

**CITY OF ST CLAIR, MICHIGAN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 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

ABSENT: Member Klieman, Volz (both excused)

ADMINISTRATION: James T. Downey, Kane, Clemons, Joachim & Downey; Trice Hawkins, Recreation Director; Morgan Hustek, Deputy Clerk; Annette Sturdy, City Clerk/Interim City Superintendent.

AUDIENCE: There were 20 people in attendance.

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

A. City Council Minutes of December 5, 2022 Regular Meeting: Approved

B. Planning Commission Minutes of October 12, 2022 Meeting: Received

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS - None

REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

City Superintendent – Report heard on the PASER study schedule, concerns on 2nd street, M29 bridge work 12/2022-4/2023 & holiday office closures 12/23, 12/26, 12/30 & 1/2/23. The next Council meeting will be Tuesday, 1/3/23. Thank you Councilmembers Klieman & Kindsvater for your service.

City Attorney- None

City Departments-

Parks and Recreation Master Plan-St. Clair County Metropolitan Planning Commission-Trice Hawkins, Recreation Director, stated the Master Plan public notice process, including the 30 day public notice requirement. The plan is available in City Hall, City website and Recreation Facebook page. A summary of previous projects and proposed projects was provided. David Struck, St. Clair County Planning Director/Deputy County Administrator, shared an overview of the plan (powerpoint).

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

UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Schedule public hearing for Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Kindsvater moved, Paul seconded, CARRIED, to schedule the public hearing for January 16, 2023 @7pm as recommended.

Approve 2023 Board, Commission and Authority appointments -Mayor Cedar recommended the following appointments: **Board of Review** - Reappoint Blake Eitniar and Judith Shaune for one-year terms expiring December 31, 2023. **Cemetery Board of Trustees** – Reappoint Timothy Distelrath for a three-year term expiring December 31, 2025. **Harbor Commission** – Reappoint Dennis Bucholtz and Chuck Harder each for a three -year term to expire December 31, 2025.

Golf Commission- Reappoint Peter Tinsey, St. Clair Lions Club Representative, for a one-year

term to expire December 31, 2023.

Kindsvater moved, Paul seconded, CARRIED, to approve appointments as recommended.

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS – December 8 & December 15, 2022

Check registers listing the bills for the period ending December 8, 2022 (check numbers 55908-55946) in the amount of \$159,262.29, for the period ending December 15, 2022 (check numbers 55947-55994) in the amount of \$280,918.70 and the credit card register were presented for review. LaPorte moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to approve payments of December 8 & 15, 2022 Claims and Accounts and credit card register as presented.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – Bob Currier, BWORA, presented Councilmember Kindsvater with a Board Resolution and thanked him for his decades of volunteer service.

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – Mayor Cedar extended sympathy to the Cavis family. Mayor Cedar and members of Council recognized and thanked Councilmembers Klieman and Kindsvater for their years of elected service. No change to Waste Management services during the holidays. Happy Holidays and Happy New Year!

CLOSED SESSION Kuffa moved, LaPorte seconded, CARRIED, to grant request for a closed session for the purpose of discussing Confidential Attorney-Client Communication.

Ayes: Kuffa, LaPorte, Paul, Kindsvater, Cedar

Nays: None

At 7:33pm, Council recessed into closed session and resumed regular session at 7:44pm. No action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT at 7:45pm

Morgan Hustek, Deputy Clerk

Bill Cedar, Jr., Mayor