

**CITY OF ST CLAIR, MICHIGAN  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, DECEMBER 6, 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:** Timothy Raker, Police Chief; Warren Rothe, City Superintendent; Dave Shorkey, Harbormaster; Annette Sturdy, City Clerk.

**AUDIENCE:** There were 7 people in attendance.

**AGENDA AMENDMENT-** Kindsvater moved, Volz seconded, **CARRIED**, to add New Business item 8E) Senior Van Discussion.

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

- A. City Council Minutes of November 15, 2021 Regular Meeting: Approved
- B. Harbor Commission Minutes of August 28, 2021 Meeting: Received
- C. Cemetery Board of Trustees Minutes of September 7 & October 5, 2021 Meetings: Received
- D. St. Clair Historical Commission Annual Report: Received

**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS**

Resolution (21-34) Ward Division lines- **RESOLUTION APPROVING WARD DIVISION LINES**

**WHEREAS**, the City of St. Clair is divided into three (3) wards for voting purposes, and **WHEREAS**, the City Council is required to apportion the wards as equally as possible by population following each state or federal census, and **WHEREAS**, the 2020 Federal Census figures were reviewed by the Election Commission on November 24, 2021, and **WHEREAS**, the Election Commission recommends to the City Council that no changes be made to the ward boundaries, and **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** that the City Council of the City of St. Clair hereby approves the ward division lines recommended by the Election Commission as contained on the attached map, to be effective December 6, 2021.

Kindsvater moved, Kuffa seconded, **CARRIED**, to adopt Resolution (21-34) by attaching an accurate updated Ward division map as clarified by Clerk Sturdy, but otherwise as presented.

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

Nays: None

**RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED**

Resolution (21-35) Renaming of Christian B Haas North to Magna Drive- **RESOLUTION TO**

**RENAME CHRISTIAN B. HAAS DRIVE NORTH TO MAGNA DRIVE. A RESOLUTION** of the City Council of the City of St. Clair adopted at a regular meeting of said Council held at City Hall located at 547 N. Carney Drive, St. Clair, Michigan, on the 6th day of December, 2021 at 7:00 PM. **WHEREAS**, the City of St. Clair has received a request from Magna Electric Vehicle Structures—Michigan, Inc. (“Magna”) to rename Christian B. Haas Drive North, the platted street on which their development sits, north of Yankee Road, to Magna Drive; and **WHEREAS**, pursuant to the Michigan Home Rule Cities Act, MCL Section 117.1 *et seq.*, the City of St. Clair is empowered to adopt charter provisions that allow legislation concerning the public peace and health and for the safety of persons

and property; and, **WHEREAS**, pursuant to Charter Section 5.01, the City Council shall provide for the public peace, health, safety and the general welfare of persons and property within the city; and **WHEREAS**, having considered Magna's request, the City Council of the City of St. Clair determines it is in the best interest of the City to rename Christian B. Haas Drive North to Magna Drive: **NOW, THEREFORE**, it is hereby **RESOLVED** by the City Council of St. Clair, County of St. Clair, State of Michigan, as follows:

1. That the St. Clair City Council hereby renames Christian B. Haas Drive North to Magna Drive.
2. That the City Clerk shall record a certified copy of this Resolution with the St. Clair County Register of Deeds within thirty (30) days and shall send a copy of the recorded resolution to both the Director of the Michigan Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Growth, the Director of the St. Clair County Road Commission.

Kuffa moved, LaPorte seconded, CARRIED, to adopt Resolution (21-35) as presented.

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

Nays: None

#### **RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.**

Resolution (21-36) Certification of additional streets-Woodland Estates- **A RESOLUTION FOR THE CERTIFICATION OF ADDITIONAL STREETS TO THE CITY OF ST. CLAIR ACT 51 LOCAL STREET SYSTEM** At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of St. Clair, Michigan, held at the City Hall located at 547 North Carney Drive, St. Clair, Michigan 48079 on December 6, 2021 the following resolution was offered by Councilmember LaPorte and supported by Councilmember Kuffa. **WHEREAS**, the City of St. Clair on March 1st, 2021 acquired the streets within the Woodland Estates Phase 2 residential subdivision; and **WHEREAS**, it is necessary to furnish certain information to the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) to place these streets within the City of St. Clair local street system for the purpose of obtaining funds under Act 51, P.A. 1951 as amended. **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:** That the City St. Clair acquires Woodland Estates Drive and the center line of said street is described as: Commencing at the intersection of the westerly line of Private Claim No. 305 and the centerline of Vine Street, Town 5 North, Range 16 East, Section 36, thence South  $10^{\circ}-21'-40''$  West 1,146.15 feet along the west line of Private Claim No. 305 to the Point of Beginning of centerline of said street, thence along the center line of said street South  $79^{\circ}-27'-16''$  East 214.82 feet; thence easterly along the arc of a curve concave to the north, having a radius of 580 feet and a chord of  $14^{\circ}-00'-14''$ , 141.76 feet; thence easterly along the arc of a curve concave to the south, having a radius of 600 feet and a chord of  $28^{\circ}-00'-18''$ , 293.27 feet; thence easterly along the arc of a curve concave to the north, having a radius of 580 feet and a chord of  $14^{\circ}-00'-14''$ , 141.75 feet to the beginning of the centerline of Mallard Drive (Point A); thence South  $79^{\circ}-23'-19''$  East 173.05 feet to the easterly end of said street That the City St. Clair acquires Mallard Drive and the center line of said street is described as: Commencing at Point A along the centerline of Woodland Estates Drive; thence North  $10^{\circ}-21'-40''$  East 513.11 feet to the northerly end of said street and the beginning of the centerline of Shelldrake Lane (Point B) That the City St. Clair acquires Shelldrake Lane and the center line of said street is described as: Commencing at Point B at the northerly end of the centerline of Mallard Drive; thence South  $79^{\circ}-08'-50''$  East 184.40 feet to the easterly end of said street. That said streets are located within a City of St. Clair right-of-way and is now under the control of the City of St. Clair. That said streets are now a public street and is for public street purposes. That said streets are accepted into the City of St. Clair local street system and open to public use on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.

