair Endowment Fund, presented the City a \$5000 award to the St. Clair Recreation Department towards the boardwalk Freighter project.

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – Congratulations to St. Clair Knights of Columbus for celebrating 100 years in this community.

CLOSED SESSION: LaPorte moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to grant closed session to consider the purchase or lease of real property.

Ayes: Volz, Kindsvater, Klieman, Kuffa, LaPorte, Paul, Cedar

Nays: None

At 7:44pm, 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