# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL JANUARY 3, 2018

### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Hugh R. Marshall,

and Veronica Paiz.

ABSENT: Councilperson Vivian Sawicki.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Randolph Skotarczyk, City Attorney J.

Russell LaBarge and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 01-01-18

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To excuse Councilperson Sawicki from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 01-02-18 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held December 18, 2017 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held November 16, 2017.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 01-03-18

#### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 112740 through 112867 in the amount of \$630,949.74 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment in the amount of \$6,233.00 to the Michigan Municipal League for membership dues covering the period February 1, 2018 through January 31, 2019.
- 3. approve payment in the amount of \$8,825.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several watermain breaks and repair/replacement of stop boxes at various residential locations.
- 4. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$7,173.79 for professional services during the month of December 2017 for the following projects: Housing Rehab, #180-178; 8 Mile Traffic Signal Upgrade, #180-179; Littlestone Resurfacing, #180-186; 2017 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-188; New AT&T Cabinet, 20502 Harper, #180-197; 2018 Gas Main Replacement, #180-198; Comcast Permit, 21001 Moross, #180-200 and Comcast, 17890 Vernier, #180-201.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 01-04-18

# MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LIABILITY AND PROPERTY INSURANCE - RENEWAL

#### RESOLUTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to renew the City's participation in the Michigan Municipal League's Liability and Property Pool for 2018 in the amount of \$223,687.00 for coverage as stated in their renewal proposal and, further that competitive bidding be waived in accordance with City policy.

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**JANUARY 3, 2018** 

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 01-05-18

#### 2018 FEE SCHEDULE

## RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the attached 2018 Schedule of Fees establishing various fees for Housing Registration, Business Licenses, Plumbing, Building, Electrical and Mechanical Permits, Miscellaneous City Clerk, Department of Public Works, Police Department and Fire Department Fees as submitted by the City Manager with said fees to be effective immediately.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Poynter and Jenny.

NO: Costantino. ABSENT: Sawicki.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

#### CM 01-06-18 MILK RIVER - OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

#### RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$240,136.25 for the operation and maintenance of the Milk River Drain for the period October through December 2017.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

### CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Schenburn commented about several homes that failed to shovel their snow during the recent snow events.

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor remarked on an outstanding job the DPW did plowing snow during the recent large snow falls. He also mentioned the arrival of Santa at the Detroit City Airport and what an enjoyable event this is. He then wished everyone a Happy New Year.

Councilwoman Paiz agreed that the snow plowing by the DPW was certainly timely as she noted the workers were out at 12:45 a.m. Christmas morning and that they did a great job. She also mentioned the recent home invasion on Country Club and that the new K9 officer and Kaiser were instrumental in apprehending the thieves. Lastly she wanted to commend the police department for assisting with a dog that was left out in the cold.

Councilman Marshall commented on residents who are out blowing their snow prior to 7 a.m. asking how this could be addressed as it is against the ordinance.

Councilwoman Kindle congratulated Deputy Chief Stager for his completion of training at the FBI Academy and suggested that he be publicly recognized for his efforts.

CM 01-07-18 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Marshall:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	
KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL JANUARY 17, 2018

## **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino,

Tom Jenny, Hugh R. Marshall, Veronica Paiz and Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle.

OTHERS PRESENT: Deputy City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City

Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M.

Frank.

CM 01-08-18

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To excuse Mayor Pro tem Kindle from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Kindle.

#### MOTION CARRIED

CM 01-09-18 <u>MINUTES</u>

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held January 3, 2018.

ABSENT: Kindle.

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 01-10-18

#### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. Approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 112868 through 112940 in the amount of \$82,410.98 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. Approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$27,366.30 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of December 2017.
- 3. Approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$17,668.00 for sidewalk salting and snow removal in various residential and commercial areas of the City.
- 4. Approve the reappointments to the various boards and commissions as listed on the attached memorandum from the City Clerk.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None. ABSENT: Kindle.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 01-11-18 OPEN PUBLIC HEARING - 2018 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

to open the Public Hearing on the 2018 Community Development Block Grant Funds.

ABSENT: Kindle.

#### PUBLIC HEARING

Councilperson Sawicki asked for clarification on the ADA ramps saying the locations and target area are not clearly defined. Director Hinton will make the clarification prior to the next public hearing.

# CM 01-12-18 CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING - 2018 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To close the Public Hearing on the 2018 Community Development Block Grant Funds.

ABSENT: Kindle.

#### MOTION CARRIED

### CM 01-13-18 <u>LEASE OF NEW COPIER</u>

### RESOLUTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the proposal from Premier Business Products for the 60 month lease of one (1) Toshiba 6506act copy machine not to exceed \$900.00 per month, including all toner, labor and parts and additionally all toner and service to 11 existing laser printers in the City Manager's office, Clerk's office, building department and the Finance/Treasurer's department.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None. ABSENT: Kindle.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

#### CM 01-14-18 ACCEPTANCE OF WAYNE COUNTY RECREATION GRANT

#### RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to authorize the agreement between the County of Wayne and the City of Harper Woods for Improvements to Salter and Johnston Park and further to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None. ABSENT: Kindle.

#### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

#### CM 01-15-18 MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE - CAPITAL CONFERENCE

#### RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED authorize those Councilmembers interested to attend the Michigan Municipal League's Annual Legislative Conference on March 20-21, 2018 with the City paying all necessary and related expenses.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny and Marshall.

NO: None. ABSENT: Kindle.

#### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

#### CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Cadotte shared that he was deeply disturbed that for the second time in six months a home invasion has occurred and he hoped the Judge would impart the maximum penalty on the criminals. He also commended the Public Safety Department for apprehending the criminals. He then mentioned that in Detroit there have been legal challenges regarding home inspections.

Mr. Cotton stated that the Parks and Recreation trailer should have the name on it so the public is aware of where it is. He then said the walking club will return in April.

Mr. Schenburn complained about several rental homes and problems with the landlords who he feels are not taking care of their properties allowing them to fall into disrepair. He then said that emergency vehicles cannot get through on Woodside and Beaconsfield due to school drop off and pick up.

## CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor told the audience the Opiate Awareness Forum was in progress at the High School.

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Councilperson Paiz addressed Mr. Cadotte's concerns saying the home invasions are drug related and not random.

CM 01-16-18

# **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Marshall:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:24 p.m.

ABSENT: Kindle.	
MOTION CARRIED	
KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL FEBRUARY 5, 2018

#### MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

# **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino. Tom Jenny. Veronica Paiz

and Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: Councilperson Hugh R. Marshall.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Randolph Skotarczyk, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

#### PRESENTATION

Senator Burt Johnson gave an overview of the present climate in Lansing and spoke about several legislative issues including DEQ grants, replacing City infrastructure and about a ballot proposal to fully legalize the use of marijuana.

CM 02-17-18 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held January 17, 2018 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held December 17, 2017 and the Planning Commission meeting held January 24, 2018.

ABSENT: Marshall.

MOTION CARRIED

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Tenisha Yancey announced coffee hour to be held the first Monday of each month at the Big Boy Restaurant in Grosse Pointe Woods.

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CM 02-18-18

#### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 112945 through 113137 in the amount of \$1,046,891.52 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$6,039.63 for professional services during the month of January 2018 for the following projects: Water Main Asset Plan, #180-199; 2017 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-188; Littlestone Resurfacing, #180-186; Housing Rehab Project, #180-178; 2018 Gas Main Replacement, #180-198; Comcast, #180-200 and the 2020 Federal Aid, #180-194.
- 3. approve payment to Oakland County Information Technology in the amount of \$6,662.25 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the Police Department.
- 4. approve payment in the amount of \$9,232.56 to Grosse Pointe Woods for the City's pro-rata portion of the operating and maintenance of the Torrey Road Pump Station for the period July 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017.
- 5. approve payment to the City of Grosse Pointe Farms in the amount of \$13,976.27 for Harper Woods' proportionate share of the Intermunicipal Radio System for the period July 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017.
- 6. approve payment to Litho Printing Service, Inc. in the amount of \$6,430.00 for the printing of the 2018 City calendar.
- 7. approve payment to Visicom Services, Inc. in the amount of \$5,054.73 for the routine IT support, email hosting and backups for our computer system as well as the purchase and installation of one new computers and monitors for the building department.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 02-19-18 OPEN PUBLIC HEARING - 2018 COMMUNITY

<u>DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT</u>

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

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to open the public hearing on the 2018 Community Development Block Grant Program.

ABSENT: Marshall.

# MOTION CARRIED

#### PUBLIC HEARING

No comments were made.

CM 02-20-18 CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING - 2018 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki: to close the public hearing on the 2018 Community Development Block Grant Program.

ABSENT: Marshall.

### MOTION CARRIED

#### CM 02-21-18 ADOPT 2018 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED adopt the 2018 Community Development Block Grant Program as

follows: Housing Rehab \$36,733.80

Pointe Area Assisted Transit

 Service (PAATS)
 \$12,000.00

 ADA Ramps/Sidewalk Repair
 \$30,000.00

 Administration
 \$ 8,748.20

 Total
 \$87,482.00

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

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### CM 02-22-18 THERMAL IMAGING CAMERA PURCHASE

RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the purchase of twelve (12) Seek Fire Pro Thermal Imaging Cameras, six (6) for the Police Department and six (6) for the fire department from Paul Conway Fire in the amount of \$7,800.00.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 02-23-18 SOFTWARE AGREEMENT - CITY INSIGHT

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to authorize the Software License and Services agreement between the City of Harper Woods and City Insight, LLC for the Mobile Water Application with a first year cost of \$20,000 and subsequent annual licensing fee of \$6,000 and maintenance fee of \$1,500 thereafter.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

#### CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Cadotte mentioned that the software is expensive and he believes the savings cannot pay for the project. He compared it to the Smart meters which recently caused much discussion.

Mr. Aubrey Vann stated he would like to see garbage cans provided to residents.

Mr. Serrano asked if Nona's restaurant is still planning to move to Kelly Rd. He also mentioned Hunters Pharmacy closing and asked if Kroger would be closing.

Mr. Serriaocco said he was confused about the software purchase saying it appeared

that our taxes are paying for residents who do not pay their bills.

Ms. Diana Ticu of Country Club said she liked the software idea and hoped an e-statement could be implemented.

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor shared that the MLK day program at Grosse Pointe South was excellent and also mentioned it was the location of King's first "I had a dream" speech. He mentioned the opioid meeting held two weeks ago and that he recently spoke at the Grosse Pointe Women's club about the past, present and future of Harper Woods. He was also in attendance at the Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce banquet and the Insider's Guide to the Pointes will now include Harper Woods. Next, he complimented the DPW for snow removal. Then he shared that the owners of 20477 Kenosha sent rehab updates which include improvements to kitchen, bath, windows, etc and the property is listed for sale as promised.

Councilperson Paiz announced a meet and greet to be held on the 8<sup>th</sup> of this month with Officer Johnson and K-9 Kaiser when he will be presented with his bullet proof vest. She then shared that she was originally skeptical about the water app but now feels it answers many residents questions regarding usage and billing.

Councilperson Sawicki said that the City of Detroit has been promoting this app and she is confident if it works well for them it will work for Harper Woods and our residents will be happy with it.

Councilperson Paiz questioned if Starters restaurant will be open soon and it was explained they are waiting for the liquor license and that the entire interior has been remodeled.

CM 02-24-18 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by , SUPPORTED by :

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:28 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL FEBRUARY 21, 2018

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Hugh R.

Marshall, and Veronica Paiz.

ABSENT: Councilperson Vivian Sawicki.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Randolph Skotarczyk, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 02-25-18

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Marshall:

To excuse Councilperson Sawicki from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 02-26-18 MINUTES

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held February 5, 2018 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Ordinance Committee meetings held December 4, 2017 and February 5, 2018.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 02-27-18

#### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 113144 through 113230 in the amount of \$421,721.00 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$42,481.80 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of January 2018.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, and Poynter.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 02-28-18 SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING - 2018 PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

to schedule a public hearing to be held on Monday, March 5, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of hearing comment and input on the Harper Woods 2018 Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

#### MOTION CARRIED

CM 02-29-18 ACTUARIAL SERVICE PROPOSAL - CBIZ BENEFITS AND INSURANCE BENEFITS, INC.

RESOLUTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

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BE IT RESOLVED to accept the low bid submitted by CBIZ Benefits and Insurance Services, Inc. for actuarial services in the amount of \$15,000.00.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

# CM 02-30-18 BID AWARD - CDBG REHABILITATION PROGRAM

RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by We Preserve Michigan LLC in the amount of \$23,309.00 for rehab work to be provided at 19437 Roscommon as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Poynter, Costantino and Jenny.

NO: None

ABSENT: Sawicki.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 02-31-18 RECEIVE AND FILE - DRINKING WATER ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

to receive and file the City of Harper Woods Drinking Water Asset Management Plan and further to direct AEW, Inc. to forward a corrected, complete copy to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality on behalf of the City.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

# MOTION CARRIED

CM 02-32-18 ADD ITEM TO AGENDA - POVERTY EXEMPTION RESOLUTION AND APPLICATION

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

Add to the agenda the City of Harper Woods Poverty Exemption Resolution and Application.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

## MOTION CARRIED

# CM 02-33-18 ADOPTION OF POVERTY EXEMPTION RESOLUTION AND APPLICATION FOR THE CITY OF HARPER WOODS

RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino: to adopt the Resolution for Poverty Exemption and further to adopt the Poverty Exemption Application of the City of Harper Woods.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

#### CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Schenburn spoke about scouting and citizenship. He then inquired about snow removal and the number of tickets issued saying fewer residents shoveled their snow. He mentioned an abandoned home on Lansdowne where the boards had been removed.

Mr. Cadotte remarked on the drinking water plan and the City's infrastructure. He questioned if there was a way to inventory and change service lines to homes as the lines are the homeowner's responsibility.

## CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor commended the Department of Public Works for their excellent job of snow removal. He then spoke about working with University of Michigan urban planning students and that he walked Kelly Road with the Economic Director. He mentioned the outstanding meeting of Kelly Road business owners and expressed confidence that good things are going to happen in the City.

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

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LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

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# **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Marshall: That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:24 p.m.	, the
ABSENT: Sawicki.	
MOTION CARRIED	

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL MARCH 5, 2018

### MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Hugh R.

Marshall, Veronica Paiz and Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Randolph Skotarczyk, City Attorney J.

Russell LaBarge and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 03-35-18 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held February 21, 2018.

### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 03-36-18 CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 113232 through 113351 in the amount of \$228,453.02 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.

- approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$13,930.56 for professional services during the month of February 2018 for the following projects: Watermain Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-199; Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; 2017 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-188; Littlestone Repair, #180-186; 2018 Gas Main Replacement, #180-198; Comcast, #180-200; SRF Open Cut Repairs, #180-119 and the 8 Mile Traffic Signal Upgrade, #180-179.
- 3. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$11,216.00 for sidewalk salting and snow removal in various residential and commercial areas of the City.
- 4. approve payment in the amount of \$7,490.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with an emergency watermain repair and snow plowing at various locations within the City.
- 5. approve payment to Michigan Supreme Court Finance in the amount of \$5,061.37 for software support on the district court's computer system.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 03-37-18 OPEN PUBLIC HEARING - 2018 PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

MOTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Sawicki: to open the Public Hearing on the 2018 Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

#### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### PUBLIC HEARING

Planning Consultant Sarah Traxler of McKenna Associates gave an overview of the plan and how it was collaborated by both the Planning Commission and the Recreation Advisory Board. Mr. Cadotte questioned who the parks would be open to. Councilperson Paiz asked who the stakeholder groups were and Councilperson Sawicki asked if goals and objectives have been prioritized. Coucilperson Kindle wondered if the discussions included a recreation facility.

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CM 03-38-18

## CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING - 2018 PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

to close the Public Hearing on the 2018 Parks and Recreation Master Plan.

## MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### CM 03-39-18 ADOPT 2018 PARKS AND RECREATION MASTER PLAN

RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED adopt the Resolution of Adoption as attached hereby adopting the 2018 Parks and Recreation Master Plan and further to direct the Planning Consultant, McKenna Associates to distribute the Plan to the necessary entities, Wayne County, SEMCOG and the Michigan Department of Natural Resources.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CM 03-40-18 AUDIT PROPOSAL - PLANTE MORAN

RESOLUTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED accept the proposal dated November 29, 2017 submitted by Plante and Moran for auditing services in the amount of \$42,075 for the 2017 audit.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Alexander of Rockcastle representing a number of Pointe Garden residents, spoke about a number of problems they were experiencing.

Reverend Marshall Murphy of Redeemer Church described a beautification project they

are planning which includes flowering gardens and a small community vegetable garden.

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

Mayor Poynter commended the Public Works department for their snow removal efforts after a recent snowfall. He then spoke about the recent black history event at HWHS saying it was the biggest turnout so far and very well done. He mentioned that the school advisory board elaborated on enhancing school programs and improving the district.

Councilperson Sawicki questioned the possibility of having a City wide collection prior to the Wayne County sponsored hazardous waste collections at several downriver communities with perhaps our DPW delivering any dropoffs from Harper Wood's residents to these locations.

Councilperson Kindle thanked the Pointe Garden representative for his attendance and commented that she did not want to allow slum landlords to continue to keep their properties while not responding to their tenants issues. She then mentioned she was grateful to our Public Safety Department for their assistance with her recent accident.

Councilperson Costantino pointed out that there was a famous presence in tonight's audience in the person of George Cotton as the international pickle ball ambassador.

#### CM 03-41-18 EXECUTIVE SESSION - EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing an employee evaluation and agreement.

#### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 7:38 p.m. and reconvened at 9:02 p.m.

#### CM 03-42-18 ADD ITEM TO AGENDA - CITY MANAGER EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino: Add to the agenda the employment agreement for the City Manager.

## MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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## CM 03-43-18 <u>CITY MANAGER EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT</u>

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the three year employment agreement between the City of Harper Woods and Joseph Rheker III for the position of City Manager with the exception of Section 4, Annual Vacation Leave which shall be amended to state, Vacation of 15 days for the first year, 20 days for the second year and 25 days for the third year.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: Kindle

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 03-44-18 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

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MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	
KENNETH A. POYNTER. MAYOR	LESUE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL MARCH 19, 2018

### MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

# **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino,

Tom Jenny, Hugh R. Marshall and Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle and Councilperson Veronica Paiz.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Randolph Skotarczyk, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

### CM 03-45-18 EXCUSE COUNCILPERSON(S) KINDLE AND PAIZ

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To excuse Councilperson(s) Kindle and Paiz from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Kindle and Paiz

MOTION CARRIED

CM 03-46-18 MINUTES

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held March 5, 2018, and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held February 28, 2018 and the Beautification Commission meeting held March 12, 2018.

ABSENT: Kindle and Paiz

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 03-47-18

#### CONSENT AGENDA

#### RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 113352 through 113433 in the amount of \$674,739.89 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment in the amount of \$6,100.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with plowing and snow removal following a recent snowfall.
- 3. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$51,070.40 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of February 2018.
- 4. approve the final payment to State of Michigan Department of Transportation in the amount of \$7,661.69 for the completion of the Traffic Signal Modernization project.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Marshall, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Kindle and Paiz

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 03-48-18

SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARINGS -SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

#### MOTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

to schedule a public hearing on April 2, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comment on the continuation of a Special Assessment District and further to schedule a second public hearing on April 16, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the effect of the Special Assessment on the tax roll.

ABSENT: Kindle and Paiz

# CM 03-49-18 MILK RIVER - OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$240,136.25 for the operation and maintenance of the Milk River Drain for January through March 2018 and \$55,589.26 for the City's proportionate share of the SRF Project interest for a total of \$295,725.51.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Jenny, Marshall, Sawicki, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Kindle and Paiz

### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

## CM 03-50-18 METRO ACT PERMIT APPLICATION - VERIZON

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

to remove the Right of Way Telecommunications Permit application as submitted by MCImetro Access Transmission Services Corp, d/b/a Verizon Access Transmission Services and refer it back to the City Manager.

ABSENT: Kindle and Paiz

#### MOTION CARRIED

#### CM 03-51-18 METRO ACT PERMIT APPLICATION - HORIZON

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

to remove the Right of Way Telecommunications Permit application as submitted by The Chillicothe Telephone Company d/b/a Horizon Network Partners and refer it back to the City Manager.

ABSENT: Kindle and Paiz

## CM 03-52-18 CDBG SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT - WAYNE COUNTY

### RESOLUTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the Subrecipient Agreement for Community Development Block Grant between the Charter County of Wayne, the City of Harper Woods and the five Grosse Pointe Communities for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2022 and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Marshall, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino and Jenny.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Kindle and Paiz

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 03-53-18 INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND HARPER WOODS ZONING ORDINANCE , DISTRICT RS-1, REGIONAL SHOPPING, SECTIONS 10-660 THROUGH 10-665

#### RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and place for first reading an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to Amend District RS-1, Regional Shopping District, Sections 10-660 through 10-665", and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny and Marshall.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Kindle and Paiz

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 03-54-18 ACCEPTANCE OF DISTRESSED CITIES GRANT; LED LIGHTING FOR SAFER STREETS

#### RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the attached Resolution accepting the State of Michigan's Financially Distressed Cities, Villages and Townships (FDCVT) grant in the amount of up to \$150,000 toward the implementation of "LED Lighting for Safer Streets," and further to

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authorize the City Manager to sign all of the necessary documents required by the State of Michigan.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, Marshall and Sawicki.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Kindle and Paiz

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 03-55-18 AGREEMENT - HONEYWELL INTERNATIONAL, INC.

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the agreement from Honeywell International, Inc., dated March 14, 2018 to perform all of the work designated in the scope of work as stated in the agreement documents in the amount not to exceed \$838,584.00, to be paid in two installments of \$419,292.00 and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Marshall, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Kindle and Paiz

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 03-56-18 FAREWELL AND OATH OF OFFICE FOR THE NEW CITY MANAGER

The Mayor and Council offered their congratulations and kind words to the retiring City manager. The City Clerk then swore in the new City Manager with the Oath of Office.

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Hussain Ali, principal of Poupard elementary announced a Leadership Day event that is being held at Poupard on March 28 beginning at 8:45 a.m. and invited everyone interested to attend.

Mr. Dick Williams of Honeywell International thanked the City Council for their vote of

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confidence with approving the agreement with his firm tonight.

Mr. Binder mentioned that the Free Press pink bags that were being distributed throughout the community are back and asked if we could do something about it. He also mentioned a house on Washtenaw that has serious structural issues and stated that it should be condemned.

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilman Jenny thanked the City Manager for his service and for his mentoring in the beginning of his tenure on Council.

Councilwoman Costantino commented that she believes that Randy has been responsible for keeping Harper Woods afloat and that he is equally respected and trusted by employees and Council alike. His knowledge and experience along with the warmth and depth of his character were pivotal in turning the City around.

