

Minutes
Saugatuck City Council
Saugatuck, Michigan, September 28, 2020 – 7:00 P.M.

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

1. **Call to Order** by Mayor Trester at 7:00 p.m.
2. **Attendance**
 - Present:** Bekken, Johnson, Leo, Lewis, Peterson, Trester, Verplank
 - Absent:** None
 - Others Present:** None
3. **Approval of Minutes:**
 - Regular City Council Meeting of September 14, 2020:** A motion was made by Johnson, 2nd by Peterson, to approve the meeting minutes of September 14, 2020 as amended. Upon roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.
4. **Mayor's Comments:** Local businesses are reporting great results from summer.
5. **City Manager's Comments:** None
6. **Agenda Changes:** None
7. **Guest Speakers:**
 - A. Lt. Brett Ensfield – Allegan Co. Sheriff Department
8. **Public Comment:**
 - A. **Lauren Stanton** (resident) regarding items 13 (B, D, and E), commented on the paid time off agreement with Mr. Kirk Harrier, pop up patios, and Christmas decorations.
 - B. **Todd Hoskins** (resident) regarding item 13(B), commented on the paid time off agreement with Mr. Kirk Harrier.
 - C. **Barbara Lucier** (resident) regarding item 16(B), commented on the proposed Park street non-motorized path.
 - D. **Dan Fox** (resident) regarding item 13(G), commented on the Blue Star Trail Non-Motorized Trail Committee.
 - E. **Jane Underdown** (resident) regarding item 13(G), asked for clarification between the Blue Star and Park street non-motorized paths.
 - F. **Scott Dean** (resident) regarding 13(B), commented on the Paid Time Off agreement.
 - G. **Kim Bowden** (resident) regarding 13(F), commented on the Shoreline Alteration and Erosion Control resolution.
9. **Request for Payment:** A motion was made by Lewis, 2nd by Leo, to approve the accounts payable in the amount of \$2,431,919.66. Upon roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.
10. **Introduction of Ordinances:** None
11. **Public Hearings:** None

12. Unfinished Business: None

13. New Business:

- A. Reappoint Kathy Johnson to Interurban Transit Authority Board:** A motion was made by Peterson, 2nd by Verplank, to approve the reappointment of Kathy Johnson to the Interurban Transit Authority Board to a four-year term expiring September 30, 2024. Upon roll call vote the motion carried by the following vote:
Yes (6): Peterson, Bekken, Trestor, Verplank, Leo, Lewis
No (0):
Abstention (1): Johnson
- B. Paid Time Off Agreement:** A motion was made by Peterson, 2nd by Verplank, to approve the Paid Time Off Agreement between the City of Saugatuck and Mr. Kirk Harrier as presented and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to effectuate the agreement. Upon roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.
- C. City Manager Executive Search Firm:** A motion was made by Lewis, 2nd by Bekken, to approve the proposal of Walsh Consulting, LLC, for conducting the City Manager Search. Upon roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.
- D. Pop Up Patio November Extension:** A motion was made by Peterson, 2nd by Johnson, to approve the Zoning Administrator authority to extend these permits through November 30, 2020. Upon roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.
- E. Chip's Groundcover Christmascape Proposal:** A motion was made by Peterson, 2nd by Johnson, to approve the proposal dated 09-21-2020 R1 from Chip's Groundcover in the amount of \$21,145 to provide holiday lighting services to the City of Saugatuck and authorize the Mayor and the City Clerk to effectuate the agreement contingent on City Council approving a budget amendment at the October 12, 2020 regular meeting to appropriate the necessary funds. Upon roll call vote the motion carried by the following vote:
Yes (6): Peterson, Bekken, Trestor, Verplank, Leo
No (1): Lewis
- F. Resolution No. 200928-A: Requesting Action Regarding Shoreline Alterations and Erosion Control Items Impeding Public Beach Walking:** A motion was made by Johnson, 2nd by Peterson, to approve Resolution No. 200928-A as presented. Upon roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.
- G. Resolution No. 200928-B: Non-Motorized Trail Committee:** A motion was made by Peterson, 2nd by Leo, to approve resolution No. 200928-B as presented. Upon roll call vote the motion carried unanimously.

14. Consent Agenda: None

15. Public Comments:

- A. Gary Medler** (resident) commented on the resolution on Shoreline Alterations and Erosion Control.
- B. Barbara Lucier** (resident) commented on the upcoming election.
- C. Todd Hoskins** (resident) commented on personnel retention and attracting a new city manager.
- D. Jane Underwood** (resident) commented on the non-motorized trail on Park street and public safety.

16. Communications:

- A. Sheriff Office Incident Analysis Report (9/14/2020-9/23/2020)** (Accepted as Information)

B. Jon Moxey Fleis & Vandenbrink - Park Street Non-Motorized Survey (Accepted as Information)

17. Boards, Commissions & Committee Reports: Council received reports from the following committees: KLSWA, Fire Board, Planning Commission, and Recycling Committee.

18. Council Comments: Council Member Lewis provided an update on the recycling survey.

Council Member Peterson provided an update on donations for the Christmascape.

19. Adjournment: A motion was made by Peterson, 2nd by Lewis, to adjourn at 8:28 p.m. Upon roll call vote the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted,

Erin Wilkinson
Saugatuck City Clerk