

**Minutes**  
**Saugatuck City Council Meeting**  
**Saugatuck, Michigan, June 14, 2021**

The City Council met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. The meeting was held using Zoom video/audio conference technology due to the COVID-19 restrictions currently in place.

- 1. Call to Order**  
The meeting was called to order by Mayor Bekken at 7:00 p.m.
- 2. Attendance**  
Present: Bekken, Stanton, Leo, Lewis, Peterson, Dean, & Trester  
Absent: None  
Others Present: City Manager Heise, City Clerk Gallagher, Treasurer Stanislawski, Zoning Administrator Osman, and City Intern White.
- 3. Approval of Minutes:**  
A motion was made by Peterson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Stanton, to approve the May 24, 2020 regular meeting minutes as presented. Upon roll call the motion carried unanimously.
- 4. Mayor's Comments**  
Mayor Bekken addressed council about representation from the city for a round table on Poverty with Christian Neighbors on Thursday, June 17, 2021.
- 5. City Manager's Report**  
City Manager Heise welcomed new City Clerk Gallagher and new City Intern White.
- 6. Approval of Agenda**
- 7. Guest Speakers**
  - A.** Brett Ensfield – Allegan County Sherriff's Department
- 8. Public Comment**  
Sherry Tedaldi – Reviewed her history of the Venetian Festival.  
Erin Wilkinson – Expressed her support of the Venetian Festival and the coordination of police and fire services.
- 9. Consent agenda**
- 10. Request for Payment**
  - A. Approval of Accounts Payable**  
A motion was made by Trester, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lewis, to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$44,515.34. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**11. Introductions of Ordinances**

**12. Public Hearings 27:57**

**13. Unfinished Business**

**A. Report from Strategic Meeting**

A motion was made by Trester, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Peterson to extend ordinance 210222-A for two additional months to expire August 23, 2021. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**14. New Business:**

**A. Commercial Tour Vehicle**

A motion was made by Peterson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trester to waive the 2021 Fee for the Harbor Duck Adventures, Co. and for the next cycle to begin in 2022 contingent upon having insurance and listing the City as additionally insured. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**B. Special Event – Venetian Festival:**

A motion was made by Lewis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Dean to approve Special Event Permit for the Venetian Festival with alcohol sales and live music ending at 11pm. Pending approval from DPW, Fire, and Police. Authorize City Staff to handle execution and details administratively. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**C. City Parking Fee**

A motion was made by Stanton, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lewis to increase the City Parking Fees from \$5 to \$10. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**D. Board Appointments**

A motion was made by Trester, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lewis to approve the Mayors appointments as presented. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**E. Set Public Hearing for 2021-2022 Budget to June 28, 2021**

A motion was made by Lewis, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Peterson to set a Public Hearing for the FY 2021-2022 Budget Hearing on June 28, 2021. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

**16. Public Comment**

Brent Birkholz – Welcomed new City Clerk Gallagher.

**17. Communications:**

**A. Interurban Update**

**B. MDOT Correspondence Temporary Light at Lake and Blue Star**

**18. Boards, Commissions & Committee Reports**

Scott Dean –Mount Baldhead update.

Garnet Lewis – Historic District Commission update and Tri Community Recycling Committee update.

**19. Council Comments**

**Council member Stanton** asked everyone to encourage the use of the Interurban to help relieve some of the downtown parking issues.

**Council member Leo** welcomed the new members of city staff.

**Council member Dean** welcomed the new members of city staff. Thanked Scott at DPW and his team for the good work keeping downtown looking nice.

**Council member Peterson** welcomed the new members of city staff. Thanked Scott at DPW and his team for the good work keeping downtown looking nice.

**Council member Peterson** is happy to see the Duck come back again this year.

**Council member Lewis** asked about the possibility of a sidewalk across the street from the Chain Ferry to the wood trail.

**20. Adjournment**

A motion was made by Peterson, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Trester to adjourn at 8:30 p.m. Motion carried unanimously by roll call vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Padley Gallagher

City Clerk