Councilwoman Sawicki shared a memory of meeting him several years back for the first time at a neighborhood meeting. She was also quite relieved when she heard that Randy agreed to come back when he did to assist us and she thanked him for all his hard work.

Councilman Marshall jokingly said he had nothing good to say at all...He then shared a memory of Randy speaking with him and his neighbors following a murder investigation on his block and how his tactfulness and compassion at the situation eased everyone and made them feel safe and that he will always be grateful for that. He also stated that Randy is a very intelligent person who, with faith in his vision, singlehandedly spearheaded the saving of this city.

CM 03-57-18

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

ABSENT: Kindle and Paiz	
MOTION CARRIED	
KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL APRIL 2, 2018

### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Tom Jenny, Hugh R. Marshall, Veronica Paiz and

Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: Councilperson Cheryl A. Costantino.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney J.

Russell LaBarge and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

#### CM 04-58-18 EXCUSE COUNCILPERSON COSTANTINO

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To excuse Councilperson Costantino from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Costantino.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 04-59-18 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held March 19, 2018 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meetings held on January 28, 2018 and February 15, 2018, and the Board of Review meeting held on March 12, 2018.

ABSENT: Costantino.

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

## CM 04-60-18 ADD ITEM TO AGENDA -LIBRARY BOARD APPOINTMENT

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki: Add to the agenda the appointment of Library Board Trustee.

ABSENT: Costantino.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 04-61-18

#### CONSENT AGENDA

#### RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Marshall:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 113434 through 113541 in the amount of \$295,126.81 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing
- approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$11,365.28 for professional services during the month of February 2018 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Plan, #180-202; 2016 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-176; 2017 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-188; Littlestone Resurfacing, #180-186; 2021 Federal Call for Aid, #180-203; Bahr v. Harper Woods, #180-189 and 8 Mile Traffic Signal Upgrade, #180-179.
- 3. approve payment to Visicom Services, Inc. in the amount of \$7,530.25 for the routine IT support, email hosting and backups for our entire computer system.
- 4. approve the appointment of Veronica Salciccioli to the Library Board of Trustees with her term expiring in January, 2023.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino.

#### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

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CM 04-62-18 OPEN PUBLIC HEARING - CONTINUATION OF A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny: to open the Public Hearing on the Continuation of a Special Assessment District.

ABSENT: Costantino.

MOTION CARRIED

## PUBLIC HEARING

No comments or discussion from the public.

CM 04-63-18 CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING - CONTINUATION OF <u>A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT</u>

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle: to close the Public Hearing on the Continuation of a Special Assessment District.

ABSENT: Costantino.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 04-64-18 ADOPT RESOLUTIONS - SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the attached resolutions to continue a Special Assessment District in the City of Harper Woods.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, and Jenny.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

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CM 04-65-18

## PURCHASE OF PREP RADIOS

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the purchase of five (5) APX 6000 Prep radios from Motorola Solutions in the amount of \$19,782.50 and further that competitive bidding be waived as these were bid through the State of Michigan Purchasing Contract.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 04-66-18

AWARD OF BID - CONCRETE PAVEMENT REPAIR PROJECT, # 180-204

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED Accept the low bid submitted by L. Anthony Construction in the amount of \$63,625.00 as the Harper Woods portion for the Harper Woods/Grosse Pointe Woods 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair Program, #180-204/#160-400.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Jenny, Kindle, and Marshall.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

#### CALL TO AUDIENCE

Juddie Hinton of Williamsburg Ct. asked a question regarding which department handles civil suit forms and complained she is not receiving the help she requires in receiving the correct forms.

Mr. Cadotte asked what repairs are scheduled for our roads and the amount of money received for the repairs.

Ms. Honto commended the police for corralling the pot bellied pig. She then mentioned the Grosse Pointe News article which featured the Grosse Pointe K-9 officer Duke rather than

Kaiser being a part of a Harper Woods case. (The City Manager said it was his day off.)

Lastly, she informed residents of an upcoming fundraising Pancake Breakfast for Kaiser to be held at Redeemer Church on April 14 from 8am - 11am.

Mr. Binder shared that he observed a garbage hauler dropping garbage in the street and that he confronted him and then reported him to GFL.

## CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor mentioned last week's retirement event for the former City Manager saying it was a nice send off from the employees and neighbors and that he will be missed. He then expressed his confidence in the new City Manager. He further spoke about attending the Poupard school leadership day saying it was a worthy event with a great group of students.

Councilperson Marshall said in regards to the prep radios that \$10,000 is coming from forfeiture funds.

Councilperson Sawicki shared that in a Grosse Pointe Patch online article about the recent Grosse Pointe Park fires the presence of the Harper Woods Fire Department was not mentioned which she found upsetting.

Councilperson Paiz told of listening to a police scanner and hearing the fire alarms coming in as well as the Harper Woods commander giving instructions on the scene of those fires. She next mentioned the April 14<sup>th</sup> pancake breakfast and that it is a fund raiser for Kaiser. She then spoke about the MML conference she attended saying it was an opportunity to meet other city managers across the State and noted the Council salary in Harper Woods is considerably lower than other areas.

Councilperson Kindle talked about her attendance at the same conference as a learning experience and that many cities share our struggles. She also spoke regarding her experience at the NLC conference in Washington D.C. giving her the opportunity to meet senators and congress members. She shared information about a future bill for special revenue to hard hit cities.

Councilperson Paiz added more information on the bill and said Michigan ranks 50<sup>th</sup> in the country for revenue sharing.

Councilperson Kindle guestioned how to get rubbish bins like the Grosse Pointes.

Councilperson Paiz suggested through a GPW councilmember that she recognized from

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the audience, we could get some information about these bins.

Councilperson Jenny recognized the new Library Trustee who introduced herself and shared some of her background information.

CM 04-67-18

### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Marshall:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

ABSENT: Costantino.		
MOTION CARRIED		

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL APRIL 16, 2018

### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**ROLL CALL** 

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Hugh R. Marshall

and Veronica Paiz.

ABSENT: Councilperson Sawicki.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 04-67-18 EXCUSE COUNCILPERSON SAWICKI

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To excuse Councilperson Sawicki from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 04-68-18 <u>MINUTES</u>

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held April 2, 2018.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

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## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 04-69-18

### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 113542 through 113633 in the amount of \$507,371.71 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Oakland County Information Technology in the amount of \$8,798.25 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the Police Department.
- 3. approve payment to Badger Meter in the amount of \$5,870.00 for the purchase of 24 Orion 5/8" meters and 12 Orion 5/8" automatic read water meter tops.
- 4. approve payment to Bodman PLC in the amount of \$12,000.00 for legal services rendered as bond counsel in connection with proposed qualified energy conservation bonds.
- 5. approve payment to Plante & Moran in the amount of \$12,023.00 in connection with assistance to the finance department and for professional services performed in conjunction with the 2017 audit.
- 6. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$49,533.00 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of March 2018.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, and Poynter.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 04-70-18 OPEN PUBLIC HEARING - 15 MILL LEVY TO DEFRAY
THE COSTS TO CONTINUE THE MAINTENANCE
OF POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION

MOTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To open the Public Hearing on the levying of a 15 mill assessment to defray the costs

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to continue the maintenance of police and fire protection.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

No comments or discussion from the public.

# CM 04-71-18 CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING - 15 MILL LEVY TO DEFRAY THE COSTS TO CONTINUE THE MAINTENANCE OF POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To close the Public Hearing on the levying of a 15 mill assessment to defray the costs to continue the maintenance of police and fire protection.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 04-72-18 LEVY OF THE 15 MILL ASSESSMENT

## RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to direct the City Assessor to spread the assessment levy of 15 mills on the taxable value of all lands and premises within the municipal boundaries of the City of Harper Woods to defray the costs to continue maintenance and operations of police and fire (10 mills for police and 5 for fire).

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

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CM 04-73-18

SUPPLEMENTAL RESOLUTION NO. 1 AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF GENERAL OBLIGATION LIMITED TAX BOND, SERIES 2017

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Marshall:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the Supplemental Resolution No. 1 to Resolution No. CM 11-203-17.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 04-74-18 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 4 (FINAL) 2016 CONCRETE PAVEMENT REPAIR PROGRAM, PROJECT #180-176

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED Approve payment to L. Anthony Construction Inc. in the amount of \$9,652.60 for Progress Payment No. 4 (Final) on the 2016 Concrete Pavement Repair Program, Project #180-176.

### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Marshall, Paiz, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 04-75-18 AWARD OF BID - CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

## RESOLUTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by Annointed Construction, LLC. in the amount of \$28,462.00 for rehab work to be provided at 19207 Washtenaw, as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Paiz, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, and Marshall.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 04-76-18 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION - ORDINANCE NO. 2018-01 TO AMEND HARPER WOODS ZONING ORDINANCE, DISTRICT RS 1, REGIONAL SHOPPING, SECTIONS 10-660 THROUGH 10-665

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2018-01, entitled "An Ordinance to Amend District RS-1-Regional Shopping District, Sections 10-660 to 10-665," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, and Paiz.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Ms. Courtney shared several events with the residents; DEA Drug take back event on April 28<sup>th</sup>, free zoo admission for seniors on April 25<sup>th</sup> and that May 16 is Older Michiganians Day.

Mr. Cadotte asked if state law can override an ordinance pertaining to medical marijuana. He expressed concern over speeding on streets as the weather gets warmer and suggested speeding ticket costs could pay for an additional police officer.

Mr. Williams of Honeywell thanked Mayor and Council for approval of the resolution authorizing issuance of General Obligation bonds.

## CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor announced that the earth day clean up is April 21<sup>st</sup> and Little League opening day and parade will be held on April 28.

Councilperson Paiz clarified the location for Little League opening day. She then mentioned that a section of Harper Avenue will be closed through April 23<sup>rd</sup>. She next shared that the recent K-9 pancake breakfast raised \$2,600.00 and the GPAAS "Gimme

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Shelter" fundaiser will be coming in May. There may also be a GPAAS event this summer to get pets licensed and try to reduce boarding costs for pets by reuniting them with their owner more quickly.

Councilperson Marshall commented on the Harper/Service Drive work and wondered if the stop sign there would be permanently removed.

Councilperson Kindle spoke about a vigil and evening of action for ending gun violence at St. Clare Church on April 20. She then mentioned that St. John Providence Mobile Heart and Vascular Screening Center would like to offer their services in Harper Woods. She then shared a request for a proclamation for WCCCD and Dr. Ivery prior to their 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary in May.

CM 04-76-18

## ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL MAY 7, 2018

## MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz,

and Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: Councilperson Hugh R. Marshall.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

## CM 05-77-18 EXCUSE COUNCILPERSON MARSHALL

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To excuse Councilperson Marshall from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Marshall.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 05-78-18 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held April 16, 2018 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held March 15, 2018.

ABSENT: Marshall.

MOTION CARRIED

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 05-79-18

### CONSENT AGENDA

## RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 113635 through 113781 in the amount of \$940,529.83 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Badger Meter in the amount of \$5,103.56 for the purchase of 12 Orion 5/8" meters and 12 Orion 3/4" ultrasonic meters.
- 3. approve payment to Plante & Moran in the amount of \$35,776.88 in connection with assistance to the finance department and for professional services performed in conjunction with the 2017 audit.
- 4. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$6,125.64 for professional services during the month of March 2018 for the following projects: Bahr v. Harper Woods, #180-189; Stormwater Asset Plan, #180-202; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; 2018 User Charge, #180-206.
- 5. approve payment to Bendzinski & Co. in the amount of \$15,900.00 in conjunction with \$1.183 Million General Obligation Limited Tax Bonds.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 05-80-18 AWARD OF BID - CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

## RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by BBEK Construction, LLC. in the amount of \$26,535.00 for rehab work to be provided at 20437 Damman, as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.

### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 05-81-18 MILK RIVER - OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE

## RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$240,136.25 for the operation and maintenance of the Milk River Drain for the period April through June 2018.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: Kindle.
ABSENT: Marshall.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 05-82-18 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 15 (FINAL) - 2012 SRF SEWER REPAIRS, OPEN CUT SANITARY SEWER REPAIRS, CONTRACT NO. 3, #180-119

## RESOLUTION by, SUPPORTED by:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Fontana Construction Inc, in the amount of \$68,738.19 for Progress Payment No. 15 on the 2012 SRF Sanitary Sewer Repairs, 2012 SRF Sanitary Sewer Repairs, Open Cut Sanitary Repairs, Contract No. 3, #180-119.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 05-83-18 SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING - SPECIAL ASSESSMENT LEVY

### MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

to schedule a public hearing on May 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comment on the continuation of a Special Assessment Levy.

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ABSENT: Marshall.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 05-84-18

### REIMBURSEMENT

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Jenny: BE IT RESOLVED to approve reimbursement in the amount of \$440.96.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None. ABSTAIN: Kindle. ABSENT: Marshall

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Binder said he spoke with Department of Public Works about high grass. He feels that repeat offenders should be tagged only once and the second time fined.

Mr. Cadotte complained about band practice at the High School. He feels it impacts his quality of life. He mentioned he is worried about the levy due to Eastland Mall and their appeals to the tax tribunal and how it will impact future budgets. He feels we need to consider redevelopment of this area.

Mr. Toussant of Danbury Lane complained about a neighbor who consistently puts trash out front and receives only a mild warning repeatedly.

### CALL TO COUNCIL

Mayor Poynter spoke about the Earth Day clean up saying it was outstanding and a very good turnout, including students from several area schools. He announced the Flea Market event will be coming to Johnston Park on June 16<sup>th</sup>. He then spoke about Little League opening day which has been an event since 1955 and though it was in danger of ending last year it was a great event again this year. Next, he reported on the corp (?) Advisory Board meeting at the school district and mentioned Eastland Produce and Triumph Church will be included in the district. He then stated that the annual Mayors Prayer Breakfast was not as well attended this year but he hoped changes would be forthcoming to increase

participation. Lastly, he congratulated Mayor Pro tem Kindle on her achievement of receiving her Bachelors degree with honors.

Councilperson Paiz apologized for her earlier comments to Council about lack of pursuit of professional development. She stated she is grateful that her schedule allows her to attend conferences and represent her City. She mentioned she enjoyed preparing a report on her recent conference attendance and would like to see it on the website.

Councilperson Costantino gave a recap of the recent Ordinance Committee meeting and announced the next meeting will be held on June 4 at 6:00 p.m. She then commented that as a new Councilperson she also attended a number of conferences and gave required reports. She stated she is happy that the newest members of Council are attending conferences.

Councilperson Sawicki shared that in the past audience members asked Council for their reports when they attended conferences.

Councilperson Paiz mentioned that the MML gives continuing education points for attendance at their conferences. She then shared her surprise that the sirens went off last Friday when she did not see an issue in the sky. She asked who decides if the siren should be activated.

Councilperson Kindle stated she will definitely have a report of her conference attendance and that she has always shared her information with Council in the past. She then mentioned an incident she witnessed near her home involving a fire truck, police car and ambulance saying it seemed like too much for one incident.

Councilperson Sawicki stated there was a power outage at City Hall and the traffic light in front was not working. This caused her to call dispatch to request temporary stop signs and she was told there were none available due to numerous outages in other cities.

Councilperson Paiz then spoke again to relate that her husband was bitten by a dog registered in Detroit and that they did not file a police report.

CM 05-85-18

### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

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ABSENT: Marshall.	
MOTION CARRIED	
KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL JUNE 4, 2018

## MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, and Veronica

Paiz.

ABSENT: Councilpersons Hugh R. Marshall & Vivian Sawicki.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 06-95-18 <u>EXCUSE COUNCILPERSONS MARSHALL & SAWICKI</u>

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To excuse Councilpersons Marshall and Sawicki from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 06-96-18 <u>MINUTES</u>

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held May 21, 2018 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held April 19, 2018 and the Ordinance Committee meeting held May 7, 2018.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

### CM 06-97-18

### CONSENT AGENDA

## RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 113906 through 114012 in the amount of \$406,987.24 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment in the amount of \$8,555.78 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several watermain breaks and replacement of stop boxes at various residential locations.
- 3. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$5,711.61 for lawn cuttings at various residential homes not in compliance with the Ordinance and for several main break restorations within the city.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

### CM 06-98-18 BEAUMONT HEALTH - HEALTHY COMMUNITY AGREEMENT

## RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the four-year Agreement between Beaumont Health and the City of Harper Woods to establish a partnership and ongoing working relationship in the creation of a "Healthy Community" and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 06-99-18 TRANSFER OF WAYNE COUNTY NORTHEAST SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM (NESDS) TO THE SOUTHEAST MACOMB SANITARY DISTRICT (SEMSD)

## RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the contract between the City of Harper Woods and the Southeast Macomb Sanitary District as submitted for a term ending December 31, 2035 and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement of behalf of the City.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: Kindle

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 06-100-18 AGREEMENT - OPERATION OF COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION SERVICE - SERVICES FOR OLDER CITIZENS (SOC)

## RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the Contract for Operation of Community Transportation Service for Elderly and Disabled Individuals between the Pointe Area Assisted Transportation Service (PAATS) and Services for Older Citizens (SOC) that will remain in effect until June 30, 2019, and further to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 06-101-18 INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING - AN

ORDINANCE TO CHAPTER 9 GARBAGE AND TRASH; PRECOLLECTION REGULATIONS AND VIOLATIONS

### RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and place for first reading an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 9 - Garbage and Trash of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances to Amend Section 9-5 (3) Precollection Regulations and Section 9-9 (b) -

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Violations" and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter Requirements.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, and Paiz.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 06-102-18 INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING - AN

ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 15, NOISE; PROVISIONS PENALTY AND ENFORCEMENT

## RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and place for first reading an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 15, Noise, of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances to Add section 15-3 - Penalty and Enforcement Provisions," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz,, and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 06-103-18 INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 14, LOITERING IN PUBLIC PLACES

## RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and place for first reading an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 14, Article III, Section 14-50, Loitering in Public Places of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

## CM 06-104-18 INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 14, SPITTING IN PUBLIC

## RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and place for first reading an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 14, Article III, Section 14-57, Spitting in Public of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 06-105-18 INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 14, DELIVERYMEN PROHIBITED FROM WALKING ON RESIDENTIAL LAWNS

## RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and place for first reading an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 14, Article III, Section 14-61, Certain Deliverymen Prohibited from Walking on Residential Lawns of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 06-106-18 RESCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING - ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

to reschedule a second public hearing for July 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public input and comment for additional allocated funds for the 2018 Community Development Block Grant.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mrs. Szolach pointed out that all the ordinances introduced tonight would need police officers and currently she does not see enough police presence.

Mr. Binder said that 20049 Washtenaw was a total disaster and hasn't progressed since he first reported it. He feels 2<sup>nd</sup> warning should be a fine. He opined the City is going downhill.

Mr. Hakim stated he cannot hear the council at meetings which makes the meeting pointless. He also complained of a vacant home on his block and that his 3 year request for a dog park is still unanswered.

A resident of Fleetwood questioned if the sewer transfer would lower the cost on the water bill and was informed the City is hoping to keep the status quo.

Ms. Kingston spoke about the NEDC sponsored Kelly Rd clean up last week and encouraged everyone to get involved. She then mentioned the Library's phones are still not working.

Mr. Cadotte said recently residents on Country Club were playing music so loud the police got involved. He stated the quality of life can make or break a community and ordinances need to be aggressively enforced.

Ms. Carlson wondered when the water bills will no longer be estimated. She feels with the cost of paper and postage it is more expensive with frequent bills. She also said backyards need to be checked for high grass as well.

Ms. Honto shared she recently attended State Representative Yancey's coffee hour and that she was pleasantly surprised how many people were present. She next said the medians on Vernier were very badly cut. She then mentioned that the grass at the group home on Lennon street is regularly overgrown as well. She wondered if stickers were still put out for high grass.

## **CALL TO COUNCIL**

The Mayor stated that the Memorial Day ceremonies were well attended and that it was unfortunate that Ms. Yancey was given the wrong information about her time to speak. He complimented the workers who helped clean up Kelly Road and shared that the Flea Market will be June 16<sup>th</sup> at Johnston Park. He then announced a vacancy on the Planning Commission.

Councilperson Kindle stated the Juneteenth plans were being finalized and explained some of the history of this event.

Councilperson Paiz mentioned that reason that Representative Yancey was unable to speak at our ceremony was due to it ending early since there were two speakers missing. She stated that we are still working with other communities about a law suit to get back our revenue sharing. She then also spoke about the Vernier medians and that she too contacted the Commissioner. Next, she shared a story involving a home on Newcastle and her assistance with their issues with the Building Department. She said she would like a dog park. She then asked questions regarding ticketing for noise violations and was told that a resident must be willing to submit a complaint and potentially be in court which most people are not willing to do.

Councilperson Costantino announced the next Ordinance meeting would be on June 18 at 6:00 p.m. She then mentioned that the Ordinance Committee would be updating the City Charter in the future. She then explained the spitting ordinance was passed to prevent the passing of viruses.

CM 06-107-18

## **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:33 p.m.

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MOTION CARRIED	
KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL JUNE 18, 2018

## **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Hugh R. Marshall,

Veronica Paiz and Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

### PRESENTATION

The Harper Woods Schools Superintendent Steve McGee gave an overview of the schools and their plans to expand the district. This includes more students, an increased focus on literacy and numeracy, and expansion of the Kindergarten program. Also, there are plans to use the former Eastland Produce building for college and career readiness programs.

MINUTES

CM 06-108-18

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held June 4, 2018 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Ordinance Committee meeting held June 4, 2018.

### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 06-109-18

## CONSENT AGENDA

## RESOLUTION by , SUPPORTED by :

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 114013 through 114122 in the amount of \$434,490.96 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Annointed Construction, LLC in the amount of \$6,450.00 for the renovations and repair work at 19207 Washtenaw as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
- 3. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$6,157.00 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library and the Parks and also for lawn cuttings at various residential homes.
- 4. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$33,818.40 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of May 2018.
- 5. approve payment to Business Communication Systems, Inc. (BCS) in the amount of \$6,134.48 for repairs to the Fire department phones and for equipment purchased to reconnect the library phones following damage from recent storms.
- 6. approve payment to Business Communication Systems, Inc. (BCS) in the amount of \$6,134.48 for repairs to the Fire department phones and for equipment purchased to reconnect the library phones following damage from recent storms.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

## CM 06-110-18 OPEN PUBLIC HEARING - ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

to open the public hearing on the additional Community Development Block Grant funds.

## MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## PUBLIC HEARING

The City Manager gave an overview of the planned uses for the additional \$300.000 in CDBG funds.

Ms. Carlson asked how much of the money is planned for Eastland. The City Manager said approximately \$31,000 would be used for a market study and plans to redevelop and re-purpose Eastland in the event it is sold.

