

Minutes

City Council Meeting

April 12, 2021 at 7: 00 pm

102 Butler St., Saugatuck, MI 49453

Due to COVID-19 restrictions currently in place, the meeting was held via Zoom.

1. Call to Order: Mayor Bekken called the meeting to order at 7: 00 pm.

2. Roll Call:

Present: Bekken (Douglas, MI - Allegan County), Dean (Saugatuck, MI - Allegan County), Leo (Saugatuck, MI - Allegan County), Lewis (Saugatuck, MI - Allegan County), Peterson (Key West, FL - Monroe County), Stanton (Saugatuck, MI - Allegan County), Trester (Kew West, FL - Monroe County)

Absent: None

Others Present: Ryan Heise - City Manager, Cindy Osman - Zoning Administrator, Erin Wilkinson - Clerk

3. Approval of Minutes:

1. Regular City Council Meeting of March 22, 2021 - A motion was made by Peterson, 2nd by Trester, to approve the minutes as presented. Upon roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.

2. Special City Council Meeting of March 31, 2021 - A motion was made by Stanton, 2nd by Lewis, to approve the minutes as presented. Upon roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.

4. Mayor's Comments: None

5. City Manager's Comments: None

6. Agenda Changes: A motion was made by Bekken, 2nd by Peterson, to strike Items 9A (Agreement - Spear Street Boat Launch) and 9B (Agreement - Culver Street Parking) under Consent Agenda and move them as 14D and 14E under New Business.

7. Guest Speakers:

1. Lt. Brett Ensfield - Allegan County Sheriff's Department: Deputy Flockstra is just finishing up training another deputy. Complaints have been minimal due to COVID and weather. The handful of complaints they have received regarding the Social District, appear to be mainly due to lack of communication regarding the rules.

8. Public Comment: Betsy York (non-resident) expressed support for the Trail Master Plan.

Ed Pynnonen (non-resident) expressed concern regarding the floating home

ordinance.

Kyle Konwinski (non-resident) expressed concern regarding the floating home ordinance.

Paulus Heule (non-resident) expressed concern regarding the floating home ordinance and opposition to the Dune Grass fence and proposed a reset with the City regarding these issues.

Matthew Peterson (resident) spoke on behalf of Saugatuck Yacht Service in opposition to the proposed floating home ordinance and offered to give council members an informational tour to learn more about what is existing.

9. Consent Agenda: A motion was made by Dean, 2nd by Lewis, to approve the consent agenda as amended. Upon roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.

- A. Resolution** - Social District for Butter and Whiskey
- B. Banner Sign Request** - Household Hazardous Waste
- C. Radar Building Request** - Historical Evaluation
- D. Proclamation** - Radar Hill Hiking Club

10. Request for Payment:

- A. Approval of Accounts Payable** A motion was made by Lewis, 2nd by Stanton, to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$57,178.60. Upon roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.

11. Introduction of Ordinances: None

12. Public Hearings: None

13. Unfinished Business: None

14. New Business:

- A. Special Event Permit** - A motion was made by Leo, 2nd by Dean, to approve the special event permit application for the Saugatuck Center for the Arts "Jump into Summer" event in Coghlin Park, and authorize staff to handle execution and details administratively. Upon roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.
- B. Floating Homes** - No action was taken. There was a consensus by council to conduct a special meeting to review the ordinance in more detail.
- C. Dune Grass Fence** - No action was taken. There was a consensus by council to conduct a special meeting to review the fence in more detail.
- D. Agreement - Spear Street Boat Launch** - A motion was made by Lewis, 2nd by Stanton, to approve the agreement as presented. Upon roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.
- E. Agreement - Culver Street Parking** - A motion was made by Lewis, 2nd by Dean, to approve the agreement as presented. Upon roll call vote the motion

carried unanimously.

15. Public Comments: Paulus Heule (non-resident) thanked council for organizing a special meeting to address the floating homes ordinance and Dune Grass Fence. He also expressed appreciation for Matt Peterson's suggestion to give council a tour of the work they are doing.

16. Communications:

- A. Bonnie Lowe** - Art Club Craft Fairs
- B. Bill Lint** - Park Street Safety
- C. Catherine Simon** - City Sidewalks
- D. Glenna DeJong** - Lowes Grant Nomination
- E. Jon Vanderbeek** - Tri-Community Trail Master Plan
- F. Jim Sullivan** - Rotary 4th of July Events

17. Boards, Commissions & Committee Reports: The council received reports on the following committees: Tri-Community Recycling Ad-Hoc Committee, Tri-Community Non-Motorized Trail Study Committee

18. Council Comments: Council Member Dean recognized and thanked Council Member Lewis for her work volunteering around COVID vaccination clinics and for organizing the Household Hazardous Waste day.

Council Member Stanton mentioned putting a temporary light at Lake Street and Blue Star Highway for the summer, while there is I-196 construction.

19. Adjourn A motion was made by Peterson, 2nd by Trester, to adjourn the meeting at 8: 03 pm. Upon roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Erin K. Wilkinson
City of Saugatuck Clerk