

**CITY OF ST CLAIR, MICHIGAN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, APRIL 15, 2024- 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 Gottler, Kuffa, LaPorte, Paul, Volz, Watt

ABSENT: None

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

AUDIENCE: There were 8 people in attendance.

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

- A. City Council Minutes of April 1, 2024 Regular meeting: Approved
- B. Housing Commission Minutes of February 20, 2024 Regular Meeting: Received
- C. Cemetery Board of Trustees Minutes of March 5, 2024 Meeting: Received
- D. Golf Commission Minutes of March 12, 2024 Meeting: Received

PROCLAMATION

Proclamation Designating April 26, 2024 as Arbor Day- Mayor Cedar declared April 26, 2024 as Arbor Day in the City of St. Clair.

PRESENTATION

2022-2023 Annual Audit Presentation-Maner Costerisan- Jordan Smith presented an overall summary of the FY23 financial audit and declared a clean, unmodified opinion. The purpose of the audit is for independent auditors to prepare an opinion on generally accepted accounting principles.

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS - None

REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

City Superintendent – Report heard on staff certification, road projects timeline, town clock repair, Clinton Ave update and Cox road sidewalk funding.

City Attorney- None

City Departments-Report heard from Clerk on TREE CITY USA recognition, filing deadline 4pm 4/23/24 and Be a Tourist in your town day 5/28/24. Report heard from Chief Raker on Sgt. Ennis award ceremony.

Authority, Board, Commission, Committee Chairman or Council Representative –

Applications being accepted for Planning Commission vacancy. Fireworks committee accepting donations.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None

NEW BUSINESS

Approve recommendation of award for Range/Yankee water main -
Kuffa moved, LaPorte seconded, CARRIED, to approve recommendation to award contract to Raymond Excavating Company in the amount of \$449,902.38.
Ayes: Paul, Volz, Watt, Gottler, Kuffa, LaPorte, Cedar
Nays: None

Approve Special Event permit for St Clair Little League Parade- Council received a memorandum from Police Chief Raker requesting that Council approve a special event permit for St. Clair Little League to conduct their St. Clair Little League Opening Day parade May 4, 2024 @9:00am. The applicant has complied with the necessary requirements of the Special Events Ordinance and issuance of the permit is respectfully recommended.
Kuffa moved, Volz seconded, CARRIED, to approve the special event permit as recommended.

Approve special event permit for SCHS Senior Picnic and Cruise -Council received a memorandum from Chief Raker requesting that Council approve a special event permit for the SCHS PTO to host the Class of 2024 Senior Picnic and cruise Sunday, May 19, 2024. The applicant has complied with the necessary requirements of the Special Events Ordinance & issuance of the permit is respectfully recommended.
Kuffa moved, Paul seconded, CARRIED, to approve the special event permit as recommended.

Approve St. Clair Recreation Department Summer Event schedule- Council received a memorandum from Police Chief Raker requesting that Council approve a special event permit from St. Clair Recreation Department for their summer concerts and events. The applicant has complied with the necessary requirements of the Special Events Ordinance and issuance of the permit is respectfully recommended.
Volz moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to approve the special event permit as recommended.

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS – April 4 & April 11, 2024

Check register listing the bills for the period ending April 4, 2024 (check numbers 58835-58875) in the amount of \$135,201.09 and April 11, 2024 (check numbers 58876-58925) in the amount of \$157,757.20 were presented for Council review.
LaPorte moved, Kuffa seconded, CARRIED, to approve payments of April 4 & April 11, 2024 Claims and Accounts as presented.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – None

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS – Comments heard on Sgt. Ennis' 4/12/24 recognition. Thank you to Superintendent Bishop for Cox sidewalk grant work.
Events: SCHS musical 4/19 & 4/20; Jeff Mead fundraiser 4/21 LaCroix's Riverside Pub.

ADJOURNMENT at 7:51pm

Annette Sturdy, City Clerk

Bill Cedar, Jr., Mayor