Councilperson Kindle questioned why the City would pay for this study for a private entity.

Councilperson Costantino asked if any of the funds will be used for transportation. She opined that we can't afford not to do the study based on the condition of Eastland. She mentioned that zoning for residential at Eastland should be done.

Councilperson Sawicki requested the itemized amounts for use of the money be repeated. She stated there is no guarantee that Eastland will use the property as the market study suggests. She asked if the City has the authority to change Eastland's zoning. She wondered if the portion of the funds for streetlights was only for Kelly Road and was informed it is to replace all sodium lights in the City.

Councilperson Paiz asked if any of the funds could be used for the Parks and Recreation trailer.

Mr. Binder asked if the City has looked into how Henry Ford Hospital re-purposed the area that was Cottage Hospital.

Mr. Toussant asked where the money is coming from and was informed it was Wayne County CDBG funds. He suggested that the remaining market study funds could come from the school district. He asked who's responsible for sidewalk repair.

## CM 06-111-18 CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING - ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Marshall: to close the public hearing on the additional Community Development Block Grant funds.

## MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## CM 06112-18 BID AWARD - CDBG REHABILITATION PROGRAM

RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bids as submitted by Pella Holdings LLC in the amount of \$11,048.00 for rehab work to be provided at 20862 Beaufait; \$19,602.00 for rehab work to be provided at 20710 Damman; and \$26,340.00 for rehab work to be provided at 18784 Kenosha as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

## CM 06-113-18 CDBG SUBRECIPIENT AGREEMENT

RESOLUTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the Subrecipient Agreement for Community Development Block Grant between the Charter County of Wayne and the City of Harper Woods for the period July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2022 and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement.

### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

## CM 06-114-18 AGREEMENT - BADGER METER SOFTWARE

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to enter into a service agreement with Badger Meter in the amount of \$13,616.67 for software, training, hand held meter reading machines, licensing and installation of updates to the City's water billing system.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Marshall, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: Paiz.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

## CM 06-115-18 WATER/SEWER RATE ANALYSIS

RESOLUTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve a \$9.69 monthly Meter Charge per Equivalent Meter (EM) for water and a \$17.08 monthly Meter Charge per EM for sewer totaling \$26.77 per EM ratio established by the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA) for all water/sewer billed after July 1, 2018, and further to approve a monthly Debt Service Charge for sewer of \$2.50 per EM ratio established by the GLWA for all water/sewer billed after July 1, 2018 and further to approve the Commodity Charge of \$26.50 per thousand cubic feet (MCF) for water and \$30.86 per MCF for sewer totaling \$57.36 per MCF for all water/sewer billed after July 1, 2018, and further to approve a continued monthly Refuse User fee of \$2.00 per meter for all water/sewer billed after July 1, 2018.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, and Marshall.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

## CM 06-116-18 BUDGET AMENDMENTS - WATER FUND

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the mid-year adjustments to the 2018 Water Fund Budget as attached and submitted by the Finance Director/Treasurer.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, and Paiz.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

### CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mrs. Szolach shared that her new meter was installed today and was told that a vehicle could drive down the street and read the meter. She also questioned paying for a study for Eastland when it is failing. She stated the need for more police presence on Beaconsfield and in the City's south end.

Mr. Vann of Lennon St. said the playground at Beacon school should be closed due to illicit behavior including fighting and drug use.

Mr. Cadotte complained of water rates going up each year though salaries and income do not increase at the same pace. He feels the City continues to bail out the corrupt, mismanaged water service. He asked if Harper Woods would receive funds to repair our roads.

Mr. Toussant asked about the amount of road funding we would receive. He mentioned that with the change on the service drive, speeding cars are driving past Danbury Ln. and he requested a stop sign placed there.

### CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor stated that the flea market was a success and that potentially there could be another in the Fall. He mentioned that Nona's pizza is back and that the Juneteenth Celebration would be at Salter Park.

Councilperson Kindle invited the residents to celebrate Juneteenth which would include actor portrayals, history and refreshments from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m.

Councilperson Paiz asked if the City sponsored this event financially. She next spoke about the grass on the medians on Kelly and Vernier saying there were hold outs between the State and County contracts. She remains upset with the reasons the City was given regarding the poor grass cutting and asked why our DPW couldn't cut it like the City of Grosse Pointe Woods and be reimbursed by the County. She shared how the DPW Superintendent explained code enforcement to her and the number of high grass violations in May alone which our contractors then needed to cut. She commended the DPW for all their hard work.

CM 06-117-18

### ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	
KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL JULY 9, 2018

## SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The special City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**ROLL CALL** 

PRESENT: Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle, Councilperson(s) Cheryl A.

Costantino, Tom Jenny, Hugh R. Marshall, Veronica Paiz and

Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney J.

Russell LaBarge and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 07-118-18 EXCUSE MAYOR POYNTER

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To excuse Mayor Poynter from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Poynter.

MOTION CARRIED

### CM 07-119-18 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING STRATEGY - P.A. 202

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing collective bargaining strategy in conjunction with P.A. 202.

ABSENT: Poynter.

### MOTION CARRIED

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 6:00 and reconvened at 6:58 p.m.

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## <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:
That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 6:58 p.m.

ABSENT: Poynter.

MOTION CARRIED

VALERIE KINDLE, MAYOR PRO TEM LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL JULY 9, 2018

## MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle, Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino,

Tom Jenny, Hugh R. Marshall, Veronica Paiz and Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney J.

Russell LaBarge and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 07-121-18 EXCUSE MAYOR POYNTER

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To excuse Mayor Poynter from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Poynter.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 07-122-18 MINUTES

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held June 18, 2018 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Ordinance Committee meeting held June 18, 2018, the Planning Commission meeting held June 27, 2018 and the Election Commission meeting held July 5, 2018.

ABSENT: Poynter.

## MOTION CARRIED

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 07-123-18

### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 114123 through 114316 in the amount of \$500,757.77 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,055.08 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of July 2018.
- 3. approve payment to Oakland County Information Technology in the amount of \$6,662.25 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the Police Department.
- 4. approve the purchase of fifteen (15) body cameras from L3 Mobile Vision in the amount of \$6,405.00 with the purchase being reimbursed with funds obtained from the 2017 JAG grant.
- 5. approve payment to BBEK Construction LLC in the amount of \$8,845.00 for the renovations and repair work at 20437 Damman as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
- 6. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$6,216.00 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library and the Parks.

### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, and Sawicki.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Poynter.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 07-124-18 OPEN PUBLIC HEARING - ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS

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MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

to open the public hearing on the additional 2018 Community Development Block Grant Program.

ABSENT: Poynter.

MOTION CARRIED

## PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Toussant asked for an in depth explanation of CDBG and what the funds would be spent on.

An email from Mr. Daguano suggested funds be spent on planting saplings in right of way and sidewalk repair.

Mrs. Szolach asked who determines income eligibility and does social security preclude this.

Mr. Schenburn questioned why all funds were not put into housing.

## CM 07-125-18 CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING - ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

to close the public hearing on the additional 2018 Community Development Block Grant Program.

ABSENT: Poynter.

MOTION CARRIED

## CM 07-126-18 ADOPT COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED adopt the additional 2018 Community Development Block Grant funds as follows:

Housing Rehab \$127,000.00 Street Lighting \$130,774.89

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Eastland Planning \$ 32,221.86 Administration \$ 32,221.86 Total \$322,218.61

### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Poynter.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

## CM 07-127-18 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 1 - 2018 CONCRETE PAVEMENT REPAIR PROGRAM, #180-204

## RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to L. Anthony Construction in the amount of \$3,084.93 for Progress Payment No. 1 on the 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair project, #180-204.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Poynter.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

### CM 07-128-18 BUDGET AMENDMENTS - GENERAL FUND

## RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the budget adjustments to the 2018 General Fund Budget as attached submitted by the Finance Director and the City Manager.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Poynter.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

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## CM 07-129-18 RESOLUTION - WAIVER OF PENALTIES FOR PROPERTY TRANSFER AFFIDAVITS

## RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Marshall:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the resolution to provide for the Waiver of Penalties for Failure to File Property Transfer Affidavits with the City of Harper Woods.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Sawicki, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, and Marshall.

NO: Paiz

ABSENT: Poynter.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

## CM 07-130-18 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 9 GARBAGE AND TRASH

## RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Marshall:

BE IT RESOLVED to Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2018-02, entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 9 - Garbage and Trash of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances to Amend Section 9-5(3), Precollection Regulations and Section 9-9(b), Violations," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Sawicki, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, and Paiz.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Poynter.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 07-131-18 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION - ORDINANCE NO. 2018-03 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 15, NOISE

## RESOLUTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2018-03, entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 15, Noise, of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances to Add Section 15-3, Penalty and Enforcement Provisions," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

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**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, and Sawicki.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Poynter.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 07-132-18 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION ORDINANCE NO. 2018-04 AN ORDINANCE TO
AMEND CHAPTER 14, LOITERING IN PUBLIC PLACES

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2018-04, entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 14, Article III, Section 14-50, Loitering in Public Places of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Poynter.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 07-133-18 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION - ORDINANCE NO. 2018-05 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 14 SPITTING IN PUBLIC

RESOLUTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2018-05, entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 14, Article III, Section 14-57, Spitting in Public of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Poynter.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

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SECOND READING AND ADOPTION ORDINANCE NO. 2018-06 AN ORDINANCE TO
AMEND CHAPTER 14 DELIVERYMEN
PROHIBITED FROM WALKING ON LAWNS

RESOLUTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2018-06, entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 14, Article III, Section 14-61, Certain Deliverymen Prohibited from Walking on Residential Lawns of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Poynter.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 07-135-18 AWARD OF BID - CDBG REHABILITATION PROGRAM - 19668 WASHTENAW

RESOLUTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by Annointed Construction LLC in the amount of \$36,370.00 for rehab work to be provided at 19668 Washtenaw as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, and Marshall.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Poynter.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 07-136-18 AWARD OF BID - CDBG REHABILITATION PROGRAM - 21184 COUNTRY CLUB

RESOLUTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by BBEK Construction in the amount of \$26,887.00 for rehab work to be provided at 21184

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Country Club as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Sawicki, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, and Paiz.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Poynter.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 07-137-18 DETROIT AREA AGENCY ON AGING ANNUAL IMPLEMENTATION PLAN

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

to acknowledge receipt of and approve the Detroit Area Agency on Aging Annual Implementation Plan for Fiscal Year 2019.

ABSENT: Poynter.

## MOTION CARRIED

## CM 07-138-18 DESIGNATION OF STREET ADMINISTRATOR

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED adopt the resolution to Designate the City Manager, Joseph F. Rheker, as the Street Administrator for the City of Harper Woods.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, and Sawicki.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Poynter.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 07-139-18 MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE - ANNUAL CONVENTION

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED authorize those Councilmembers interested to attend the Michigan Municipal League's Annual Convention September 20-22, 2018 with the City paying all necessary and related expenses.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Poynter.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Hakim expressed thanks for the potential implementation of a dog park at Salter Park. He also said he does not think grant money should be restricted in any way and loans should be open to all residents.

Ms. Szolach stated her driveway lifted when the City line flooded 2 years ago and that she needs assistance with getting this repaired. She then mentioned police presence is more noticeable.

Mr. Cadotte complained about high water rates and asked if the City is subsidizing the fees for Eastland with regard to the Milk River assessed fees. He next stated commercial vehicles parked on the street are becoming a problem.

Mr. Schenburn said cement worked replaced 5 years ago from Woodside to Elkhart needs repair and that there should be guarantees from the contractor. He said that a troop trailer at his brother's home has been causing issues and that SafeBuilt is taking complaints from a non resident and that he is upset he received a violation for outside storage. He also complained that SafeBuilt is trying to charge for an abandoned home which is inhabited.

Mr. Seranno said the property at Hawthorne and Harper is finally down and asked what is planned next.

### CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor Pro tem shared a resident's letter regarding Juneteenth saying that it went well and was well received.

Councilperson Sawicki mentioned that National Night out is August 7<sup>th</sup>. She said there was a deer in her yard this morning and asked all to be careful driving. She also said Nona's should be recognized for recommitting to Harper Woods and that while she is not opposed to a dog park she would like to receive information before the community as Council has in the past. Next she shared a mailing from the city of Centerline

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regarding how they handle blight/grass issues and that it would be a good idea for Harper Woods.

Councilperson Paiz apologized for her comments regarding CDBG money saying she may have been insensitive to residents. She advised residents to call the police when they observe parked commercial vehicles. She stated that Councilperson Sawicki's comments about dog park information was nicer than her own comments would have been about being informed.

Councilperson Costantino commented that she loved the Juneteenth celebration and that it should be continued each year. She further stated that the Abraham Lincoln character was great as was the food and that many of her students participated and enjoyed it.

CM 07-140-18

## ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Marshall:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:42 p.m.

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VALERIE KINDLE, MAYOR PRO TEM	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL JULY 25, 2018

## SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The special City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Hugh R.

Marshall, Veronica Paiz and Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III and City Clerk

Leslie M. Frank.

## CM 07-141-18 DEFICIT ELIMINATION PLAN - REFUSE FUND

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED adopt the Amended Deficit Reduction Plan for the Refuse Fund as outlined in the attached resolution from the Finance Director and further to direct the Finance Director to submit this plan to the State of Michigan Treasury Department for certification.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None. ABSENT: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

## PRESENTATION - ROCKET FIBER

A representative from Rocket Fiber was present and shared information regarding the potential fiber ring consortium with the neighboring Grosse Pointe communities.

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CM 07-142-18

# **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

That the agenda of the special City Council r is hereby adjourned at 7:55 p.m.	neeting having been acted upon, the meetin
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	
KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL AUGUST 13, 2018

## MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Veronica Paiz and Vivian

Sawicki.

<u>ABSENT</u>: Councilpersons Tom Jenny & Hugh R. Marshall.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

## CM 08-143-18 EXCUSE COUNCILPERSONS JENNY & MARSHALL

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To excuse Councilpersons Jenny and Marshall from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Jenny & Marshall.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 08-144-18 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held July 9, 2018, the Special City Council meetings held July 9 and July 25, 2018 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Board of Review meeting held July 17, 2018.

ABSENT: Jenny & Marshall.

MOTION CARRIED

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 08-145-18

#### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 114317 through 114552 in the amount of \$1,106,659.53 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$9,787.00 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library and the Parks and also for lawn cuttings at various residential homes.
- 3. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$48,382.60 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of June 2018.
- 4. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,055.08 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of August 2018.
- 5. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$7,950.72 for professional services during the month of June 2018 for the following projects: 2018 User Charge, #180-206; 2018 Paser Rating, #180-207; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; 2017 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-188; Kelly Road Pedestrian Crossing, #180-208; 2016 Emergency Sanitary Sewer CCTV, #180-180; Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; 8 Mile Traffic Signal Upgrade, #180-179 and the Housing Rehab Project, #180-178.
- 6. approve payment to Plante & Moran in the amount of \$17,205.00 for the professional services performed in conjunction with the 2017 audit and with finance/accounting matters.
- 7. approve payment to Michigan Supreme Court Finance in the amount of \$5,061.37 for software support on the district court's computer system.
- 8. approve payment to Core & Main in the amount of \$5,250.00 for the purchase of 50 stop boxes for water shut off services.
- 9. approve payment in the amount of \$21,858.75 to Grosse Pointe Woods for the City's pro-rata portion of the operating and maintenance of the Torrey Road Pump Station for the period January through June 2018.
- 10. approve payment to Badger Meter, Inc. in the amount of \$12,706.11 for the purchase of new 5/8" Orion and Ultrasonic water meters.

11. approve payment to BBEK Construction LLC in the amount of \$8,845.00 for the renovations and repair work at 20437 Damman as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Jenny & Marshall.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 08-146-18 2017 AUDIT PRESENTATION

## RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to Receive and File the 2017 Audit/Financial Report as submitted by the City's Auditors, Plante and Moran and also receive and file their management report.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Jenny & Marshall.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 08-147-18 MILK RIVER - OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE

## RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$240,136.25 for the operation and maintenance of the Milk River Drain for July through September 2018.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: Kindle.

ABSENT: Jenny & Marshall.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

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## CM 08-148-18 AWARD OF BID - CDBG REHABILITATION PROJECT

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by Optimum Contracting Solutions for rehab work to be provided on the homes listed as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program:

20516 Kenosha \$29,325.00 18558 Woodside \$23,100.00

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle and Paiz.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Jenny & Marshall.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

## CM 08-149-18 APPOINTMENT OF MAGISTRATE - 32A DISTRICT COURT

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the appointment of Jennifer Rau as the part-time Magistrate for the Harper Woods 32A District Court.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Paiz and Sawicki.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Jenny & Marshall.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

#### CM 08-150-18 CONVERSION OF MERCURY VAPOR STREET LIGHTS

#### RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the Master Agreement with DTE for municipal street lighting to convert existing mercury vapor lights to LED at Salter Park and Danbury Park at a cost of \$289,054.00 with an annual savings of \$62,101.00 and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement.

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**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Costantino, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Jenny & Marshall.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 08-151-18 INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING - CRIMINAL CONDUCT CAUSING A RESPONSE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY ORDINANCE

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and place for first reading an ordinance entitled "An Ordinance Prohibiting a Response by the City's Department of Public Safety; Providing for the Enforcement of the Provisions of the Ordinance; Providing for Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances and Portions Thereof; and Providing an Effective Date," and further, to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Jenny & Marshall.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

#### CM 08-152-18 DESIGNATION OF VOTING DELEGATE - MML CONFERENCE

## RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to designate Mayor Poynter as the City's official delegate, and Mayor Pro tem Kindle as the alternate delegate at the Michigan Municipal League's Annual Meeting to be held September 20-22, 2018.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Kindle.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Jenny & Marshall.

#### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Cadotte opined that the City's use of the water/sewer fund to collect money is potentially illegal. He stated the refuse charge on the tax and water bills could result in a class action lawsuit saying further raising the rates is violating contract law and the Headlee amendment.

Mr. Toussant asked about street repair updates. The City Manager responded that lowering the PA33 was with the intention of asking residents to approve bond/millage for road repair and the City is working on a funding mechanism which could be potentially on the next tax bills. Mr. Toussant expressed concern over health care for retirees. He also suggested the City address raising the cost of parking permits so residents will use their garage not the street.

Ms. Carlson questioned paying the auditors when they did not tell the City about CDBG money. She stated there could be revenue from enforcing ordinances. She asked for clarification of the rental registrations program and questioned if DTE will do restorations when their project is complete.

Mr. Schenburn commented about a class action lawsuit he was involved in. He suggested residents should lobby Lansing for revenue sharing to be heard.

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor stated this was the best National Night out so far and that it has truly become a Harper Woods event. He mentioned that the Greek Fest begins this week and that it is always a great time and an outstanding crowd.

Councilperson Kindle thanked New Life Ministries and various City Departments for their participation in National Night out saying it was a great time and well attended.

Councilperson Paiz mentioned GPAAS is working with the City Manager to potentially have an open house event where dogs can be licensed and registered.

Councilperson Costantino suggested this could possibly be combined with the flea market this year.

CM 08-153-18 EXECUTIVE SESSION - LITIGATION MATTER

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

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ABSENT: Jenny & Marshall.

## MOTION CARRIED

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 8:17 p.m. and reconvened at 8:50 p.m.

## CM 08-154-18 ADD ITEM TO AGENDA - SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

To add to the agenda a settlement agreement for a lawsuit, Bahr v. Harper Woods.

ABSENT: Jenny & Marshall.

## MOTION CARRIED

CM 08-155-18 APPROVAL OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BAHR V. HARPER WOODS

RESOLUTION by paiz, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the settlement agreement between P. Bahr and the City of Harper Woods under the terms and conditions as recommended by the City Attorney and upon receipt of a full settlement and release of all claims signed by the plaintiff.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, and Paiz.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Jenny & Marshall.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 08-156-18 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

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That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:53 p.m.
ABSENT: Jenny & Marshall.
MOTION CARRIED

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 5, 2018

## **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz

and Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: Councilperson Marshall.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 09-157-18 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held August 13, 2018 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of The Library Board meeting held June 21, 2018.

ABSENT: Marshall

MOTION CARRIED

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 09-158-18 CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 114553 through 114801 in the amount of \$1,022,766.94 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$10,551.54 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library and the Parks and also for lawn cuttings at various residential homes.
- 3. approve payment to the State of Michigan Supreme Court in the amount of \$5,061.37 for the user fees on the district court's judicial information system for the period July through September 2018.
- 4. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$83,689.20 for the contractual building department services performed during the months of April and July 2018.
- 5. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$14,720.73 for professional services during the month of July 2018 for the following projects: 2018 User Charge, #180-206; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; 2017 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-188; Kelly Road Pedestrian Crossing, #180-208; 2016 Emergency Sanitary Sewer CCTV, #180-180; Stormwater Asset Mgmt, #180-202 and the Housing Rehab Project, #180-178.
- 6. approve payment to the City of Grosse Pointe Farms in the amount of \$7,662.87 for Harper Woods' proportionate share of the Intermunicipal Radio System for the period January through June 2018.
- 7. approve payment to Pella Holdings, LLC in the amount of \$21,122.64 for the renovations and repair work at 20710 Damman as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
- 8. approve payment to Annointed Construction, LLC in the amount of \$17,387.00 for the renovations and repair work at 19207 Washtenaw as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
- 9. to appoint Mr. Lawrence Hakim to the Planning Commission for an unexpired threeyear term ending January 2020.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 09-159-18

APPROVAL OF PA 359 PF 1925; SPECIAL TAX FOR ADVERTISING

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## RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve a tax levy not to exceed \$50,000 to be assessed for the purpose of obtaining additional revenue for promoting and advertising for the City, and to allocate these funds for the calendar, newsletter, city website and updating the electronic message board.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 09-160-18 WATER SERVICE CONTRACT - GREAT LAKES WATER AUTHORITY (GLWA)

#### RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to Approve Amendment No. 3 to the Water Service Contract between the City of Harper Woods and the Great Lakes Water Authority and further that the City Manager be authorized to sign the contract on behalf of the City.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 09-161-18 INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 10-29, DUMPSTER SCREENING

## RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and place for first reading an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend Section 10-291 Standards for Non-Residential Developments, Dumpster Screening Act", and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny and Kindle.

NO: None.

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ABSENT: Marshall

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 09-162-18 ADOPT 2019 BUDGET SCHEDULE

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

approve the 2019 Budget Meeting Schedule with workshops to be held at regular and special meetings on October 1, October 8, October 15 and October 22, if necessary and further to hold a public hearing on the 2019 Budget on November 5, 2018.

