

**CITY OF ST CLAIR, MICHIGAN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2022- 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, Kuffa, LaPorte, Paul, Volz

ABSENT: Member Klieman (excused)

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

AUDIENCE: There were 4 people in attendance.

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

- A. City Council Minutes of January 17, 2022 Regular & Closed Meetings: Approved
- B. Resignation from Housing Commission: Accepted with Regrets

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance Adoption (2022-01) Conditional Rezoning-

LaPorte moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to adopt Ordinance (2022-01) as presented.

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

Nays: None

ORDINANCE ADOPTED

Resolution (22-03) Polling Place- **AUTHORIZING THE PERMANENT RELOCATION OF**

THE SECOND WARD POLLING PLACE.WHEREAS, Immanuel Lutheran Church, 415 N. Ninth Street, has amicably terminated its agreement with the City of St. Clair to serve as the polling place for voting activities for the Second Ward; and **WHEREAS**, Michigan Compiled Laws Section 168.662 requires that a determination of a polling place change not less than 60 days prior to an Election requires City Council approval; and **WHEREAS**, following deliberations by the Elections Commission, the City Clerk has located a suitable replacement polling place location for the Second Ward at City Hall, 547 N. Carney Drive; **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, that the St. Clair City Council approves the permanent relocation of the Second Ward to City Hall, 547 N. Carney Drive, for all elections, beginning with the May 3, 2022 election, and that the City Clerk is authorized to take all action necessary to implement this change.

Kindsvater moved, Volz seconded, CARRIED, to adopt Resolution (22-03) as presented.

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

Nays: None

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

City Superintendent -None

City Attorney- None

City Departments- Business Licenses annual renewal completed. Special election 5/3/22. Housing Commission & Cemetery Board of Trustees each have one vacancy. St. Clair has been awarded Tree City USA for the 24th year.

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS - None

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS – January 19, January 27 and February 3, 2022

Check registers listing the bills for the period ending January 19, 2022 (check numbers 53889-53921) in the amount of \$149,711.92, the period ending January 27, 2022 (check numbers 53922-53950) in the amount of \$79,240.73 and the period ending February 3, 2022 (check numbers 53951-53984) in the amount of \$49,831.44 were presented for Council review.

LaPorte moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to approve payment of January 19, January 27 and February 3, 2022 Claims and Accounts as presented.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – Comments and concerns heard regarding pedestrian safety on Cox road.

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

CLOSED SESSION Kuffa moved, Kindsvater seconded, CARRIED, to grant request for Closed Session to Confer with Legal Counsel for the Purpose of Discussing Confidential Attorney-Client Communication.

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

Nays: None

At 7:20pm, Council recessed into closed session and resumed regular session at 7:43pm.

Kindsvater moved, Kuffa seconded, instruct the City Attorney to negotiate an option agreement with the St. Clair County Land Bank.

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

Nays: None

ADJOURNMENT at 7:44pm

Annette Sturdy, City Clerk

Bill Cedar, Jr., Mayor