

MINUTES OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
May 20, 2019

The regular meeting of the Pontiac City Council was held on Monday, May 20, 2019 in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Mayor Russell called to order the meeting of the City Council at 7:00 P.M.

The City Clerk was directed to call roll, and the following members of the Council were present: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor and Wille.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Russell stated that there were eight items on the consent agenda. He asked if there was a need to have any item removed for later discussion. Council asked that item "G" be removed for a separate vote. Motion made by Eckhoff, second by Myers, that the items on the consent agenda be approved as presented, less item "G".

A. Motion Eckhoff, second by Myers to approve the minutes of the May 6,,2019 City Council meeting as written. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor and Wille.

B. Motion by Eckhoff, second by Myers to approve payment of bills totaling \$6,472.18 from the TIF I Fund. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor and Wille.

C. Motion by Eckhoff, second by Myers to approve payment of bills totaling \$8,664.19 from TIF II Funds. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor and Wille.

D. Motion by Eckhoff, second by Myers to approve the payment of bills totaling \$287,286.94 from all other funds. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor and Wille.

E. Motion by Eckhoff, second by Myers to approve the use of Block 59 Parking Lot for Ehresman Performance. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor and Wille.

F. Motion by Eckhoff, second by Myers to approve a raffle license application for the Law Enforcement Torch Run. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor and Wille.

H. Motion by Eckhoff, second by Myers to approve a Transient Merchant License to Stacy Dyer for state approved consumer fireworks . On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor and Wille.

Item G of Consent Agenda

Motion by Eckhoff, second by Kallas to approve a License Agreement to PK Uncorked - 220 North Main Street for the use of the City right-of-way in front of business for outdoor seating serving wine as applied. On a roll call vote, motion carried 8-1. Aye votes recorded: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, and Myers. Nay vote recorded: Wille. Abstain vote recorded: Gabor.

REGULAR AGENDA

A. Presentation and Referral to the Planning Commission - Wally's Commerce Center

Owners and design staff for the project of Wally's Commerce Center gave a presentation of the proposed project at the intersection of Rt116 and Interstate 55 on Deerfield Rd. The Auto Center will consist of multiple gas fill up areas, a large convenience store, ready made food purchases and a large retail store. The commerce center will cater to autos, Rv's and travelers. Not intended for over the road semis. Plans are to employ at least 100 or more and a opening in April fo 2020.

Motion by Alvey, second by Swanson to refer to the Planning Commission the Wally's Commerce Center project for approval. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor and Wille.

B. Ordinance 2019-O-010 Variance - 1308 N. Chicago Street

Motion by Eckhoff, second by Myers to approve Ordinance 2019-O-010 to Tim & Diane Dennis, allowing a 2 ft yard set back for an enlarged garage at 1308 N. Chicago St. as written. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, and Wille. Abstain vote recorded: Gabor.

C. Farnsworth Group - Bridge Inspections

Motion by Eckhoff, second by Alvey to approve a professional services contract for (7) bridge inspections with the Farnsworth Group at a cost of \$3,100.00 On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor and Wille.

D. Resolution 2019-R-002 - 2019 Oil & Chip

Motion by Kallas, second by Hicks to approve Resolution 2019-R-002, maintenance on streets for oil and chip in 2019, as written. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor and Wille.

E. Contract Farnsworth Group- Storm Sewer Separation

Motion by Hicks, second by Swanson to approve a (5) year contract with the Farnsworth Group for additional work needed on the sewer separation project, as in permit applications, documentation and correspondence in the approximate amount of \$25,000.00 for time and material. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor and Wille.

F. Tobacco/Vaping Prohibition in Parks & Recreation Facilities

Motion by Wille, second by Bradshaw to not allow any smoking/e-cigarettes in all City parks and recreational facilities. On a roll call vote, motion carried 9-1. Aye votes recorded: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, and Wille. Nay vote recorded: Gabor.

G. Street Department Purchase

Motion by Eckhoff, second b Causer to approve the purchase of a commercial grade lawnmower at a cost of \$10,599.00 from M & H Sales in Pontiac, for the Street Department. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor and Wille.

H. Electrical Aggregation

Motion by Causer, second by Gabor to approve the reworking of the electrical aggregation contract with Mc2 to change to the cost to 7.05 electrical rate for half of the users in the

City and the other half, higher users, returned to ComEd for the 7.05 rate. On a roll call vote, motion carried 10-0. Aye votes recorded: Alvey, Swanson, Eckhoff, Kallas, Hicks, Causer, Bradshaw, Myers, Gabor and Wille.

Mayor Comments

The mayor continued comments on the Wally's Commerce Center, noting the tax dollars the City will receive.

Administrator Comments

Scott Runyon, Fire Department Chief, announced his retirement in the summer of this year.

Set a Community Service Committee meeting for May 24, 2019 at 2:00 P.M.

Ellie Alexander of the Tourism Department announced "Rockin at eh River" concert series. Starting Thursday, June 6th, there will be band entertainment at Riverside park for free concerts. There will be five shows on Thursday nights.

Council Comments

Alderman Kallas asked about surviving the recent floods

Alderman Hicks asked about South Street flooding

Alderman Causer asked about parking on Lincoln Street

Also discussed was the Warden's house on Vermillion Street that is in disrepair. Staff has contacted the correctional center

Public Comments

None

Adjournment

On motion duly made and seconded, the regular meeting of the City Council was adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

Sharon L Dunham
City Clerk