ABSENT: Marshall

MOTION CARRIED

#### CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Hakim mentioned that he noted that several sidewalk flags in areas that have been recently restored following the DTE project have been lifting causing a trip hazard and he wanted to alert the City to this. (The City Manager stated that he has been meeting with the contractor each week and will be sure to address this with them.) He then asked if there was any news about the Dog-Friendly park at Salter.

Mr. Binder reported that permits have been pulled for the home on Washtenaw that is in serious disrepair, but still nothing has been done. He also asked if anyone else heard the rumor that Home Depot is closing. (No one on Council has heard this and stated that clearly it is a rumor.) He also commented that he feels that the DPW is doing an excellent job with their limited resources.

Mr. Cadotte stated that he is opposed to the tax that was approved tonight. With the recent 20 mill increase and increase in water fees he said he felt that this was just a money grab from the City to add revenue to the general fund. He also mentioned that he felt the 10% penalty for late water payments is inappropriate now that we are on a monthly billing cycle as opposed to the quarterly billing, it should be reduced to 3.25% per month.

## CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor commented on the recent "Slow Roll" bike event that travelled through Harper

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Woods saying that it was outstanding and well attended citing about 3,000 people participated. He also mentioned that it was the first time the "Slow Roll" group ventured outside the City of Detroit into another community. He then mentioned that a digital news magazine, MetroMode interviewed the City Manager, the Economic Development Director and himself to promote Harper Woods. Lastly he mentioned that the ridership totals for the PAATS bus for the previous 6 months is approximately 9,000 for all of the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods. Almost a third of those riders are from Harper Woods.

Mayor Pro tem Kindle announced that the Harper Woods/Grosse Pointe Chapter of the NAACP will be hosting a Freedom Fund dinner on October 28 at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial. The guest speaker will be Shonda Diggs, dermatologist and Regent for the University of Michigan. She then spoke of the WCCCD University Center and what a wealth of knowledge exists within for our community. So many enrichment classes are available with some of them free to seniors. A Costco reception event will be taking place there on September 10 from 11a.m. to 1p.m. She encouraged everyone to check it out.

Councilwoman Paiz also shared her experience with the "Slow Roll" event stating that she livestreamed the event on Facebook.

CM 09-163-18

## ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

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LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 17, 2018

## **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Hugh R. Marshall, Veronica

Paiz and Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: Councilperson Tom Jenny.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney J.

Russell LaBarge and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

## PRESENTATION

Sarah Traxler the representative from McKenna was present to share the conceptual plan for Eastland Center and collaboration materials that will be made available to all potential bidders and to answer questions.

CM 09-164-18

#### MINUTES

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Marshall:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held September 5, 2018.

ABSENT: Jenny.

MOTION CARRIED

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 09-165-18

### CONSENT AGENDA

### RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 114802 through 114903 in the amount of \$546,384.00 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$10,300.19 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library and the Parks and also for restorations following main breaks at various residential homes.
- 3. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$35,973.40 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of August 2018.
- 4. approve the request from the Harper Woods Secondary School to hold their annual homecoming parade on Friday, September 28, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 09-166-18 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION - ORDINANCE NO. 2018-07 CRIMINAL CONDUCT CAUSING A RESPONSE BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY ORDINANCE

## RESOLUTION by Marshall, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2018-07, entitled "An Ordinance Prohibiting a Response by the City's Department of Public Safety; Providing for the Enforcement of the Provisions of the Ordinance; Providing for Repeal of Conflicting Ordinances and Portions Thereof; and Providing an Effective Date," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, and Costantino.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

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## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 09-167-18 RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF THE EIGHT MILE BOULEVARD UNIFYING FRAMEWORK

RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the attached resolution in support of the 8 Mile Boulevard Association Unifying Framework Plan, Established February 2018.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Marshall, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Kindle.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 09-168-18 ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS - MI MUNICIPAL LEAGUE LIABILITY AND PROPERTY POOL

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to cast the City's vote for the following persons to serve on the Board of Directors of the Michigan Municipal League Liability and Property Pool:

Robert Clark - Mayor, City of Monroe Paula Zelenko - Mayor, City of Burton

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, and Marshall.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Ms. Kingston, a volunteer on Kelly Road, said she along with several others have been picking up trash, taking down trees, etc. and that a concentrated effort by business owners is needed.

Mr. Calus stated that he was told that there would be automatic read water meters this year and they would be paid for with a grant. He asked if the estimated water bills charging only three units could be increased to make the billing more equal.

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Mr. Kien asked if the Council would need to take action tonight on the Eastland Concept. (The City Manager said that no formal resolution would be needed at this time.)

Ms. Lyons announced that she would be running for school board and hoped to create local groups for civic minded youths in the community.

Mr. Cadotte mentioned that the interest rates for late payment on water bills was detrimental to those on fixed incomes. He proposed that the City offer partial payment plans.

Ms. Sturton expressed concern about the condition of Beaconsfield street and asked when repairs would be done. She was concerned over the traffic situation on Beaconsfield during school drop off and pick up and asked if it is the school's responsibility. (The City Manager said DTE has some responsibility for the situation and work should be done during the school day. He also mentioned a road millage that would provide some funds for repairs.)

Mr. Wagner complained of speeding on residential streets.

Mr. Toussant mentioned that in the Eastland Concept Plan bids can start as low as \$500,000. He was concerned that anyone with enough money could purchase the property.

## CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor stated he has been placed on the corporate advisory board for the Harper Woods School District and that he and the City Manager met recently with the Census Bureau. He thanked the City Manager for his "In the Loop" Friday informational packets that keep the Council well informed. He then shared that he and his wife along with Mr. Cotton have been attending the Regent Park meetings as interested neighbors. He then spoke about the positive things happening in Harper Woods and that many more good things will happen and we should all speak positively about our community.

Councilperson Sawicki questioned that there are five scout cars in need of siren repair. She mentioned that she was able to preview the City's new water app and found it to be interesting and useful to residents. She was told that 3 units of water is the average for homeowners and that is the reason estimates are based on this amount. She asked if more personnel would be needed to read the new meters. (The City Manager responded this wouldn't be necessary as the meters can be read while driving by.)

Councilperson Kindle said she recently toured the Milk River facility. She explained that her past no votes on Milk River were not because of the system itself but that Harper Woods is not properly represented and we pay the majority of the revenue for the system.

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Councilperson Paiz announced the GPAAS and the Harper Woods Veterinary hospital vaccination event would be held October 6 at Salter Park from 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. The only requirement is proof of residency and \$10.00 will provide a rabies shot and dog license for each dog.

Councilperson Costantino gave a recap of the Ordinance Committee meeting and said the dog park rules were discussed. She announced the Committee will meet on October 1 at 6:00 p.m.

CM 09-169-18

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting

is hereby adjourned at 8:44 p.m.	neeting having been acted upon, the meeting
ABSENT: Jenny.	
MOTION CARRIED	
KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL OCTOBER 1, 2018

## **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, and Veronica

Paiz.

ABSENT: Councilpersons Hugh R. Marshall and Vivian Sawicki.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

## PRESENTATION

Jim LaPalm, the City's Building Official from SafeBuilt, was present to give an update on their code enforcement efforts and provide statistics for tickets and court appearances in 2017/18.

#### CM 10-170-18 EXCUSE COUNCILPERSONS MARSHALL & SAWICKI

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To excuse Councilpersons Marshall and Sawicki from tonight's meeting because of prior commitments.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 10-171-18 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held

September 17, 2018 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held August 17, 2018, the Ordinance Committee meeting held September 17, 2018 and the Planning Commission meeting held September 22, 2018.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki

## MOTION CARRIED

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Corinne Martin of GPAAS expressed concern about verbiage on most items in the Dog Friendly Park policy.

The City Attorney explained that the City has no more liability with a resident's dog in the Park than walking down a street. She also explained these are only rules not an ordinance.

CM 10-172-18

## CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 114904 through 115001 in the amount of \$436,088.33 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$5,642.76 for professional services during the month of August 2018 for the following projects: 2018 User Charge, #180-206; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; Kelly Road Ped Crossing, #180-208; Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; GLWA Charges Work Group, #180-209 and the 8 Mile Traffic Signal Upgrade, #180-179.
- 3. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$10,110.16 for the contractual assessing services performed during the months of September and October 2018.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

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CM 10-173-18 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND SECTION 10-29, DUMPSTER SCREENING

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2018-08, entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Section 10-291, Standards for Non-Residential Developments - D.2 Dumpster Screening Act," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

## CM 10-174-18 ADOPT POLICY - DOG FRIENDLY PARK

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

to adopt the attached Dog Walking Policy outlining the rules of the newly implemented Dog Friendly Park at Salter Park.

NO: Paiz.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

## MOTION CARRIED

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Hakim expressed concern over the traffic situation at Tyrone School saying parents are not following proper procedures and suggested an alternate dismissal route.

Mrs. Sturton complained of cars speeding on Huntington and said there aren't enough stop signs.

Mr. Krass stated that DTE did not make proper restorations on Bournemouth between Tyrone and Craig. He praised the office staff at DPW regarding dumpsters. He then made comment on sex offenders and school zones, teenage curfews and suggestions for punishment for youth offenders.

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor stated that he and Mayor Pro tem Kindle were in the High School Homecoming parade and that there was a large turnout. He credited the school for a great event. He then mentioned the ribbon cutting for the middle school saying enrollment is high and they are attracting students from all over. He spoke of a luncheon he attended at Defer School with other community leaders from the Grosse Pointes with a presentation by 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students. Next he mentioned the Goodfellows tribute breakfast to Mayor Duggan with approximately 1,000 people in attendance. He then said a recent Kelly Road Business Association meeting was well attended and many positive things were discussed. The first meeting of the Corporate Advisory Board for the H.W. School District he felt had great energy and enthusiasm. He said Eastland is up for auction and there is much enthusiasm for this development. He is looking forward to the future where teamwork and positivity are bringing the City back.

Councilperson Paiz again brought up issues she is concerned with about the Dog Friendly Park. She shared that the Harper Woods Veterinary clinic and GPAAS are hosting an event for vaccinations and licensing at Salter Park on October 6<sup>th</sup>.

Councilperson Jenny commended the DPW for an excellent job on a number of main breaks.

Mayor Pro tem Kindle announced the Lion's Club Pasta Dinner on October 20 at the Amvets Post #57 and the upcoming GP/HW NAACP first annual Freedom Dinner on October 28 at the War Memorial.

The Mayor shared a quote of Mayor Pro tem Kindle regarding her leadership role in the Michigan Women in Municipal Government, "I am honored to be helping to lead the Michigan Women in Municipal Government organization for the next year and that now is an ideal time to advance women leaders in local government".

Councilperson Costantino gave a report about the MML conference she attended saying it was awesome and it coincided with the American Planners Association which was timely considering the Eastland issue. She also mentioned the rental workshop saying we could bring revenue to the City possibly through Air bnb. She mentioned the Monastery brings people into the City and hoped we can bring more attractions here in the future possibly by capitalizing on the art work in the City with an event like ArtPrize.

Councilperson Paiz said she would file a report about the MML conference and spoke about the mobile workshops she attended. She hoped to share some of the ideas with regard to Eastland.

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MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Paiz: To adjourn to the Budget workshop session.

ABSENT: Marshall & Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

City Council recessed at 8:06 p.m. and reconvened in the conference room at 8:15 p.m.

## 2018 BUDGET WORKSHOP SESSION

The City Manager and Finance Director presented and discussed with City Council the draft of the 2018 Budget.

CM 10-176-18

## **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 9:16 p.m.

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KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL OCTOBER 15, 2018

## MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

# **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz

and Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: Councilperson Hugh R. Marshall.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

## **PRESENTATION**

A representative from DTE was present to give an overview of the service and supply line upgrade project so far and answer questions. He stated the project is on target and should be finished by Thanksgiving and that restoration will begin and take several weeks weather permitting.

## CM 10-177-18 EXCUSE COUNCILPERSON MARSHALL

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To excuse Councilperson Marshall from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Marshall.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 10-178-18 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held October

1, 2018 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Ordinance Committee meeting held October 1, 2018 and the Election Commission meeting held October 11, 2018.

ABSENT: Marshall.

MOTION CARRIED

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 10-179-18

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 115002 through 115091 in the amount of \$339,918.93 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$30,169.20 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of September 2018.
- 3. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$13,929.25 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library and the Parks and also for restorations following main breaks and tree removals at various residential homes.
- 4. approve payment in the amount of \$102,396.47 to Wayne County for the Milk River interest payment on the SRF program.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

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CM 10-180-18

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 11, HOUSING CODE - VACANT OR ABANDONED PROPERTY

## RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and place for first reading an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 11, Housing Code, Article V, Section 11-104 - Penalties; Municipal Civil Infractions - City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances - Vacant or Abandoned Property," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 10-181-18

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 11, HOUSING CODE - RESIDENTIAL INCOME PROPERTY

## RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and place for first reading an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 11, Article IV, Housing Code of the City of Harper Woods - Residential Income Property," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 10-182-18 INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 11, HOUSING CODE - CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny: BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and place for first reading an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 11, Article III, Certificate of Occupancy of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 10-183-18 RESOLUTION - ROAD REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED to direct the City Manager to prepare a preliminary report and plans for a potential special assessment district dedicated to road repair and maintenance.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Paiz.

NO: Kindle.

ABSENT: Marshall.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Ms. Lyons shared that she was invited to speak at the Polyglot Conference in Slovenia and said that to her learning a foreign language is the passport to global citizenship and further that Harper Woods will be on an international stage with her presentation.

Mr. Toussant said that he is happy to hear steps are being taken to fix the roads.

## CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor shared that Grosse Pointe War Memorial will be opening to all communities conveyed at a recent Board meeting he attended there. He also attended the Harper Woods Middle school ribbon cutting with Mayor Pro tem Kindle and Councilperson Costantino and said that while he was aware the district expanded but noted that there are over 2,000 students; when he served on the School Board there was no more than 1,000 students.

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He then spoke about a well attended senior expo he attended at the Assumption Center where Chuck Gaidica was a speaker and the topic was living strong in your older years. He next mentioned the Harper Woods Library book sale. He shared that he attended a presentation regarding youth and the police at Redeemer Church where Councilperson Kindle and several young people were on the panel.

Councilperson Kindle agreed with the Mayor about the panel she was on saying that she likes to see how times have changed since she worked with delinquents years ago and that things today are less adversarial. She stated that they try to show youth that the police need to do their job and all involved should be treated with respect.

Councilperson Costantino said an Ordinance Meeting was held tonight and the next scheduled meeting will be in March. She gave an overview of the meeting saying she was glad that Eastland sold for 3.1 million but that we don't yet know the owners identity.

Councilperson Paiz announced there will be a GPAAS spaghetti dinner fundraiser for the K-9 unit November 14 from 4pm to 7pm at the Amvets Post 57. She next mentioned that the Library will be hosting their annual artisan market November 3 from 11-4p.m. She then expressed curiosity about the polyglot conference Ms. Lyons spoke about to be held in Slovenia. She asked then when the quarterly newsletter would be sent out and was told it will go out this week.

The Mayor then mentioned that the Tree Lighting Ceremony is also on November 14<sup>th</sup>, the same night as the GPAAS fundraiser.

Councilperson Jenny shared that the DPW worked a recent main break in cold and wet conditions and commended them on a job well done.

CM 10-184-18 <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

ABSENT: Marshall.	
MOTION CARRIED	
KENNETH A POYNTER MAYOR	LESUE M FRANK CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL NOVEMBER 5, 2018

### MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz

and Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: Councilperson Hugh R. Marshall.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 11-185-18 <u>MINUTES</u>

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held October 15, 2018 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held September 20, 2018, and the Ordinance Committee meeting held October 15, 2018.

ABSENT: Marshall.

## MOTION CARRIED

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 11-186-18 CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino: BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 115092 through 115226 in the amount of \$479,520.00 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment in the amount of \$11,200.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several watermain breaks at various residential locations.
- 3. approve payment to BB&T Governmental Finance in the amount of \$21,293.99 for the interest payment on the Capital Improvement Bond.
- 4. approve payment to Oakland County Information Technology in the amount of \$6,799.25 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the Police Department.
- 5. approve payment to BBEK Construction LLC in the amount of \$17,924.88 for the renovations and repair work at 21184 Country Club and the third and final payment of \$8,845.00 for repair work at 20437 Damman as part of the CDBG rehab loan project, for a total of \$26,769.88.
- 6. approve payment to Plante & Moran in the amount of \$7,500.00 for the cash modeling/fund balance tool that is being utilized by the Finance Department.
- 7. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$15,538.86 for professional services during the month of September 2018 for the following projects: Housing Rehab, #180-178; Proposed Street Improvements, #180-210; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; 2018 Gas Main Replacement, #180-198; Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; GLWA Charges, #180-209 and the 2016 Emergency Sanitary Sewer CCTV, #180-180.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 11-187-18 REMOVE PAYMENT FROM CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To remove payment #115141 to DTE due to the ongoing issue with street light outages.

ABSENT: Marshall.

#### MOTION CARRIED

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CM 11-188-18 OPEN PUBLIC HEARING - 2019 BUDGET

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki: To open the public hearing on the 2019 Budget.

ABSENT: Marshall.

MOTION CARRIED

## PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Calus thanked the City Manager for following up on his concerns and asked if the Budget allowed for hiring more public safety officers and if the City pays for training can they be required to stay for a certain time period. The City Manager responded that the amount of officers will remain the same. Mr. Callus added that if more tickets were written there would be more money to pay for additional officers and that there are not enough officers on certain streets. The City Manager stated he is looking into speed/radar trailers for different locations.

CM 11-189-18 CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING - 2019 BUDGET

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle: To close the public hearing on the 2019 Budget.

ABSENT: Marshall.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 11-190-18 ADOPTION OF TAX LEVY RESOLUTION - 2019 BUDGET

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED adopt the Tax Levy Resolution set forth on page 1 of the budget document hereby establishing the following tax rate for 2019.

General	19.9740
Refuse	2.5483
Library	1.9143
Debt	1.3750
Totals	25.8116

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

# CM 11-191-18 ADOPTION OF BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION - 2019 BUDGET

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the Budget Adoption and Appropriation Resolution found on Page 2 of the budget document, thereby adopting the 2019 Budget as presented.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 11-192-18 2019 STORM WATER UTILITY RATE RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED that in accordance with Chapter 27, Article V, Sections 27-120 and 27-15 of the Code of Ordinances, a rate of \$210.00 per residential equivalent unit is hereby established for the storm water utility charge to be billed December 1, 2018.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: Kindle.

ABSENT: Marshall

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# RESOLUTION ADOPTED

# CM 11-193-18 TRANSFER TO 2018 WINTER TAX ROLL - DELINQUENT WATER, SEWAGE, GRASS CUTTING AND COMMERCIAL REFUSE BILLS

## RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED Approve the transfer of \$184,490.34 for delinquent Water and Sewer bills, \$47,032.52 for Miscellaneous City Services, \$8,019.00 for Special Pickups and \$3,538.40 for Meter Replacements (total of \$243,080.26) to the 2018 Winter Tax Roll as proposed and submitted by the Finance Director/Treasurer.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, and Paiz.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

# CM 11-194-18 INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION - ORDINANCE NO. 2018-09 TO PROHIBIT MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENTS WITHIN THE CITY

## RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and adopt Ordinance No. 2018-09, entitled, "An Ordinance to Add Section XV to Chapter 12 of the City Code of Ordinances to Prohibit Marijuana Establishments Within the City," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, and Sawicki.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 11-195-18 RESOLUTION - REDEVELOPMENT READY COMMUNITIES

## RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the attached resolution to pursue participation in the Redevelopment Ready Communities Program through the Michigan Economic Development Corporation with any costs incurred to be provided with CDBG funds.

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**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None. ABSENT: Marshall.

#### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

## CM 11-196-18 AWARD OF BID - CDBG REHABILITATION PROGRAM

#### RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by CTI Construction Services for rehab work to be provided on the homes listed as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program:

19668 Washtenaw \$12,000.00 (waterproofing)

19717 Lancaster \$23,960.00

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 11-197-18 AWARD OF BID - CDBG REHABILITATION PROGRAM

#### RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by Six Brothers Construction for rehab work to be provided on the homes listed as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program:

19668 Washtenaw \$7,094.04 (renovations)

18784 Kenosha \$25,727.00

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

#### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Nancy Courtney of the DAAA gave an update and informed all that Paul Bridgewater is retiring and the new CEO is Ronald Taylor. She next thanked Councilperson Kindle for her work in trying to expand the program. She noted that SOC has changed their name to The Helm and that DAAA will be working to expand their program with them.

Mr. Bill Davenport stated that he had a property maintenance issue which he called on in October and that the rear yard grass is still not cut.

Mr. Tony Wagner of Washtenaw thanked Councilperson Sawicki for her earlier motion to remove payment to DTE because of streetlights. He suggested sending an appeal to the MPSC to force a response from DTE and contacting investor relations to seek correction of the situation.

Lisa Pappas introduced herself as a State Senator Candidate for District 2 and shared her background.

Mr. Calus congratulated Mary Paglia for her efforts with the street light issue as well as the City Manager and Councilperson Sawicki. He stated the DTE's restoration work is not satisfactory leaving trip hazards on sidewalks. He asked then if the Eastland owner has been identified. Next, he spoke about group homes saying that their residents aren't being cared for. He then complained that the website has broken links and is not updated in regards to ordinances and minutes.

Ernestine Lyons suggested Face Book as a means to keep up to date with the community.

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

Mayor Poynter thanked Pastor Harville for the street patrols on Halloween during the street light outages and said the City Council has been as responsive as possible regarding DTE. He shared that he recently went on a school bus tour of the Harper Woods School District which includes 2,000 students, visiting all the schools including the future site on Kelly that will be a college and career institute. He believes Harper Woods is "on the rise" and meetings with the Kelly Road Business Association will bring a real change in the future. He commented on the NEDC and their meetings saying this great group of people are trying to move Harper Woods forward. He then said a real highlight was the NAACP dinner at the War Memorial where Public Safety Chief Burke was honored and given an award. He urged all to vote in the upcoming election and to support the WCCCD proposal.

Councilperson Sawicki mentioned the process to fill the Council vacancy. She spoke of her sympathy and grief over the loss of the St. Clair Shores K-9 Officer killed in the line of duty.

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She made mention of upcoming events including the Drama Club meeting to be held Wednesday on Kelly Rd, the City Tree Lighting Ceremony and the K-9 Spaghetti Dinner also on Wednesday.

Councilperson Kindle stated the carjacking incident at WCCCD was the first in three years at that location and that the perpetrators were apprehended before they could leave the parking lot.

Councilperson Paiz clarified that the CDBG program is Federally funded and not all recipients are necessarily group homes or problematic. She next stated that there have been many donations for the upcoming K-9 Dinner. She then mentioned the City website. The City Manager assured her that he is aware of the issues and has attempted to address this and a formal comparison has been made to see if it could be upgraded.