LaPorte moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to adopt Resolution (21-36) as presented.

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

Nays: None

#### **RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.**

#### **REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION**

**City Superintendent** – Last week for city service of leaf collection December 6-10, Planning Commission meeting will be held at a different location (Eddy Elementary) December 8.

**City Attorney**- None

**City Departments**- Chief Raker stated Lighted Santa parade went well. Crowd management will be a focus next year.

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

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS** - None

## **NEW BUSINESS**

Approve Abonmarche Engineering Proposal-

Kuffa moved, Volz seconded, CARRIED, to approve proposal by Abonmarche in the amount of \$18,200.

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

Nays: None

Approve Fishbeck Water Reliability Study Proposal-

Kindsvater moved, LaPorte seconded, CARRIED, to approve proposal by Fishbeck in the amount of \$32,800.

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

Nays: Paul

Approve selection of Regular Council Meeting dates for 2022-

Kindsvater moved, LaPorte seconded, CARRIED, to approve selection of regular council meeting dates for 2022 as presented.

Approve 2022 Authority, Board and Commission appointments-Mayor Cedar recommended the following appointments:

**Building Authority** Reappoint Chad Muldermans for a six-year term expiring 12/31/27. **Dangerous**

**Buildings-** Reappoint Richard Jefferson and Phil Porte for a one-year term expiring 12/31/22

**Downtown Development Authority-** Reappoint Tim Burns for a one-year term expiring 12/31/22.

**Electrical Board-** Reappoint Delos Boulier for a three-year term expiring 12/31/24. **Golf**

**Commission-** Reappoint Grace Hurley, Abe Leaver, Dan McCartney, Greg Hawkins and Rick Schweihofer each for a four-year term expiring 12/31/25 and Peter Tinsey for a one-year term expiring

12/31/22, as the Lions Club representative on the Commission. **Harbor Commission-** Reappoint

Nancy Beaudua and Keith Winn each for a three-year term expiring 12/31/24. **Historical**

**Commission-** Reappoint Mary Beaudua, Joann Kindsvater and Beverly Stewart each for a three-year term expiring 12/31/24. **Housing Commission** – Reappoint David Gillis for a five-year term

expiring 6/30/26. Appoint D. Kent Bacon to fill the remainder of a five-year term expiring 6/30/23 and Gretchen Cosner for a five-year term expiring 6/30/26. **Library Board** – Reappoint Mike McCartan

and Kathy Rood each for a three-year term expiring 12/31/24 and Kathy McConnell, Friends of the St. Clair Library Representative, for a one-year term expiring 12/31/22. **Planning Commission-**

Reappoint Nancy Beaudua and Paul Wade each for a three-year term expiring 12/31/24. **Planning**

**Board of Appeals-**Reappoint Delos Boulier for a one-year term expiring 12/31/22. **Zoning Board of**

**Appeals-** Reappoint Burton Brooks, Ralph Gizowski, Douglas Glassford and Douglas Vernier each for a three-year term expiring 12/31/24

Kindsvater moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to approve resident appointments as recommended.

Mayor Cedar recommended the following appointments with a residency waiver:

**Electrical Board-** Reappoint Keith Kleiman, 4867 Rattle Run Road for a three-year term expiring 12/31/24. **Historical Commission** – Reappoint Ron Brenner, 3494 Barberry Drive and Robert

Freehan, 1711 River Road, each for a three-year term expiring 12/31/24.

Kindsvater moved, LaPorte seconded, CARRIED, to approve those appointments, with a residency waiver, as recommended.

Senior Van Discussion-

Cedar moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to support motion to direct Superintendent to move forward with the purchase of the 2019 Red Touring L+ for \$38,503 or the 2018 Gray Touring L+ for \$34,865.

Ayes: Kuffa, LaPorte, Paul, Volz, Kindsvater, Klieman, Cedar  
Nays: None

**CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS – November 18 & December 2, 2021**

Check registers listing the bills and electronic payments for the period ending November 18, 2021 (53556-53587) in the amount of \$253,469.96 and for the period ending December 2, 2021 (53588-53658) in the amount of \$228,127.82 were presented for Council review.

LaPorte moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to approve payments of November 18 & December 2, 2021 Claims and Accounts as presented.

**PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – None**

**MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS –** Mayor & Council commended DPW leaf collection services & local light displays, acknowledged Pearl Harbor Day-12/7/21 held a moment of silence held for Oxford tragedy & stated administration evaluation forms due to the Clerk by 12/19/21.

**ADJOURNMENT** at 7:49pm

Annette Sturdy, City Clerk

Bill Cedar, Jr., Mayor