Councilperson Costantino stated that group homes are regulated by the County rather than the City. She inquired who was responsible for work being done on Woodside saying that the use of a jackhammer is causing the ground to shake and nails to pop out of nearby homes.

CM 11-198-18

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:43 p.m.

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK
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ABSENT: Marshall.	
is hereby adjourned at 6.43 p.m.	

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL NOVEMBER 19, 2018

#### MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, and Vivian

Sawicki.

ABSENT: Councilperson Veronica Paiz.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 11-199-18 <u>EXCUSE COUNCILPERSON PAIZ</u>

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To excuse Councilperson Paiz from tonight's meeting because of prior commitments.

ABSENT: Paiz.

MOTION CARRIED

#### PRESENTATIONS

The Mayor and members of the Beautification Commission presented the annual Beautification Awards to Bernice and Calvin Reed, Frank and Karen Remlinger, Edwyn and Ashley Sierra, Greg Vargo and Teresa Foster, Shannon Goodwin, Alvin Redmond, and Sonya Williams Letman. The award winners were presented with a commemorative plaque.

CM 11-200-18

MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held November 5, 2018.

ABSENT: Paiz.

MOTION CARRIED

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Hakim asked if there was a listing of expenses for the check register.

Mr. Calus mentioned the cost of the payment to McKenna and that the purchaser of the mall has not been identified. The City Manager replied that the identity will be revealed following the transaction of money. Next he questioned the amount paid to SafeBuilt, Inc. and their duties asking if residents can know how much of the payment actually goes to code enforcement. He then spoke of the monthly bill to Nu Appearance questioning the payment to the City and what they are paid for their services.

CM 11-201-18

#### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 115227 through 115394 in the amount of \$663,583.37 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to McKenna Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$8,612.57 for the professional services provided on the preparation of the Eastland Concept Plan and the Redevelopment Expectations.
- 3. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$28,348.19 for professional services during the month of October 2018 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; Proposed Street Improvement Plan, #180-210; 2018 Gas Main Replacement, #180-198; Housing Rehab Project, #180-178 and the GLWA Charges Work Group, #180-209.
- 4. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,055.08 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of November 2018.
- 5. approve payment to Michigan Department of Environmental Quality in the amount of \$5,853.46 for the 2019 annual water supply fee.

- 6. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$38,931.20 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of October 2018.
- 7. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$11,060.75 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library and the Parks and also for lawn cuttings at various residential homes.
- 8. approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$220,526.25 for the operation and maintenance of the Milk River Drain for October to December 2018.
- 9. approve payment in the amount of \$5,400.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with emergency repairs to service lines at various residential locations.
- 10. approve payment to Optimum Contracting Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$42,800.00 for the renovations and repair work at 18558 Woodside (\$29,275.00) and 20516 Kenosha (\$13,525.00) as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None. ABSENT: Paiz.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 11-202-18 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 2 - 2018 CONCRETE PAVEMENT REPAIR PROJECT, #180-204

#### RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to L. Anthony Construction Inc., in the amount of \$41,213.96 for Progress Payment No. 2 on the 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair Project, #180-204.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Sawicki, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None. ABSENT: Paiz.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

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CM 11-203-18

SECOND READING AND ADOPTION - ORDINANCE NO. 2018-10, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 11, HOUSING CODE - CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY

### RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2018-10 entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 11, Article III Certificate of Occupancy of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances" and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None. ABSENT: Paiz.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 11-204-18

SECOND READING AND ADOPTION - ORDINANCE NO. 2018-11, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 11, HOUSING CODE - VACANT OR ABANDONED PROPERTY

#### RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2018-11 entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 11, Housing Code, Article V, Section 11-104 - Penalties; Municipal Civil Infractions - City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances, Vacant or Abandoned Property" and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None. ABSENT: Paiz.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 11-205-18 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION - ORDINANCE NO. 2018-12, AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 11, HOUSING CODE - RESIDENTIAL INCOME PROPERTY

RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny: BE IT RESOLVED Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2018-12

entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 11, Article IV - Housing Code of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances" and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, and Sawicki.

NO: None. ABSENT: Paiz.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 11-206-18 AWARD OF BID - 2018 SAW GRANT STORM SEWER CCTV INVESTIGATION, #180-202

RESOLUTION by Jenny SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by Doetsch Environmental Services of Warren, Michigan in the amount of \$477,710.00 for the 2018 Saw Grant Storm Sewer CCTV Investigation Program.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None.
ABSENT: Paiz.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

#### CM 11-207-18 LETTER OF RESIGNATION - COUNCILMAN HUGH MARSHALL

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED To accept, with regret, the letter from Hugh Marshall resigning his position with City Council.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Sawicki, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None. ABSENT: Paiz.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 11-208-18

#### CITY COUNCIL VACANCY

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to direct the City Clerk to place a public notice in the paper soliciting interested and qualified citizens to fill the vacant City Council seat, with said notice to include a filing date of December 5, 2018 and to schedule a Special City Council meeting for December 10, 2018 at which time all interested candidates must appear before City Council to give a presentation, followed by the City Council selecting a candidate to fill the vacancy.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Kindle, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None. ABSENT: Paiz.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Hakim spoke about construction on Stanhope saying the quick fix is now sinking creating a huge pothole. He stated that this may be a Grosse Pointe Woods project but asked if it could be looked into. He also said the large road work sign at Stanhope and Chester should be removed since no work is being done. Next he opined that leaf pickup this year was less than adequate with only one pickup on Littlestone. Lastly, he asked where to apply for Council vacancy.

Mr. Kabacinski, a former resident and Eastland business owner stated he hopes to see the mall continue and suggested boutiques could open there. He claims a public safety officer said retail would leave and the mall would close. He feels the mall has potential for a multitude of uses. The Mayor stated it would all depend on what the new owner chooses and that he hopes they will be interested in the plan the City has developed.

Ms. Lilly a Fleetwood resident who lives next to the home that burned in February, said that she has medical issues and despite complaints to the Building Department has had no relief.

Ms VanOverBeke and her neighbor, residents of Elm Court, stated they have made multiple complaints regarding a condemned home next door without any action.

Mr. Calus congratulated the Beautification Award winners and thanked Councilperson Sawicki for mentioning the election and appointment of Mayor Pro tem. He next said the ordinances were not updated on the website and that he would like to be able to view the

packet/agenda sooner. Councilperson Sawicki clarified that the Open Meeting Act does not require the packet to be posted.

Ms. Steiger stated she did not agree that the Mayor Pro tem position should be for a 4 year term only saying it then seemed as if 2 year positions were not equal in status.

Mr. Anthony Bond of Woodside complained of a neighboring rental property and the tenants who continue to park a large panel truck in the drive.

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor spoke of a Lifebuilders fundraising event held at the Charles Wright Museum, praising the organization for empowering and rebuilding communities. He then stated the Tree Lighting ceremony was well received with great music and neighbors. He shared that he will be driving his Hudson automobile in the Grosse Pointe Santa Parade and asked residents to give a shout out from Harper Woods.

Councilperson Kindle shared an email from Nancy Courtney of the DAAA regarding a December 12 forum being held at the War Memorial. She then said that the GPHW NAACP will also be participating in the Santa Clause Parade.

Councilperson Sawicki wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

Councilperson Costantino shared with the residents of Fleetwood and Elm Court that had complaints, that this is how she originally became involved in the City and running for Council.

CM 11-209-18 <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

ABSENT: Paiz.	
MOTION CARRIED	
KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK. CITY CLERK

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL DECEMBER 3, 2018

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz

and Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 12-210-18 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held November 19, 2018 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held October 18, 2018.

#### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 12-211-18 CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 115395 through 115477 in the amount of \$485,239.32 as submitted by the City Manager

- and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Michigan Supreme Court Finance in the amount of \$5,061.37 for software support on the district court's computer system.
- 3. approve payment to Badger Meter, Inc. in the amount of \$6,000.00 for the purchase of a hand held meter radio reader.
- 4 approve payment to CBIZ Benefits and Insurance Services, Inc. in the amount of \$5,750.00 for professional services.
- 5. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,055.08 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of December 2018.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

## CM 12-212-18 <u>LEGAL OPINION - ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM</u>

#### MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

to receive and file the legal opinion dated November 29, 2018 prepared by the City Attorney regarding the election of Mayor Pro tem.

NO: Sawicki

#### MOTION CARRIED

# CM 12-213-18 INTRODUCTION AND ADOPTION - ORDINANCE NO. 2018-13; TELECOMMUNICATION TOWERS

#### RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to Introduce and Adopt Ordinance No. 2018-13 entitled, "An Ordinance to Add Article VII - Telecommunication Towers, Sections 5-217, 5-218 and 5-219 to the Code of Ordinances to Regulate the Addition of DAS and Small Cell Systems in the City," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter and Costantino.

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NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CM 12-214-18 ANNUAL PERMIT TO WORK ON STATE HIGHWAYS

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the Performance and Indemnification Resolution related to the City's Annual Permit to Work on State Highways for calendar year 2019.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CM 12-215-18 ANNUAL PERMIT TO WORK ON COUNTY ROADS

#### RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the Performance and Indemnification Resolution authorizing the City to make necessary repairs to county roads and sidewalks, and further to adopt the Performance and Indemnification Resolution authorizing the City to take any necessary restorative corrections to county roads and sidewalks, and further to adopt the Performance and Indemnification Resolution authorizing the City to temporarily close county roads and/or place temporary banners within the right-of-way.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CM 12-216-18 DESIGNATION OF CITY ATTORNEY

#### RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to designate Sharon DeWaele as the City of Harper Woods' City Attorney effective December 3, 2018.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, and Paiz.

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NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

### **CALL TO AUDIENCE**

Mr. Hakim commented on the DTE letter the City Manager read saying that though it was nice it meant nothing. He spoke about the water meter issues saying that they can't supply the upgrades we were promised and wondered why we contracted with this company. He stated he has received a check from DTE for his cement contractor for sidewalk damage repair.

Mr. Quentin Springs of Huntington asked about ordinances for soliciting and if individuals are required to have identification. He was told they are. He went on to say that he spent a night in jail for threatening a solicitor with a shot gun in an effort to get rid of him.

Ms. Ernestine Lyons spoke about the Detroit Soup event saying she would like to bring this to Harper Woods. She thought the City could host an event to bring entrepreneurs together.

Mr. Will Smith who is involved with community outreach programs for youth said he would like to see more basketball hoops installed at our parks and another basketball program in our Recreation Department. He shared that 118 students tried out for the school team showing there is a need for more youth basketball. He shared that while working as a police officer he would engage the community youth by stopping to play basketball with them.

Mr. Tony Wagner of Washtenaw thanked Councilperson Sawicki for her comments on the streetlight issue and said he shares her frustration and agrees it impacts the administration. He went on to say there is now a rat issue due to all the recent excavation. He wondered if help has been sought from State Senators and Representatives.

Mr. Toussant asked if there were any updates on the Eastland purchase. He also asked if there was an increase on the winter tax bill due to the City's potential road improvement plans. Next he asked would there be any assistant attorney since Ms. Dewaele is moving up and was told Mr. Labarge would fill in when necessary.

Ms. Paglia spoke about the home across from her that burned on July 29 and remains boarded. She shared she called the police one night after hearing noises and another neighbor saw window boards in the rear of the home being removed. The residents showed a rental agreement but no Certificate of Occupancy and the Building Department

confirmed the home is occupied though still boarded. She opined that this situation is not normal and people should not be able to move into boarded homes and the inspection is not for another week. She also mentioned that she could not answer the dispatcher's questions because the street was too dark when the police came multiple times. Next she gave a heads up that DTE would be working in front of Beacon School and predicted it would be a problem.

Ms Julie Keller shared a story about a neighbor who recently moved in and had to witness first a raid on this home and then the fire saying it is an embarrassment to the City.

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor spoke about the K-9 event saying it drew a good crowd and was a great event. He mentioned the Santa Parade was enjoyable and well attended though very chilly. He then suggested the residents should check out the new Xfinity offices as he did during their grand opening/ribbon cutting in St. Clair Shores. He shared that he had an extremely positive conversation with the new owner of Eastland and that he planned to re-tenant the mall and has ideas for construction of housing facilities. He said the owner would consider working with the City and he encouraged all to think positively.

Mayor Pro tem Kindle asked if the new owner purchased all the buildings and was told the purchase does not include Macy's or Target. She then spoke about her recent attendance at a Harper Woods Advisory Board meeting held with the school district where students shared their ideas for the district. She found it enlightening and thought the students were innovative and articulate. She mentioned she had parade photos of the Mayor she would like to share. She then said that as a member of a selective service board she had an opportunity to sit on a panel with Congresswoman Stabenow. She said unfortunately there were no candidates from the City applying to the military academies and would like to see Harper Woods represented next year for West Point and other academies.

Councilperson Paiz also mentioned the K-9 event where \$6,000 was raised with over 100 people in attendance. She then recognized a number of donors and volunteers. She made mention of the bill that passed in the house regarding telecommunication towers. She commented that basketball hoops will soon be installed at Salter Park and that she is also concerned about the home on Ms. Paglia's street. She asked if the residents were squatters and requested more information on that.

Councilperson Costantino stated that there is an ordinance which addresses living in boarded homes. She wondered if the City's payments to DTE could be put into escrow until the issues are resolved especially since late fees are not assessed. She then shared a story regarding one of her rental properties and an issue with DTE. The City manager said there may be a possibility of legal action in the future.

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Councilperson Sawicki mentioned a letter from the City of Livonia regarding how they handle their leaf pickup and how it might be useful for our City's program. She also spoke about a simple recycling program she read about in the Beautification Commission of SE Michigan publication that might have some benefit to Harper Woods.

CM 12-217-18

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:
That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL DECEMBER 10, 2018

#### SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The Special City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Cheryl A. Costantino,

Councilperson(s) Tom Jenny, Valerie Kindle, Veronica Paiz and

Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 12-218-18 APPROVAL OF VOTING PROCEDURE FOR SELECTION OF CITY COUNCIL CANDIDATE

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino

To approve the process of appointing a candidate to fill the vacancy on the Harper Woods City Council as submitted by the City Manager.

#### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### INTERVIEW OF CANDIDATES FOR CITY COUNCIL VACANCY

The City Manager stated that the purpose of tonight's special meeting is to fill the vacancy on City Council caused by the resignation of Councilman Hugh R. Marshall, and that in accordance with the City Charter the vacancy would be filled by the City Council appointing an interested person within sixty days of the vacancy. He also advised City Council and the candidates that the term of this appointment would expire on the Monday following the November 2019 election. He then advised how the interview process would work saying that all candidates would draw numbers which would determine the order in which they would address the City Council for five minutes with a single question to be answered by the candidate. After all candidates have an opportunity to speak, the City Council would

publicly vote for the top three candidates. After the vote the three candidates would then be asked a question from each councilmember. After the completion of this session, a vote would be conducted again for one candidate. The voting would continue until one candidate received four votes.

The candidates then addressed City Council in the following order: 1) James Regan, 2) Ernestine Lyons, 3) Ivery Toussant, Jr., 4) Carl Anderson, 5) M. Joan Mannino, 6) LaVern Rutledge and 7) Willie B. Smith.

At the conclusion of the presentations the City Council recessed at 7:55 and reconvened at 8:05 p.m. The votes for the three top candidates were as follows:

### BALLOT 1

Carl Anderson	4 Votes	Mayor Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Kindle, Councilmember Sawicki,
Willie B. Smith	4 Votes	Councilmember Jenny Mayor Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Kindle, Councilmember Sawicki, Councilmember Jenny
Ivery Toussant	4 Votes	Mayor Poynter, Councilmember Sawicki, Councilmember Costantino, Councilmember Paiz
Ernestine Lyons	3 Votes	Councilmember Jenny, Councilmember Costantino, Councilmember Paiz
LaVern Rutledge	2 Votes	Mayor Protem Kindle, Councilmember Paiz
James Regan	1 Vote	Councilmember Costantino
M. Joan Mannino	0 Votes	

The three candidates were then asked a question by each councilmember. After the conclusion of the question and answer session the votes were as follows:

#### BALLOT 1

Willie B. Smith	4 Votes	Mayor Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Kindle, Councilmember Sawicki,
		Councilmember Jenny
Ivery Toussant	2 Votes	Councilmember Costantino,
-		Councilmember Paiz

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# One Candidate received four votes, Willie B. Smith, so no further voting was necessary.

CM 12-219-18

APPOINTMENT OF CANDIDATE TO FILL CITY COUNCIL VACANCY

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to appoint Willie B. Smith to fill the vacancy on the City Council until the next regularly scheduled City election.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki and Poynter.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CALL TO AUDIENCE

No comments were made

## **CALL TO COUNCIL**

Councilmember Paiz thanked everyone for their participation and shared that she was once in the same position of being appointed to the City Council. She also stated that each candidate made an impression on her and that this was a great learning experience for her.

Councilmember Costantino stated she was very impressed with the candidates tonight and felt that all of the candidates had much to offer and that the enthusiasm of the residents is what makes the City what it is.

Mayor Poynter shared that all of the seven candidates were extremely qualified and he stated that it is a great experience for everyone and is looking forward to great times ahead.

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CM 12-220-18

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

That the agenda of the Special City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:47 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL DECEMBER 17, 2018

#### MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Cheryl A. Costantino,

Councilperson(s) Tom Jenny, Valerie Kindle, Veronica Paiz, Vivian

Sawicki and Willie Smith.

ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 12-221-18 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on December 3, 2018 the Special City Council meeting held on December 10, 2018 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Board of Review meeting held on December 11, 2018.

#### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 12-222-18 CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

 approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 115478 through 115559 in the amount of \$441,968.32 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.

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- 2. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$31,264.40 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of November 2018.
- 3. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$40,173.69 for professional services during the month of November 2018 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Mgmt. Plan, #180-202; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; Housing Rehab, #180-178; 2018 Gas Main Replacement, #180-198 and GLWA Charges, Work Group, #180-209.
- 4. approve payment to Annointed Construction LLC in the amount of \$9,960.00 for the renovations and repair work at 19207 Washtenaw as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# CM 12-223-18 MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LIABILITY AND PROPERTY INSURANCE RENEWAL

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED, to renew the City's participation in the Michigan Municipal League's Liability and Property Pool for 2019 in the amount of \$223,974.00 for coverage as stated in their renewal proposal and, further that competitive bidding be waived in accordance with City policy.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 12-224-18 MODIFICATION OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING
AGREEMENTS - ADDING MLK JR. DAY TO
CITY OBSERVED HOLIDAYS

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the addition of the third Monday in January of each year, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, to the City Observed holidays for all City of Harper Woods employees.

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**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CM 12-225-18 CHANGES IN COUNCIL MEETING DATES - 2019

## RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the changes to the City Council meeting dates as listed for 2019; January 21 to January 23, 2019 for the observance of Martin Luther King, Jr; February 18 to February 20, 2019 for the observance of President's Day and September 2 to 4, 2019 in observance of Labor Day, and further that the City will meet on the second Monday of June, July and August 2019.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny and Kindle.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Cadotte expressed his concern with the 7.7% increase in his taxes from last year. He also commented that with the city's current fiscal situation that adding an additional paid holiday for all employees without removing another in its place is not responsible. He also mentioned that the speeders on several streets need to be addressed.

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor welcomed the newly appointed Councilmember Will Smith and wished everyone happy holidays.

Mayor Pro tem Kindle commented that she attended the Veterans' luncheon that was put on by Diploma Success and said that it was wonderful and very heartwarming at this time of year.

Councilmember Sawicki reminded everyone to be watchful in their neighborhoods for packages being taken off of porches and break-ins this time of year; "If you see something, say something."

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CM 12-226-18

**ADJOURNMENT** 

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	
KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING JANUARY 7, 2019

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

The Special City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 6:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz,

Vivian Sawicki and Will Smith.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

The City Manager introduced the reason for the special meeting.

City Attorney Sharon DeWaele provided a parliamentary rules/basics print out for all members to read.

Several topics were highlighted as a refresher for all councilmembers on proper procedures during a council meeting. Additionally, the role of Councilmembers with regard to answering the general public during meetings and on social media was discussed. Lastly changes to the travel policy for council when attending training/educational conferences or seminars.

CM 01-01-19 <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

That the agenda of the special City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY		

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL JANUARY 7, 2019

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz,

Vivian Sawicki and Will Smith.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 01-02-19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held December 17, 2018.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 01-03-19 CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

 approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 115560 through 115754 in the amount of \$889,200.44 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.

- 2. approve payment in the amount of \$9,300.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several watermain breaks at various residential locations.
- 3. approve payment to Litho Printing in the amount of \$6,475.00 for the printing of the 2019 City calendar.
- 4. approve payment to Optimum Contracting Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$11,775.00 for the remainder of renovations and repair work at 18558 Woodside (\$1,725.00) and 20516 Kenosha (10,050.00) as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
- 5. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$31,476.62 for professional services during the month of December 2018 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; 2018 Gas Main Replacement, #180-198; Housing Rehab Project, #180-178 and the GLWA Charges Work Group, #180-209.
- 6. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,055.08 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of January 2019.
- 7. approve payment in the amount of \$6,364.00 to the Michigan Municipal League for membership dues covering the period February 1, 2019 through January 31, 2020.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CM 01-04-19 CONTRACT EXTENSION - GFL ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

#### RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the proposal, Option 1, from GFL Environmental Services for an eight year contract extension through December 31, 2027 as outlined for refuse collection and disposal and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement.

Year 1 - \$37.099.00

Year 2 - Increase of 12.5%

Year 3 and 4 - Increase of 3% each year

Years 5-8 - Increase of 2.5% each year

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

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#### CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Cadotte spoke about DTE saying that he has become aware that they are imposing a TRM charge to residents that will continue for several months. This is a surcharge for DTE taking over the Detroit public lighting system.

Mr. Krass asked when he would no longer receive estimated water bills. He then said police cars are often on the freeway when we need them on local streets. Next he mentioned the helicopter which goes to Ascension St. John Hospital saying it seems too close to the trees. Finally, he warned residents about water bottles that have holes in them because someone is putting poison in them with a needle.

Ms. Szolach complained about how dark it is by her home and that the police are not even trying to monitor the crime situation.

### CALL TO COUNCIL

Mayor Poynter wished all a happy new year. He stated he has high hopes and is cautiously optimistic about Eastland Center and mentioned that a new jazz club is coming to the area. He looks forward to the new year.

CM 01-05-19 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL JANUARY 23, 2019

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz,

Vivian Sawicki and Will Smith.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

## **PRESENTATION**

Jim LaPalm, the representative from SafeBuilt, was present to speak about the company and what services they provide. He gave an update on their code enforcement efforts and provided statistics for tickets and court appearances during years 2017 and 2018.

CM 01-06 -19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held January 7, 2019 and the special City Council meeting held January 7, 2019.

#### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Calus had some questions for SafeBuilt regarding tickets and revenue. He mentioned he has not seen their vehicle in the neighborhood and asked what were their hours. He expressed concern for residents if SafeBuilt does not have proper identification when approaching homes.

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Mr. Selburn wondered if the City could operate the same services and generate more revenue. He spoke of concerns regarding leaf pick up and homes that did not shovel snow. He also was concerned about parking issues.

Mr. Toussant asked who was responsible for ticketing whether it was for cars or housing issues.

Officer Abdallah commented on the Patrol agreement and asked Council not to approve it. He mentioned concerns regarding members voting and said an unfair labor practice complaint has been filed.

Officer Hernden supported Officer Abdallah's comments and opined if the contract is approved it would be the demise of the City and the department.

Officer Silva said in spite of his years of service to the community due to a technicality he was unable to vote for this contract and was concerned that it would be approved.

Dispatcher Shroeder stated she loves the City and due to her schedule she was unable to vote and is upset with the incorrect voting process.

Officer Zimmeran said that it's unbelievable to him that a co-worker would not be able to vote when his livelihood is in jeopardy. He also said he doesn't fully understand the contract since he missed pertinent information while on a police run and it should be revoted on when all union members are represented.

Officer Abdallah urged Council due to legal issues to review this contract before voting on it.

The City Manager said the contract would not be voted on tonight and just negotiations will be discussed moving forward.

CM 01-07-19

#### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 115755 through 115833 in the amount of \$563,578.66 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Oakland County Information Technology in the amount of \$6,799.25 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the

Police Department.

- 3. approve payment in the amount of \$16,911.07 to Grosse Pointe Woods for the City's pro-rata portion of the operating and maintenance of the Torrey Road Pump Station for the period July 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018.
- 4. approve payment to the City of Grosse Pointe Farms in the amount of \$16,456.64 for Harper Woods' proportionate share of the Intermunicipal Radio System for the period July 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018.
- 5. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$29,672.60 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of December 2018.
- 6. approve payment in the amount of \$8,300.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several watermain breaks and also payment in the amount of \$7,000.00, to come from the DTE escrow account, for emergency repairs to water service lines for a total of \$15,300.00.
- 7. approve payment in the amount of \$4,781.00 per year to Equature Interactive Public Safety Response Inc. for a five year maintenance agreement for 911 and non-emergency phone lines, and a one-time fee of \$750.00 for installation, for a total of \$5.606.00.
- 8. approve payment to Badger Meter in the amount of \$5,250.96 for the purchase of 24 Orion 5/8" meters and 24 Orion 3/4" meter tops.
- 9. approve payment to Visicom Services, Inc. in the amount of \$5,098.05 for the routine IT support, email hosting and backups for our computer system as well as the purchase of four new computers and Domain registration for Harper Woods 32A District Court.
- 10. approve the reappointments to the various boards and commissions as listed on the attached memorandum from the City Clerk.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# CM 01-08-19 APPROVAL - EMERGENCY GENERATOR AT THE HELM LIFE CENTER

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to American Generator Sales & Service in the amount of \$104,404.51 for the installation of an emergency/backup generator at the Helm Life Center.

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ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CM 01-09-19 MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE - CAPITAL CONFERANCE

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED authorize those Councilmembers interested to attend the Michigan Municipal League's Annual Legislative Conference on March 19-20, 2019 with the City paying all necessary and related expenses.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Calus asked for leaf pick up clarifications. He mentioned that accountability is needed regarding snow removal. He stated that Coffee with the Chief was a success and well received. He then asked questions regarding cross training and hiring police and a grant received for this purpose. He thanked the City for the pole removal at the Beacon backstop following an accident there and wondered if it will be rebuilt. He spoke about the government shut down effecting the food stamp program and the possible effect on local businesses. He mentioned graffiti on a business and asked if the City plans to help with removal. Lastly he spoke about the GFL contract and the bidding procedure.

Nancy Courtney gave a DAAA update including senior meal delivery with the current government shutdown. She asked all to be mindful of senior citizens who may be in need of assistance during this time. She mentioned a celebration was planned for May, in observance of Older Americans month, with the theme being Connect, Create and Contribute and suggested the City could help sponsor this event.

Alissa Mobley spoke about the Diamonds and Pearls workshop for women to be held at the WCCC University Center. The HW Public Safety Department will be included and topics discussed are intended to educate women on safety issues specific to women. Mr. Selburn stated after reviewing the budget and tax information pages in the City calendar that in conjuction with PA 33 the police and fire mills have risen to maximum amounts and based on rising population numbers this would likely require a vote of the people in order to continue. He said he feels the City does not have the budget under control and could be inviting a law suit with the introduction of the publicity tax that he feels is not being properly administered.

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor commended the DPW for a fantastic job on storm clean up. He said he would be attending the upcoming DAAA meeting.

Councilmember Paiz mentioned that she was the only Councilmember in attendance at Coffee with the Chief and she clarified a point in Mr. Calus's comments. She questioned what the City has done with the publicity tax funds Mr. Selburn mentioned. The City Manager informed her that the Newsletter was prepared and upgrades will be made to the website and possibly to the outside sign as funds build.

Councilmember Sawicki spoke about the TRM charge from DTE and that it may have been based on our zip code which designates a Detroit area. She made mention of the resolution prepared by the City of Riverview that she received in her packet recently in opposition to the formula for computing CDBG grants asking if Harper Woods would also be negatively impacted. The City Manager said he believes the City will instead see improvements with this new formula. She then spoke about the SMART911. com app and the useful medical information it can include for dispatchers.

The Mayor spoke regarding PA 33 saying it is not based on anticipated population but on the census figures of 2020 and notices of the act were sent to all residents. He further stated that the City is trying to negotiate budget cuts and you can look at your tax bill to see the small portioned amount that goes to the City operations. He said the City continues to work hard to cut costs and to avoid emergency management and tax increases are not taken lightly.

#### CM 01-10-19 EXECUTIVE SESSION - COLLECTIVE BARGAINING MATTER

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing a Collective Bargaining matter.

#### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

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LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

The City Council adjourned to Exep.m.	cutive Session at 8:35 p.m. and reconvened at 11:16
CM 01-11-19	ADJOURNMENT
MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED That the agenda of the regular City is hereby adjourned at 11:16 p.m.	by Sawicki: Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSI	<u>_Y</u>

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL FEBRUARY 4, 2019

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz,

Vivian Sawicki and Will Smith.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 02-12-19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held January 23, 2019.

## MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 02-13-19 CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 115837 through 115929 in the amount of \$218,319.53 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.

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- 2. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$16,528.26 for professional services during the month of December 2018 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; 2018 Gas Main Replacement, #180-198; and Housing Rehab Project, #180-178.
- 3. approve payment in the amount of \$9,000.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several watermain breaks.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

## CM 02-14-19 AUDIT PROPOSAL - PLANTE MORAN

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED accept the proposal dated January 29, 2019 submitted by Plante and Moran for auditing services in the amount of \$42,925 for the 2018 audit.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. & Mrs. Serraiocco asked for clarification of the SafeBuilt payment asking if there is any truth to references on the Facebook page. The City Manager gave an overview of how payment is made explaining that 80% of revenue collected for permits goes to SafeBuilt and they bill the City for services. He stated that generally what they bill equals the revenue brought into the City compared to an in house employee that could incur many additional costs.

Officer Abdallah asked if the patrol contract has been ratified since it was not on the agenda and mentioned that the MERC case has been filed. The Mayor informed him it was not yet ratified and when MERC determines the case it will be brought before Council on a future agenda.

## **CALL TO COUNCIL**

The Mayor spoke about the school district advisory meeting he attended with Mayor Pro tem Kindle and the career institute planned at the Circuit City building. Next he mentioned that he and the City Manager met with the Optimist Club saying they would like to bring a new chapter to the school district and due to the inclement weather that day, they plan to meet again. He then stated he, the City Manager and Mayor Pro tem Kindle met with DTE and talked about their tree trimming program when the weather breaks. Lastly, he gave a Grosse Pointe Chamber of Commerce update and mentioned Harper Woods is again featured in the Insider's Guide publication.

Councilperson Paiz addressed some of Mr. Serraiocco's concerns about the Facebook page and her comments there saying she was trying to correct misinformation. She stated she plans to address this issue further in an email to the City Manager and Council.

Councilperson Sawicki gave her perspective on SafeBuilt saying the previous Building Department couldn't keep up with demand and more service was needed. She said she feels SafeBuilt is valuable, cost effective and an inspector is always available. She mentioned that when she spoke to DTE representatives they informed her tree trimming was necessary to maintain power in a storm. She then said she would like to address the many volunteers and incorporate them into community events including a page on our website to seek residents interested in volunteering.

Councilperson Costantino claimed she was amazed at what she pays in taxes for her various properties, sharing the amounts with the residents. She mentioned what each amount goes to and while in her opinion people are being over taxed, she feels not enough goes to the Library though they provide great services. The City Manager deferred to the Finance Director who explained that the Library is at their maximum even with the additional mills.

Councilperson Jenny commended the DPW for their efforts during the recent snow storm and cold weather.

Councilperson Paiz again spoke commenting that our community is more transparent than many others by sharing the check register, invoices and payments. She then shared information regarding various libraries and our library and how the budget and millage is handled.

Councilperson Kindle stated that in regard to SafeBuilt, specific information needs to be shared with the community so that this can be put to rest and determine their performance and service to the City.

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

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LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CM 02-15-19	<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>
MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORThat the agenda of the regular is hereby adjourned at 7:39 p.	City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting
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# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL FEBRUARY 19, 2019

## SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The special City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki and Will

Smith.

ABSENT: Councilperson Cheryl A. Costantino

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele, Finance Director John Szymanski, Public Safety Director James Burke, Attorney Ken Wilson, Attorney Todd Perkins, and City Clerk Leslie

M. Frank.

## CM 02-16-19 CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN AND COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing Corrective Action Plan and Collective Bargaining.

ABSENT: Costantino

#### MOTION CARRIED

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 6:02 and reconvened at 8:21 p.m.

# CALL TO AUDIENCE

Public Safety Director Burke stated that his intentions and actions have been to protect the City Council and shared his concerns with the procedure followed by the City Manager with regard to an anonymous letter that was prepared by employees of the public safety department. The focus of the letter was to direct the administration's attention to alleged overtime abuse by the Chief and the Deputy Chiefs. He mentioned that he was not contacted by the City Manager to discuss the alleged overtime violations and that an outside attorney was hired to investigate the matter. He stated also that the actions that were proposed in response to this would have decimated the public safety department. It was his decision to contact the Attorney General's office as well on this matter and others as a means to protect the Council from any possible violations of the Open Meetings Act or the expenditures of funds without their consent or approval. He also stated that as an employee of the City for more than 30 years, he remains dedicated to the department, the community and the City Council.

Attorney Todd Perkins stated that as the attorney appointed to investigate the alleged overtime issue, he hasn't approached the matter as an investigation but as a means to gather facts and his only goal was a complete vindication of all employees involved.

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilwoman Sawicki commented that she feels that the City Manager has not made himself available to other administrators for open communications and has failed to communicate items of importance to the Council in a timely manner.

Councilwoman Paiz agreed with the comments made by Councilwoman Sawicki and further stated that she has lost confidence in the City Manager.

Councilman Smith repeated a comment that Mayor had made previously about these discussions being about the process and not the goal. And that the goal is what needs to be kept in mind. He also stated that he hopes that the process moving forward begins being positive.

CM 02-17-19

## ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

ABSENT: Costantino

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MOTION CARRIED	
KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL FEBRUARY 20, 2019

### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz,

Vivian Sawicki and Will Smith.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 02-18-19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held February 4, 2019.

# MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 02-19-19 CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers through in the amount of \$ as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.

- 2. approve payment in the amount of \$10,500.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several watermain breaks and repair/replacement of stop boxes at various residential locations and assistance with water service termination for demolition on Fleetwood.
- 3. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$9,237.00 for sidewalk salting and snow removal in various residential and commercial areas of the City.
- 4. approve payment to Michigan Supreme Court Finance in the amount of \$5,049.50 for software support on the district court's computer system.
- 5. approve payment to Statewide Transport, Inc. in the amount of \$5,275.02 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the month of January, 2019.
- 6. approve payment to Doxim in the amount of \$5,689.35 for our Districts 1,2 and 3 water bills and the mailing costs for districts 1,2 and 3 water bills.
- 7. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$36,752.00 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of January 2019.
- 8. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$6,107.53 for the contractual assessing services performed during the months of January and for professional services in conjunction with tax tribunal cases.
- 9. approve payment to Visicom Services, Inc. in the amount of \$7,326.83 for the routine IT support, email hosting and backups for our computer system as well as the purchase and installation of five new computers, monitors and supplies for District Court 32A.
- 10. approve payment to BBEK Construction LLC in the amount of \$13,354.94 for the renovations and repair work at 21184 Country Club (\$8,952.34) and 20437 Damman (\$4,402.60) as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CM 02-20-19 AWARD OF BID - CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

#### RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by Six Brothers Construction in the amount of \$13,134.62 for rehab work to be provided at 18920 Old Homestead, as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.

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ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

## CM 02-21-19 AWARD OF BID - CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by Six Brothers Construction in the amount of \$16,501.37 for rehab work to be provided at 18827 Woodside, as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Cadotte stated that there should be more speed limit signs on side streets especially Eastwood and Old Homestead because drivers are going too fast.

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor said his meeting with the Director of the DAAA was enlightening and they hope to do more in Harper Woods. He stated he will be attending a meeting of the HW SOUP program in April. The program will assist some business owners to get funding for start-ups which will be excellent in Harper Woods. Next he spoke about his conference call with the State Treasury. He explained we are continuing to be monitored by the State and an offer of assistance has been made if we need it and he felt this was a very positive communication. He then mentioned that the County Treasurer shared the home foreclosures and Harper Woods had a 19 page list of 160 properties. He feels this is a good portion of the financial difficulties the City faces and how irresponsible people can be. He then shared that he discussed the new funding at the War Memorial with the former director and found that it is not the same as it was in the past. He questioned the accountability saying initially it was supposed to be a common place for the Grosse Pointes and Harper Woods and has now expanded to include cities as far as Bloomfield Hills.

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Councilperson Kindle shared that she has an opportunity to attend the National League of Cities conference in Washington D.C. and she asked for approval of her attendance, which will be paid for by the Michigan Women in Municipal Government (MWIMG) and reimbursement of her travel expenses.

#### CM 02-22-19 APPROVAL OF REIMBURSEMENT - TRAVEL EXPENSES

# MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To approve the reimbursement of travel expenses for Councilperson Kindle's attendance at the NLC conference with an amount not to exceed \$400.00.

#### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Councilperson Paiz spoke about Council/Manager workshops she has attended and based on their recommendations she proposed a Manager performance review.

Councilperson Sawicki asked for a committee of the Council to conduct this review.

Councilperson Paiz emphasized she would just like this conducted like many other communities do, with some direction and materials offered through the Michigan Municipal League.

The Mayor suggested that department heads and employees could be reviewed as well.

A committee consisting of the Mayor and Councilpersons Paiz and Costantino was formed for the review.

#### CM 02-23-19 EXECUTIVE SESSION - COLLECTIVE BARGAINING MATTER

#### MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing a Collective Bargaining matter.

#### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 7:33 p.m. and reconvened at 8:07 p.m.

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

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LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CM 02-24-19	ADJOURNMENT
MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED That the agenda of the regular City is hereby adjourned at 8:07 p.m.	by Costantino: Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSI	<u>LY</u>

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL MARCH 4, 2019

### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz,

Vivian Sawicki and Will Smith.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 03-23-19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held February 20, 2019 and the Special City Council meeting held February 19, 2019 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Local Officers Compensation Commission meeting held February 20, 2019.

#### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Calus thanked the City Manager for meeting with him to address issues he had. He also asked for clarification on a \$500.00 water shut off fee that Guardian Sewers charged the City and for CDBG information. (The City Manager stated that the \$500 charge wasn't a simple water turn off, there was a considerable amount of work needed prior to the water being shut off.)

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Councilperson Kindle asked for clarification of public comment vs. call to audience.

CM 03-24-19

#### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 116041 through 116147 in the amount of \$230,828.41 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment in the amount of \$14,100.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several watermain breaks, stop box repairs at various residential locations and flushing and replacement of several fire hydrants.
- 3. approve payment to Six Brothers Construction LLC in the amount of \$27,463.00 for the renovations and repair work at 18784 Kenosha as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
- 4. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$13,953.32 for professional services during the month of January 2019 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; 2017 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-188; Housing Rehab Project, #180-178; and 8 Mile Traffic Signal Upgrade, #180-179.
- 5. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,055.08 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of March, 2019.
- 6. approve payment to Badger Meter, Inc. in the amount of \$7,340.32 for the purchase of new 5/8" Orion meter tops.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 03-25-19 ESTABLISH PUBLIC HEARING DATES FOR SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

#### MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

to schedule a public hearing on April 1, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of receiving public comment on the continuation of a Special Assessment District and further to schedule a second public hearing on April 15, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the effect of the Special Assessment on the tax roll.

## MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 03-26-19 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT - FOP PATROL, DISPATCHERS AND DETECTIVES UNIT

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Harper Woods and the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Patrol Officers, Dispatchers and Detectives Unit covering the period January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020, and further to authorize the Mayor and the City Manager to sign the agreement.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Calus thanked the DPW for their hard work in this difficult winter season. He stated he did not wish to disparage Guardian but pointed out that the invoice only said water shut off. He mentioned that although taxes have gone up and that he does not have a complaint about the increase, but wondered if the public knows where all of their tax money will go. (The City Manager explained what the mills are on the tax bills, and that PA 33 goes directly to police and fire and PA 359 goes directly for advertising/publishing the newsletter etc.)

Mr. Cadotte commented on the assessments and how the procedure works. He asked what the percentage of home turnover there is in the City saying we could receive higher taxes from changes in property ownership when the assessment is uncapped. Next he stated that a news report claimed no one wants to take recyclables any more driving up the cost. He asked if we were going to continue to pick up recycling. (The City Manager said that our contract expires this year and along with the Grosse Pointes we will be looking at alternatives.)

The Mayor brought up the Wayne County foreclosure list of 150 homes and the total irresponsibility of property owners that causes these foreclosures, with some instances of unpaid taxes back to 2014. He also mentioned the irresponsibility of residents' unpaid water bills saying the City tried to remedy this by going to monthly billing. He stated there is no excuse for residents' non-payment of taxes or water.

## CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor shared that along with the City Manager and the Community Development Director, Ty Hinton, he met with the Optimist Club and hoped that something productive will come from this. He stated that the Harper Woods Business Association met this month and plan to meet again in another month or so. He then spoke about the black history program at HWHS saying that it was a great event with the best turn out yet. He also said The SOUP is coming to Harper Woods and the former Sears building is being sought outas the event site. He asked Ms. Lyons to give an over view of this group that will meet on April 28 at 6:00 p.m. He then commended the DPW for their hard work doing these last few weather events.

Councilperson Jenny thanked the DPW for their assistance to Grosse Pointe Woods with the loan of a back hoe to assist in water main breaks.

Councilperson Costantino shared a recent experience about a Detroit resident she drove through Harper Woods and her desire to now live in our city saying this is a way we can promote Harper Woods. She then commented that the Eastland Mall appears to be bustling in opposition to comments about the Mall going down. She shared her excitement about the new management and urged all to go see the new stores.

Councilperson Sawicki said she shares residents confusion regarding the increases in assessments and asked that the Finance Director put an explanation on our website. She stated that it is her belief that our properties are still under valued and clarified that the City does not receive a windfall because of rising values.

Councilperson Paiz informed the audience that a pancake breakfast will be held April 6 at Redeemer Church to benefit the GPAAS. She then spoke about a caucus work group event she attended where State Senator Hollier had several tables set up with information regarding many issues, including car insurance costs, to take any feedback shared back to the legislature.

Councilperson Kindle mentioned the Palm Sunday pancake breakfast held at the Amvets for the Lions Club. She asked interested people to consider joining this organization which does much good in the community and not allow it to flounder or cease to exist.

CM 03-27-19

### <u>ADJOURNMENT</u>

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

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MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	
KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL MARCH 18, 2019

# **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz, and Will Smith.

ABSENT: Councilpersons Cheryl A. Costantino and Vivian Sawicki.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 03-28-19 EXCUSE COUNCILPERSONS

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To excuse Councilpersons Costantino and Sawicki from tonight's meeting because of prior commitments.

ABSENT: Costantino and Sawicki

MOTION CARRIED

CM 03-29-19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held March 4, 2019 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held on January 17, 2019.

ABSENT: Costantino and Sawicki.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

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#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

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#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

# RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 116148 through 116242 in the amount of \$825,611.40 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Badger Meter in the amount of \$22,432.11 for the purchase of 72 Orion M-25 series 5/8" meter tops and 48 Orion 5/8" meters.
- 3. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$29,337.00 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of February, 2019.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Smith, and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino and Sawicki.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

# CM 03-31-19 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 1 - 2018 SAW GRANT - STORM SEWER CCTV INVESTIGATION PROJECT, #180-202

#### RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Doetsch Industrial Services, Inc. in the amount of \$25,743.60 for Progress Payment No. 1 on the 2018 SAW Grant - Storm Sewer CCTV Investigation Project, #180-202.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Smith, Poynter, and Jenny.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino and Sawicki.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

A resident of Detroit asked questions regarding Eastland and its current owner.

Mr. Serraiocco of Woodland asked if DTE would be coming back to make restorations on his street after the gas main replacement work. (The City Manager said that they would be back once the weather warmed up.)

Mr. Cadotte complained about the HWHS evening band practice saying the music disrupts his peace and quiet. He then mentioned the new high frequency water meters that are being installed and wondered where the signals go and how often they transmit.

Corinne Martin of GPAAS announced that since her 2010 partnership with HW Animal Hospital they have grown out of their space. A new donor is helping them move to a larger building that will be the first walk-in adoption center in the City. She then reminded all of the K-9 fundraiser pancake breakfast at Redeemer Church from 8 - 11:00 am on April 6.

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor spoke about a panel discussion he was part of with the League of Women Voters on running for office. He then shared that the Regent Park group of Detroit is interested in working with us to make improvements on Kelly Road and stated that good things are coming.

Mayor Pro tem Kindle provided a report from her recent attendance at the National League of Cities conference. She mentioned she spent time at the White House speaking to cabinet members who are interested in working with small communities at the grass roots level. Topics at the conference included the importance of the Census and the information it provides and looking at infrastructure of communities. It was suggested that communities collaborate on projects and continue to be involved. She then announced the Lion's Club Palm Sunday pancake breakfast to be held at the Amvets on April 14 from 9 - 1 pm. She next spoke about the Dream Big Detroit Youth event in collaboration with the HW school district to be held April 13 at Sound Mind and Sound Body headquarters on Mack and Marseilles in Detroit.

Councilperson Paiz stated the she and Mayor Pro tem Kindle will be attending the MML conference and that she is mainly interested in the workshop entitled 'Everyday Bias - Institutional and Implicit'. She also mentioned that Governor Whitmer will be in attendance and will discuss the state's budget issues.

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CM 03-32-19 EXECUTIVE SESSION - DISCUSSION ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGED DOCUMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing an attorney client privileged document.

ABSENT: Costantino and Sawicki.

## MOTION CARRIED

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 7:29 p.m. and reconvened at 8:58 p.m.

CM 03-33-19 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

ABSENT: Costantino and Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL MARCH 29, 2019

# SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The Special City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 6:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

# **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz,

Vivian Sawicki and Will Smith (6:07p.m.).

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 03-34-19 EXECUTIVE SESSION - DISCUSSION ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGED DOCUMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing an attorney client privileged document.

ABSENT: Smith (6:07 pm)

#### MOTION CARRIED

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 6:03 p.m. and reconvened at 7:47 p.m.

# CALL TO AUDIENCE

No comments were made.

### CALL TO COUNCIL

No comments were made.

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

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LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CM 03-35-19	<u>ADJOURNMENT</u>
MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTEI That the agenda of the special Ciris hereby adjourned at 7:48 p.m.	ty Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting
ABSENT: Costantino (7:39 p.m.)	
MOTION CARRIED	

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL APRIL 1, 2019

## MEETING MINUTES

The Regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

# **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki and Will

Smith.

ABSENT: Councilperson Cheryl A. Costantino.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

#### CM 04-36-19 EXCUSE COUNCILPERSON COSTANTINO

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To excuse Councilperson Costantino from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Costantino.

#### MOTION CARRIED

CM 04-37-19 ADD TO AGENDA - EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To add an Executive Session to the agenda.

ABSENT: Costantino.

MOTION CARRIED

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CM 04-38-19

#### **MINUTES**

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held March 18, 2019 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Board of Review meeting held March 11, 2019.

ABSENT: Costantino.

MOTION CARRIED

# PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Calus questioned the payment to Wayne County for supplemental funding construction of the Milk River asking what construction project was done. He also questioned a portion of the payment to AEW for Gas Main replacement asking if this was the DTE project and if they will be reimbursing the City.

CM 04-39-19

#### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 116243 through 116356 in the amount of \$465,876.71 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Statewide Transport, Inc. in the amount of \$8,374.57 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the month of February, 2019.
- 3. approve payment to Schoolcraft College in the amount of \$8,636.78 for the enrollment of two officers to the Fire Academy at Schoolcraft College.
- 4. approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$221,053.75 for the operation and maintenance of the Milk River Drain for January through March 2019, \$118,648.39 for the City's proportionate share of the SRF Project interest and \$177,922.00 for supplemental funding for construction for quarters 1 & 2 for a total of \$517,624.14.
- 5. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,055.08 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of April.
- 6. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$18,718.19 for professional services during the month of February 2019 for the

following projects: Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; 2017 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-188; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; Housing Rehab Project, #180-178; 8 Mile Traffic Signal Upgrade, #180-179; 2022 Federal Aid Projects, #180-212; and 2018 Gas Main Replacement, #180-198.

- 7. approve payment to Visicom Services, Inc. in the amount of \$5,396.79 for the routine IT support for February 2019 and also for the email hosting, security and backups for our computer system for the month of April 2019.
- 8. approve payment to BB&T Governmental Finance in the amount of \$23,659.99 for the interest payment on the Capital Improvement Bond.

# **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## PRESENTATION - CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN

Finance Director, John Szymanski was present to give an overview of the government mandated plan for our unfunded liability on the pension system and retiree health care. He explained the need to pay down our legacy costs while retaining a strong work force without layoffs. Through the negotiation process with the various unions, these costs will be reduced with proposed changes to all collective bargaining agreements.

# CM 04-40-19 OPEN PUBLIC HEARING - CONTINUATION OF A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

To open the public hearing on the continuation of a special assessment district.

ABSENT: Costantino.

### MOTION CARRIED

# PUBLIC HEARING

The City Manager gave an overview of what the Special Assessment is and what it will be

used for and how much tax funding will be raised and subsequently used for police and fire services.

Councilperson Sawicki asked if the amount per household mentioned in the overview would remain the same this year. The City Manager said it would remain the same and that the \$605 would raise the amount necessary for police and fire services.

Councilperson Kindle stated that the City has had a special assessment for the last seven years and wondered why this was not proposed directly to City residents to weigh in. The Mayor answered that there is a provision that can force the City to place this on the ballot by petition. He further stated that while we are trying to balance our budget the State is balancing their budget on the backs of the local communities. He feels the State should owe the City approximately 12 million in back revenue sharing payments which certainly would balance our budget. Help is needed from our legislators to reinstitute revenue sharing from the State and also from our community by making timely water and tax payments.

Mr. Toussant asked for clarification of retiree health care and if pensions are still offered to new employees. He was told that while pensions are offered they are not as generous as prior to 2015 and retiree health care will consist of stipends.

Mr. Olin of Danbury Lane questioned if foreclosed homes go to the City or the County. The City Manager explained the First Right of Refusal program saying these properties are offered from the County to the City first. In the past the City bought the properties and sold them to the highest bidder with the contingency that they be rehabilitated in order to be occupied. It is a lengthy, involved process that the City chose not to do the past two years. Mr. Olin further questioned if the foreclosures are occupied and if they are rentals.

A resident of Hunt Club expressed his support for the special assessment to keep our services and keep our community desirable which outweighs the cost to homeowners.

Mr. Calus opined that Safebuilt is not doing the job we pay them for especially with enforcement of ordinances particularly in the City's south end. He then stated that the treasurer did not provide a report of the use of tax money Councilperson Sawicki requested. (The City Manager clarified that the requested report was regarding assessment, not taxes and that it is currently on the web.) Next he spoke of the cost of cross training officers and asked if once they were trained could the City require them to stay with the City for a specific period of time. He further said the City Manager mentioned working with Eastland and he was under the impression there was no contact. (The City Manager informed him that mall management is running the daily operations, not the actual owners, and we are working with them.) Finally, he asked if the housing market and rising property values would help the City financially.

CM 04-41-19 CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING - CONTINUATION OF A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle: To close the public hearing on the continuation of a special assessment district.

ABSENT: Costantino.

MOTION CARRIED

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Cadotte thanked Mr. Snyder for taking the time to explain to him the technology of the new wireless water meters though he is still concerned about the continuous RF radio signals in his home. He then asked if the state law concerning paid time off for part time workers would effect the City. Next he expressed his concern about the Corrective Action Plan.

Mr. Calus shared a memory of the DPW director duct taping equipment when the City could not afford to replace a machine. He then stated while campaigning people asked questions including a possible law suit by our public safety department. (The City Manager stated that he is not aware of any such lawsuit.)

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor mentioned he and Councilperson Kindle attended the Corporate Advisory board of the HW School board meeting. He spoke about a meeting with Eastland Management where the topic of discussion was the production of Smooth Wheelzz and Jazz, a jazz festival and car show in conjunction with Starters and They Say to be held in June. He then said he and the City Manager met with Mayor Duggan where they expressed their concerns, one of which was the condition of properties at Kelly and Moross.

Councilperson Paiz brought up GPAAS and announced that the private donor that was talked about at the last meeting is Thomas Mackey. He has donated the new building and costs to improve its interior. Next she spoke about the assessment being on the ballot saying running an election is very costly. She then said that Michigan is at the bottom of all 50 states in receiving revenue sharing and at one time Senator Young brought something to the floor to attempt to have these funds reistituted, it never made it any further. Lastly, she announced that there is a K9 fundraiser pancake breakfast Saturday, April 6 from 8:00 until 11:30 a.m. at Redeemer church.

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Councilperson Kindle reminded the residents that there is a Lion's Club pancake breakfast on April 14 at the Amvets Hall. She then asked Mr. Snyder to share more information regarding the trimming practice of Oak trees.

Councilperson Sawicki commented on Mr. Calus's earlier statements by explaining the MTT process and how the commercial businesses in Harper Woods continue to receive tax reductions. She then elaborated on the cost of putting the special assessment on the ballot and the additional cost of educating the voters to insure its passage.

CM 04-42-19 EXECUTIVE SESSION - PROPOSED SETTLEMENT OF EMPLOYEE MATTER

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing a proposed settlement of an employee matter.

ABSENT: Costantino.

MOTION CARRIED

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 8:44 p.m. and reconvened at 9:37 p.m.

CM 04-43-19 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 9:38 p.m.

ABSENT: Costantino.

MOTION CARRIED

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL APRIL 15, 2019

#### MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

# **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz,

Vivian Sawicki and Will Smith.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 04-44-19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held April 1, 2019 and the Special City Council meeting held March 29, 2019.

### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Calus commented that he will be speaking about SafeBuilt, Inc. during this meeting.

CM 04-45-19 CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

 approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 116357 through 116473 in the amount of \$683,805.88 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.

- 2. approve payment in the amount of \$13,500.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several emergency watermain breaks.
- 3. approve payment to Badger Meter, Inc. in the amount of \$56,119.72 for the purchase of 168 5/8" Orion water meter tops, 128 5/8" Orion meters and one 1.5" Orion meter.
- 4. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$51,117.00 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of March, 2019.
- 5. approve payment to CTI Contractor Services in the amount of \$34,510.00 for the renovations and repair work at 19717 Lancaster as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
- 6. approve payment to Pella Holdings, LLC in the amount of \$34,066.90 for the renovations and repair work at 20862 Beaufait as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 04-46-19 PUBLIC HEARING - 20 MILL LEVY TO DEFRAY THE COSTS TO CONTINUE THE MAINTENANCE OF POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To open the Public Hearing on the levying of a 20 mill assessment to defray the costs to continue the maintenance of police and fire protection.

### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Calus asked for clarification on the sections regarding pension and that it was his understanding that the City did not make the necessary contributions to the pension system and asked if there is an explanation. He also questioned if the fund is still in arrears and what is the remedy.

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CM 04-47-19

PUBLIC HEARING - 20 MILL LEVY TO DEFRAY THE COSTS TO CONTINUE THE MAINTENANCE OF POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

To close the Public Hearing on the levying of a 20 mill assessment to defray the costs to continue the maintenance of police and fire protection.

# MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# CM 04-48-19 LEVY OF THE 20 MILL ASSESSMENT

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costatino:

BE IT RESOLVED to direct the City Assessor to spread the assessment levy of 20 mills on the taxable value of all lands and premises within the municipal boundaries of the City of Harper Woods to defray the costs to continue maintenance and operations of police and fire (10 mills for police and 10 for fire).

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# CM 04-49-19 DANGEROUS BUILDINGS PROCEDURE

The City Manager gave an overview of how this procedure works and how it could potentially help the City with residences/buildings that are deemed unsafe and need to be demolished. It could be much more expeditious as well as a cost saving process as there likely wouldn't be a need to go through Wayne County Circuit Court. The City Attorney also answered questions.

# CM 04-50-19 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 2 (FINAL) - 2017 CONCRETE PAVEMENT REPAIR PROJECT, #180-188

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to L. Anthony Construction Inc., in the amount of \$12,538.58 for Progress Payment No. 2 on the 2017 Concrete Pavement Repair Project, #180-188.

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**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# CM 04-51-19 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 2 - 2018 SAW GRANT, STORM SEWER CCTV INVESTIGATIONS, #180-202

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Doetsch Industrial Services, Inc. in the amount of \$32,042.59 for Progress Payment No. 2 on the 2018 SAW Grant - Storm Sewer CCTV Investigation Project, #180-202.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# CM 04-52-19 ACCEPTANCE OF DISTRESSED CITIES GRANT WATER METER REPLACEMENT PROJECT

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the attached Resolution accepting the State of Michigan's Financially Distressed Cities, Villages and Townships (FDCVT) grant in the amount of up to \$200,000.00 toward the implementation of the water meter replacement project and further to authorize the City Manager to sign all of the necessary documents required by the State of Michigan.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, and Paiz.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 04-53-19 AMENDED FOIA POLICY

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

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BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the amended City of Harper Woods Freedom of Information Act Procedures and Guidelines policy to remain in compliance with Public Act 563 of 2014, effective immediately.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz and Sawicki.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# CM 04-54-19 CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN - DEFINED BENEFIT PENSION RETIREMENT PLAN

# RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the Corrective Action Plan for the City of Harper Woods Defined Benefit Pension Retirement Plan as prepared and submitted by the Finance Director, and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the necessary documents and forward same to the Michigan Department of Treasury.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki.and Smith.

NO: None.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# CM 04-55-19 CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN - RETIREE HEALTH CARE

#### RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the Corrective Action Plan for the City of Harper Woods Retirement Health Benefit Plan as prepared and submitted by the Finance Director, and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the necessary documents and forward same to the Michigan Department of Treasury.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# CM 04-56-19 APPROVAL OF MAYOR PRO TEM KINDLE'S ATTENDANCE AT MML BOARD OF TRUSTEE MEETING

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve Mayor Pro tem Kindle's attendance at the MML Board of Trustees meeting with a limit not to exceed \$1,000.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# **CALL TO AUDIENCE**

Mr. Calus extended his congratulations to the Lions Club for their breakfast fundraiser for the K-9 unit. Then he thanked the DPW Superintendent for help with cement issues that occurred during the DTE project. He then requested a website assessment to clear any dead links. Next he asked for a get well wish for his father who is a 70 year resident. He mentioned that the Detroit incinerator is down and GFL is forced to drop off trash at another location that is much further away. He questioned what they are doing to keep pace with pick up. The City Manager responded the wrinkles are being addressed saying there is a possibility of a functioning transfer station and issues should be worked out when it is addressed with management. Finally, he asked for clarification of the most recent SafeBuilt invoice.

Ms. Collins stated there is an increasing issue with rats in the City and that she has spent over \$500 for poison and wondered if the City could help subsidize these costs.

Michael Collins spoke about the shooting on Damman street and that he was interviewed on the News. He stated that he does not consider some of his new neighbors to be good neighbors.

Jim LaPalm of SafeBuilt spoke regarding the Dangerous Building Procedure saying that their intent has always been to achieve compliance with any residence or building and not to tear down the tax base.

Ms. Lyons announced that the SOUP program is coming up on April 28 and that she is excited to have both the community and Council's support.

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# CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor announced the upcoming Mayors Prayer Breakfast is to be held at the GP Yacht Club on May 2<sup>nd</sup> and Ike McKinnon is the speaker with ticket cost of \$25.00.

Mayor Pro tem Kindle spoke about the late trash pick up on Kingsville saying that a number of residents put out their trash after GFL had been through because they, in the past, have come later in the day. She then thanked those who attended the Lions Club breakfast and commended the Lions Club for all they do in the community.

Councilperson Sawicki mentioned that DTE damaged her sprinkler. She then spoke about Earth Day on April 28<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 a.m. to noon which is an event to help clean up the City saying volunteers should register in advance if possible. She mentioned she would like to see high school students participate. She then shared that the Beautification Commission is sponsoring their annual Plant Exchange on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

Councilperson Paiz said the GPAAS K-9 event raised \$2,700. She then spoke regarding SafeBuilt saying that Council has approved their contract and has continued to approve each renewal after review. She said the contract expires this year and she shared some specific items within the contract.

Councilperson Smith said the HW School Superintendent took him to the site of the new tech building and that it was amazing. He stated he is proud of what is being done there. He then shared that the HW School District is encouraging their spring athletes to participate in Earth Day.

CM 04-57-19 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	
KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL MAY 6, 2019

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz

(7:03 p.m.), Vivian Sawicki and Will Smith.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

#### **PRESENTATION**

Deputy Chiefs Stager and Vorgitch were present to share some recent professional milestone accomplishments by the Harper Woods Public Safety Department.

#### PRESENTATION

Principal Ali, of Poupard school was present to speak about the proposed reconfiguration within the Grosse Pointe Public School system.

# **PRESENTATION**

Mr. Greg Tupancy of Wayne County's Department of Public Services, Environmental Services Group, Water Quality Management Division and Mr. Russ Strassburg of Tetra Tech were present to give a status update brief on the Priority 1B Improvements.

#### **PRESENTATION**

Mr. Scott Chambers of Drive Creative Services was present to discuss his cost saving approach used in the recent quarterly newsletter. The goal being to have the newsletter subsidized by community partnerships within the newsletter allowing PA 359 tax dollars to be used to improve the city website and possibly replace the electronic sign board. Mr. Chambers shared his collaboration with the City and further explained his business model to subsidize the quarterly newsletter.

CM 05-62-19

## **MINUTES**

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held April 15, 2019, the special City Council meeting held April 24, 2019 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held February 28, 2019.

#### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Calus questioned how far we would go for advertisements and how much would water bills increase due to the Milk River project.

CM 05-63-19

#### **CONSENT AGENDA**

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 116474 through 116577 in the amount of \$172,053.90 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$21,039.26 for professional services during the month of March, 2019 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; 2017 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-188; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; 2019 User Charge, #180-213; 21201 Bournemouth Antenna, #180-214; and 2018 Gas Main Replacement, #180-198.
- 3. approve payment to Oakland County Information Technology in the amount of \$9,042.05 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the Police

Department.

- 4. approve payment to Plante & Moran in the amount of \$32,300.00 for professional services related to the City's financial reporting and preparation of the 2018 financial statements.
- 5. approve payment to Michigan Supreme Court Finance in the amount of \$5,049.50 for software support on the district court's computer system.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 05-64-19 PROPOSAL - IT SERVICES; SIMPLIFIED BUSINESS SOLUTIONS

## RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the professional services agreement as submitted by Simplified Business Solutions, LLC to provide IT services for the City of Harper Woods and further, to provide a custom created website in an amount not to exceed \$2,800.00 with monthly recurring maintenance fees not to exceed \$190.00.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 05-65-19 MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE - WORKERS' COMPENSATION INSURANCE RENEWAL

## RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve payment to Michigan Municipal League Worker's Compensation Fund in the amount of \$133,469.00 for workers' compensation insurance from July 1, 2019 through July 1, 2020 and further in that this is self insurance pooled funds, that competitive bidding be waived in accordance with City policy.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 05-66-19 CONTRACT MODIFICATION - 2018

**CONCRETE PAVEMENT REPAIR #180-204** 

### RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the contract modification submitted by L. Anthony Construction in the amount not to exceed \$50,000 for the 2019 Concrete Pavement Repair Project, #180-204 and further that this work was competitively bid in 2018 jointly with Grosse Pointe Woods, that the city's formal bidding process be waived.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Toussant announced that the NAACP Youth Day will be on May 18 at the university center in Harper Woods.

Mr. Campo expressed concerns with the DTE restoration saying the City has not taken the opportunity to direct this process, specifically saying the peat and seed that DTE put down has just been drowned out with recent rain.

Mr. Hakim stated that Planning Commission members are now fully certified with the citizen planner program from the MSU extension program. He then mentioned the traffic at Tyrone and Littlestone and suggested a possible egress through Salter Park. Next, he spoke concerning a home on Littlestone that was sold to an out of state company which was condemned and then refurbished with shoddy materials causing basement flooding and foundation issues. He then said in regards to the newsletter he hopes that going forward the content would be more substantial.

Mr. Vegarro of Woodland spoke of DTE issues saying there is no contact person to help. He then asked what can be done about speeders in the City specifically on Beaconsfield where he witnessed a driver running a red light to pass him as he was doing the spped limit.

Ms. Beaubien of Roscommon spoke about a rental home next door to her that has allowed

the fence to deteriorate and their dogs are no longer contained in their yard. She further stated the rental is not registered and the owner information is not updated so there isn't landlord accountability.

Mr. Cadotte said there is a problem with speeders and there is a need for caution with ice cream trucks out soon. He then expressed concern about the new IT company that was approved tonight is too inexpensive as it could mean they are unable to provide enough security.

A resident of Elm Court spoke about an abandoned house next to hers with issues including holes in the roof, rats, falling gutters etc. She stated it should be demolished. (The City Manager said the owner now would likely be the land bank and that he would contact them to see what could be done.)

Mr. Calus stated that the Soup was a fun event and pictures taken there and posted on face book were not for political purposes. Next he said SafeBuilt did not have a reason to ignore calls including fence issues on Roscommon and that invoices he requested from SafeBuilt for his review have not been received. He mentioned the DTE project and how it has been undertaken. He then said no comments were made regarding his father in call to council at the last meeting.

Ms. Williams asked for additional clarification on the Milk River project and how it will affect residents in the future. She then asked if residents have conflicts with each other, is there a conflict resolution group in Harper Woods. (The City Manager stated that the district court has a mediation group that is available.)

Ms. Regan of Woodside spoke of a DTE issue saying they have worked on her cement more than once and because of rain will likely have to repair it yet again. She is concerned that the excess jackhammering could damage her foundation. She then questioned why Grosse Pointe areas received sod that was regularly watered as opposed to seed in Harper Woods that is not cared for. She then questioned if Council also adhere to meeting guidelines in terms of banter and expressions.

Ms. Matthys asked for more code enforcement this summer regarding overgrown lawns.

Mr. Olin of Danbury asked what the chain of command is now in the Public Safety Department without the Chief.

## CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor stated he met with Eastland Mall tenants and he and Councilperson Kindle met with Senator Gary Peters. He said Earth Day was an outstanding event with HWHS students participating. Next, he said the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Redeemer Church though lengthy was outstanding and that they have been a good neighbor. He expressed that the Soup was a great event and he couldn't say enough good things about it and that we will likely have one in the fall. He then mentioned that he and the City Manager met with the Grosse Pointe Schools superintendent to discuss the reconfiguration of the district. Next, he said, along with Mr. Smith, he met with the Harper Woods Men's club who had an outstanding presentation and he hoped this new club will do well. He stated the recent Mayor's prayer breakfast was well attended and the big news is that the upcoming Flea Market at Johnston Park is sold out!

Councilperson Sawicki announced the Annual Perennial Plant exchange will take place on May 18, 10:00 a.m. to noon at Salter Park. She then asked with regard to the Distressed Cities grant if there is a time limit on the water meters and how we'll be reimbursed. Next, she said Earth Day was well attended and she stated that she would have liked to have seen the local newspapers taking pictures as a way to bring positive promotion of our city.

Councilperson Kindle stated the Mayors' Prayer Breakfast was really nice and especially heartwarming because of the student's involvement. She then announced the Juneteenth celebration will be held on June 19<sup>th</sup> and it will be at Salter Park.

Councilperson Smith mentioned the Men's Club, which is similar to the former Dad's Club, is trying to recruit new members and is inviting men, whether they are dads, uncles, cousins, etc. to act as mentors to the young people in our community.

Councilperson Costantino mentioned the grand opening of They Say at the former Applebee's location and said the Catfish was amazing.

Councilperson Paiz stated that she went to the soft opening of They Say and that it was well attended. She also heard at the grand opening there was a two hour wait. She then mentioned that she had an email conversation with Mr. Calus regarding SafeBuilt and that she advised him that there may be a need to F.O.I.A. the information he requested. She also said that in regard to DTE issues there is only so much the City can do since they are a very big corporation and she personally is just as frustrated as many residents.

CM 05-67-19 EXECUTIVE SESSION - COLLECTIVE BARGAINING MATTER

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

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To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing a Collective Bargaining matter.

## MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 9:36 p.m. and reconvened at 10:32 p.m.

CM 05-68-19

## **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 10:33 p.m.

## MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL MAY 20, 2019

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**ROLL CALL** 

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz,

and Will Smith.

ABSENT: Councilperson Vivian Sawicki.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 05-69-19 EXCUSE COUNCILPERSON

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To excuse Councilperson Sawicki from tonight's meeting because of prior commitments.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 05-70-19 <u>MINUTES</u>

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held May 6, 2019.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Calus stated he stands corrected on prior calculations he made regarding a SafeBuilt invoice and he gave his figures on code enforcement cost.

CM 05-71-19

#### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 116578 through 116681 in the amount of \$457,311.84 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,055.08 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of May 2019.
- 3. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$47,102.00 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of April 2019.
- 4. approve payment to Plante & Moran in the amount of \$16,449.68 for professional services related to the City's financial reporting and preparation of the 2018 financial statements and additional services provided to the finance department through April 2019.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

#### CM 05-72-19 AWARD OF BID - CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by Optimum Contracting Solutions in the amount of \$25,600.00 for rehab work to be provided at 19454 Eastwood as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Smith, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

#### CM 05-73-19 AWARD OF BID - CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

## RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costanto:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by BBEK Construction in the amount of \$32,716.00 for rehab work to be provided at 19660 Lancaster as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

#### CM 05-74-19 AWARD OF BID - CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

#### RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by Six Brothers Construction in the amount of \$9,650.00 for rehab work to be provided at 21364 Brierstone as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

#### CALL TO AUDIENCE

Ms Honto shared a situation regarding a tree falling in front of her house saying that all who responded were very professional and the superintendent was present as well. She then mentioned a potential problem with another tree and wondered if cold temperatures could be an issue. She asked if our fire fighters or the City put in fire detectors and when is the next Ordinance Committee meeting. She was told it is not yet planned.

Mr. Rachel of Washtenaw asked what percentage of the area was rental homes. He was told about 38%. He stated that landlords need to comply with code and grass cutting ordinances. He mentioned he was surprised to hear that there is only one employee who checks and tags homes in violation and he cited a home that has extremely tall grass. He also mentioned teens walking in the middle of the street and garbage cans left behind and in the street.

Ms Kayetta Holly, a school board member, expressed concern over middle school parents speeding down Beaconsfield.

Mr. Jeff Cherry, a landlord on Eastwood, sought advise for a tenant who has a problem with a neighbor's loud parties, garbage etc. as do many others on that street. He stated over 100 calls have been made but the police have not been successful in solving these issues.

Mr. Waldo of Country Club stated he no longer feels safe in the City he has lived in his entire life. He said conditions are changing too fast and not in a good way. He fears everything from speeding to tall grass is getting worse.

Mr. Matt Campo of Old Homestead stated he felt Safebuilt was out of control based on his years of experience with construction. He said the building department should be in house and that it would save money while allowing the City to be in control. He felt it is time for a change. He then spoke about the trash situation saying that many cities have large trash bins and that with them we could possibly solve the problem of trash everywhere and rodents. He stated it is time to be smart in this City and to get something done.

Mr. Calus spoke about a tenant on Elkhart that is afraid to speak to her landlord who lives in a different country. He said she was under the impression that she was renting to own and this was not the case and she needs assistance. He than spoke about a home at 19477 Roscommon where the fence has been repaired since SafeBuilt came out. He wondered why it is necessary for residents to complain at a council meeting in order to get something done saying the police had to accompany SafeBuilt to enforce code. He mentioned the home on Beaconsfield Mr. Cherry referenced saying he has also witnessed these issues.

Mr. Steve Vigaro of Woodland thanked the City for help with his DTE issues.

Pierre, a recent HWHS graduate suggested if the teens of the City had more activities there would probably not be as many issues with their behavior.

CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor opened with the Poupard Town Hall meeting saying that 1/3 of the children in Harper Woods attend Grosse Pointe schools and Poupard's closing could impact our City. He then mentioned he toured the Milk River site. He next stated that the Beautification Commission's Perennial Plant Exchange which has been held for 29 years was well attended. He attended the fundraiser for GPAAS which was held at Blossom Heath, saying it was a great event. He said he was also in attendance at the recent WCCCD meeting and that he considers it lucky that you can go from Kindergarten through college without leaving Harper Woods. He also shared that the Flea Market went very well and all the sites were purchased. Next he announced the Memorial Day service will be held at Johnston Park at 10:15. He also shared the Council meeting summer schedule which is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday in the months of June, July and August. The Mayor then shared that his interactions with DTE including the necessity of having his vard torn up several times was always handled efficiently and professionally. He stated he also drives up and down the City streets including Beaconsfield and agrees that people speeding and dumping garbage should be cited. He questioned how people can be taught to act with manners when their parents have failed to educate them. He then stated that he feels SafeBuilt is getting a bad rap and that they are doing a good job when in the past tickets were not even issued and now there are quite a few. He continued by saying if they were actually not a good company they would not be nationwide and used in so many communities and overall this is the best the City has had in years even if it is not perfect. He said previously we had a community that policed itself but people have gotten lazy. He suggested residents not share addresses on television and instead call the police when there is an issue so it can be addressed at the time it's happening not afterwards.

Mayor Pro tem Kindle spoke about an NAACP event held on Saturday which was Youth Day at WCCCD Center. She shared that through this organization scholarships are available and there are opportunities for young people to get involved and meetings are held on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. at the War Memorial. She said she also attended the Chandler Park Academy "School on the Move" event and the Juneteenth ceremony held at Salter Park and both were well attended.

Councilperson Paiz shared that she was also in attendance at the Milk River site tour and learned so much about sewers. She then commented on the Flea Market where she was a vendor saying that turnout was decent as it also was at the Perennial Plant Exchange. She then mentioned that the Public Safety annual report came out today and wondered if it would be on the website. Next she spoke about the Poupard Town Hall meeting that she thought had approximately 300 in attendance. She shared how the process went and the changes that could take place if the school closed also saying the group was calm and in control. She then commented on trash issues saying the City got a good deal with GFL and a cost saving comparison was done with bags only instead of large receptacles which explains the City's choice. She stated the Council will take all the residents comments regarding SafeBuilt to heart when their contract is due

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for renewal in the Fall.

Councilperson Smith thanked residents for attending tonight's meeting saying that is how things get done. He further stated that he feels Harper Woods is a safe and good city. He agreed with the Mayor that when residents see an issue they should speak up. He talked about a situation where he witnessed a fight while driving by and was able to intervene and stop it. He commented that while we may not be perfect we are a safe community.

Councilperson Costantino stated she also loves Harper Woods and owns 8 houses here. She says she plans to do a shake up of the bad landlords in the City and asked residents to share who they are. She next commented that SafeBuilt has come a long way but she wondered if there is a was to make it more profitable for the City than SafeBuilt since she feels the City should be able to make money.

CM 05-75-19

#### ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

ABSENT: Sawicki

MOTION CARRIED

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL JUNE 10, 2019

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

**ROLL CALL** 

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki

and Will Smith.

ABSENT: Councilperson Tom Jenny.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 06-76-19 EXCUSE COUNCILPERSON

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To excuse Councilperson Jenny from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Jenny

MOTION CARRIED

#### **PRESENTATION**

Deputy Chiefs Stager and Vorgitch presented Police Officer William Alford with a plaque to recognize him as Police Officer of the Year.

CM 06-77-19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on May 20, 2019 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meetings held March 21, 2019 and April 18, 2019.

ABSENT: Jenny.

### MOTION CARRIED

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Calus asked when curbside recycling would end and if the fee will come off the water bill and if any reserve money returns to council.

Ms. Silarski said that traffic calming devices are ineffective and not a good idea.

Ms. Lyons asked if, with the end of curbside recycling, there were alternate suggestions to lesson our carbon foot print in Harper Woods.

CM 06-78-19

### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 116682 through 116843 in the amount of \$749,705.25 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$309,751.00 for the operation and maintenance of the Milk River Drain for April to June, 2019 and for the third quarter supplemental funding for construction.
- 3. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$25,227.18 for professional services during the month of April 2019 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; 2017 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-188; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; 2018 Gas Main Replacement, #180-198; and Housing Rehab Project, #180-178.
- 4. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,055.08 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of June 2019.
- 5. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$5,671.00 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library and the Parks.
- 6. to approve the purchase of 2 in-car computers from Dell in the amount of \$5,864.62 for the police department scout cars.
- 7. approve payment to Six Brothers Construction in the amount of \$58,614.41 for the renovations and repair work: \$7,864.00 at 18784 Kenosha, \$17,479.00 at 18920 Old Homestead, \$23,288.37 at 18827 Woodside and \$9,983.04 at 19668 Washtenaw as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.

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**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Costantino, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

#### CM 06-79-19 AGREEMENT - DRIVE CREATIVE SERVICES

## RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the three (3) year agreement between the City of Harper Woods and Drive Creative Services for the quarterly community resource publication as outlined in the agreement prepared by the City Attorney and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, and Costantino.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

#### CM 06-80-19 APPROVAL OF PURCHASE - TRAFFIC CALMING DEVICES

#### RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the purchase of five (5) Pole Mounted Display (PMD) 12" Radar Speed Amber LED Traffic Calming Devices from Kustom Signals, Inc. in the amount of \$13,899.75.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, and Kindle.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

#### CM 06-81-19 GFL ENVIRONMENTAL - CURBSIDE RECYCLING PROGRAM

#### RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to opt out of the Grosse Pointe Curbside Recycling program and not

extend a one year contract as provided for by GFL Environmental Services in an effort to save \$154,381.00 annually.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, and Paiz.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

#### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 06-82-19 FIRST READING AND ADOPTION - ORDINANCE NO. 2019-01; FIREWORKS, CONSUMER USE

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to Introduce and Adopt Ordinance No. 2019-01 entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 8, Article IV, Section 8-72, Fireworks; Use of Consumer" to have immediate effect for the preservation of the peace, health, safety and welfare of the people of the City Harper Woods, and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Paiz and Sawicki.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 06-83-19 ADOPT DANGEROUS BUILDING PROCEDURE

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the Dangerous Building Procedure as set forth in Michigan Compiled Law 125.540 and presented herein by the City Attorney, and further to appoint Greg Vargo as the City's Hearing Officer and further to appoint the City's Planning Commission members to serve as the Board of Appeals.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki and Smith.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

#### CALL TO AUDIENCE

A resident spoke about the delays with trash pick up mentioning that the two places our garbage is currently being dumped are in Lenox and Salem Twp. which are 4 hour drives and wondered if there was something the City could do to get the incinerator reopened. He said the garbage may smell if there are delays in summer. The City Manager shared that GFL did not inform the City of the delays and there was some miscommunication. He then explained what happened and how we will move forward.

Mr. Hakim stated he lives near Grosse Pointe Woods and they did not have rubbish delayed and there is inequality in GFL's treatment of our City. He said there was no word on his previous suggestion with Tyrone School drop off routing through Salter Park and asked if dog waste bags can be supplied to the dog park there. He next shared his experience with water meter replacement and he asked the workers how much of the City have new meters in service. He then mentioned he heard gun shots over the weekend.

Mr. Tourville, a former traffic safety officer shared statistics on traffic calming devices benefitting the community. He stated that 85% of people who see a speed sign will slow down which does have an overall effect on speeders.

Ms. Silarski shared a number of concerns about a home across the street from her including an uncut lawn, hanging garage door, deteriorating conditions, no Certificate of Occupany and unpaid taxes. She stated that she heard the owners were attempting to sell the property at an extremely low price and this has continued for 4 years and she worries the condemnation procedure may be stalled.

Mr. Pollack of Eastwood has photos of this home stating it is not habitable and should be torn down.

Ms. Amena Taylor introduced a non-profit organization called "Mind Your Business" that is coming to the community on June 26 and will provide support and services without cost to anyone.

A resident of Woodmont said GFL has had several garbage delays in the past as well and they have left garbage behind. She stated she is angry and disappointed and other communities like Roseville, Eastpointe and Grosse Pointe have not had this issue. Next she mentioned that vines growing up on the fence at Lochmoor bridge are causing visibility issues and unsafe conditions. Then she stated that on Woodmont there has been an influx of motorcycles speeding up to 60 miles an hour.

Mr. Van Pouker stated that he thinks Mr. Smith is a great asset to Council and he had many good things to say about City Manager Rheker whom he has known for 40 years. He spoke about a neighbor who piles garbage in her yard and won't take it to the curb for pickup and asked what the fine was for littering in Harper Woods and said it should be up to \$500.

Mr. Calus gave his overview of the home at 19405 Eastwood. He then asked if the fireworks ordinance followed state law as to the holidays mentioned. He questioned why there hasn't been an Ordinance Committee meeting and why the last four meetings scheduled were canceled. He spoke about the problems with GFL stating the DPW answered over 350 calls and he said he was upset that GFL did not communicate better with residents or that the residents did not hear from any city officials. He wondered why Nixle wasn't used to get a message to residents about the garbage delay. Lastly he shared an issue with neighbors who are renters and their illegally parked cars.

Mr. Degarro asked if the City would look at other recycling methods. He then asked how soon would the traffic calming devices data be collected and when will the police get an officer on streets where speeding is out of control.

### CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor spoke about the Harper Woods High School cap and gown assembly saying there were over a hundred seniors and enrollment has been growing. He then mentioned that Alkebu-Lan Village located in the Harper/VanDyke area is interested in working with the City and the schools, offering a number of after school programs to help children. He next said the Harper Woods Mens Club meetings have been excellent and the members will help to mentor young adults. Finally, he shared that he was in attendance at the retirement party last Friday of the former Police Chief saying that it was great to see so many police chiefs, employees and former employees and that it was a great send off for a person that served this community for 36 years.

Councilperson Kindle announced that the Juneteenth celebration would be at Salter Park on June 19 from 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. She said that is was a great celebration last year and she is looking forward to this year's event.

CM 06-84-19

**ADJOURNMENT** 

MOTION by Smith, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

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I hat the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upo	n, the meeting
is hereby adjourned at 9:03 p.m.	

ABSENT: Jenny.	
MOTION CARRIED	
KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL JULY 8, 2019

### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz,

and Will Smith.

ABSENT: Councilperson Vivian Sawicki.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 07-85-19 EXCUSE COUNCILPERSON

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To excuse Councilperson Vivian Sawicki from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Sawicki

MOTION CARRIED

#### PRESENTATION

The Valedictorian, Carolyn Hall, from Harper Woods High School was recognized for her achievements and presented with a proclamation.

#### PRESENTATION

The City Clerk swore in our two new Public Safety Officers Christopher Joseph and Joseph D'Angelo.

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CM 07-86-19

## **MINUTES**

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held June 10, 2019, and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held May 16, 2019, and the Planning Commission meetings held on February 27, 2019 and June 26, 2019.

**ABSENT: Sawicki** 

MOTION CARRIED

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Calus questioned why three counties are in involved in prisoner lodging and asked City Council to review the SafeBuilt invoice.

Mr. Toussant commented on the closing of Poupard and its potential impact to the community.

CM 07-87-19

#### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 116844 through 117032 in the amount of \$897,975.24 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$32,988.00 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of May 2019.
- approve payment to Simplified Business Solutions in the amount of \$19,605.45 for the HWPD LEIN Infrastructure update and first installment of the creation of our website.
- 4. approve payment to Honeywell International, Inc. in the amount of \$48,250.00 for the balance owed for energy upgrades and repairs to City facilities.
- 5. approve payment to Statewide Transport, Inc. in the amount of \$5,424.67 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the month of May, 2019.
- 6. approve payment to Alter Collision in the amount of \$7,471.18 for the repair of one of our police interceptor vehicles.
- 7. approve payment to CTI LLC in the amount of \$12,000.00 for the renovations and

- repair work at 19668 Washtenaw as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
- 8. approve payment to Oscar W. Larson Co. in the amount of \$11,100.00 for the urgent and necessary repairs to the underground fuel storage tank.
- 9. approve the quote prepared by Bell Equipment in the amount of \$6,086.78 for the necessary repairs to our street sweeper.
- 10. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,257.25 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of July 2019.
- 11. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$25,865.06 for professional services during the month of May 2019 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Management Plan, #180-202; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; SRF Application, Sewer Rehab Project, #180-142; 2019 User Charge, #180-213 and the 2018 Gas Main Project, #180-198.
- 12. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$5,208.00 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library and the Parks.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 07-88-19 SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL - 20726 HARPER AVENUE - TACO BELL

## RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the amended special land use application submitted by Anthony Barchanowicz, representing Taco Bell for the Drive-in Establishment at 20726 Harper Avenue, based on the criteria in zoning ordinance Sec. 10-770F and as recommended by the member of the Planning Commission.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Smith, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki

#### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

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## CM 07-89-19 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 3 - 2018 SAW GRANT; <u>STORM SEWER CCTV INVESTIGATION</u>

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Doetsch Industrial Services, Inc. in the amount of \$68,086.80 for Progress Payment No. 3 on the 2018 SAW Grant - Storm Sewer CCTV Investigation Project, #180-202.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

## CM 07-90-19 MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED authorize those Councilmembers interested to attend the Michigan Municipal League's Annual Convention September 25-27, 2019 with the City paying all necessary and related expenses.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

#### CALL TO AUDIENCE

A resident asked what is planned to replace the recycling program . The City Manager gave an overview of the history and how the elimination of the program evolved.

Mr. Kalogerakos expressed his disappointment with recycling elimination and said the increase would only be about \$48.00 per household.

Mr. Valentine spoke about the closing of Poupard School. He offered statistics regarding the Blue Ribbon Committee and their original intentions to close Mason school. He mentioned there could be racial issues with bussing students and stated a bond was

supported prior to the closing of the schools. He also inquired what could be done and he then asked to be placed on the agenda of the next meeting to give his full report.

A resident of Old Homestead stated they would be willing to pay the extra money to continue the recycling program.

Mr. Calus talked about recycling and how he handles his rubbish and asked what would be the cost to keep the program, saying he agreed it was a hard decision. He then commented on the closing of Poupard and the possible negative affect on residents in the community. He next mentioned the MML conference that was approved earlier and asked about the cost and if lodgings would be necessary as it is being held in Detroit. Lastly, he asked if the information provided in the City's Insider Newsletter about meter upgrades was accurate and when would the residents get actual monthly water reads.

A resident of Woodside spoke about a water main break from last September saying the sidewalk/driveway is not yet restored.

Ms. Killenberg stated she has a hard time hearing the Council at meetings. She mentioned that she asked on a facebook page what people enjoyed about Harper Woods and there were many positive comments she would like the City Manager to see.

Ms. Lyons commented that she met with community members to discuss an alternative to the ending of the recycling program.

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilperson Costantino qualified her vote to end recycling by explaining that much of the recycling went into the landfill with the garbage and suggested the possibility of collection bins in the City Hall lot that would potentially go directly to a recycling facility.

Councilperson Kindle thanked all the volunteers and attendees at the Juneteenth celebration and the DPW and Recreation departments for help with set up.

Councilperson Paiz read a prepared resolution regarding the closing of Poupard and the Council's opposition to this closure.

CM 07-91-19 ADD ITEM TO AGENDA - DRAFT RESOLUTION
IN OPPOSITION TO THE CLOSING OF POUPARD ELEMENTARY

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

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To add to the agenda a draft resolution in opposition to the closing of Poupard school.

ABSENT: Sawicki

**MOTION CARRIED** 

07-92-19 SUBMIT DRAFT RESOLUTION IN OPPOSITION OF THE CLOSING OF POUPARD ELEMENTARY FOR REVISIONS

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

To submit the draft resolution in opposition of the closing of Poupard Elementary for revisions.

ABSENT: Sawicki

MOTION CARRIED

## **CALL TO COUNCIL** (CONT.)

Councilperson Paiz said she spoke with the City of Sterling Heights about recycling in their community saying they have closed a processing center because of the cost to the City. The cost to the City would be increased approximately \$150,000. She also learned that glass is not wanted at recycling facilities and the need for plastic recyclables is limited. Lastly she stated that there was no assurance by GFL that recyclables would make it to a recycling center rather than the landfill.

Councilperson Smith stated he shares other residents feelings about the closure of Poupard school. He then commended Carolyn Hall for being a consistent and outstanding student.

Mayor Poynter said tonight's meeting was a good example of the community trying to listen to each other and seek solutions to issues, saying we can agree to disagree and still respect one another. He pointed out the words commune and unity make up the word community and residents should not criticize and speak negatively on facebook but instead should build the community and make it better.

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CM 07-93-19

## **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Smith:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

<b>MOTION</b>	<b>CARRIED</b>
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KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL AUGUST 12, 2019

## **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki

and Will Smith.

ABSENT: Councilperson Tom Jenny.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 08-94-19 EXCUSE COUNCILPERSON

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

To excuse Councilperson Jenny from tonight's meeting because of prior commitments.

ABSENT: Jenny.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 08-95-19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held July 8, 2019 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Board of Review meeting held July 16, 2019.

ABSENT: Jenny.

MOTION CARRIED

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## <u>PRESENTATION</u>

Deputy Chief Stager gave an overview of Firefighter Kevan Kochan's training, certifications and qualifications and announced his recent promotion to Captain. Captain Mehl of the Fire Department also spoke on his behalf.

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 08-96-19

#### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 117033 through 117268 in the amount of \$970,206.14 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Badger Meter, Inc. in the amount of \$54,639.31 for the purchase E Series Ultrasonic meters, 5/8" Orion Meters and 5/8" Orion meter tops.
- approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$7,063.70
  for the contractual fertilization/weed maintenance in various areas of the City,
  including City Hall, Library, the annexes, DPW lots and the Parks and also for main
  break restorations and lawn cuttings at residential homes not in compliance with the
  City ordinance.
- 4. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$34,718.80 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of June 2019.
- 5. approve payment to Doxim in the amount of \$5,126.20 for the printing and mailing of the 2019 summer property tax bills and water bills for Districts 1, 2 and 3.
- 6. approve payment in the amount of \$5,300.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with repairs to water service lines, the installation of a stop box, and an emergency watermain break.
- 7. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$20,136.27 for professional services during the month of June 2019 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Management Plan, #180-202; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; Housing Rehab Project, #180-78; Christian Financial Parking Lot, #180-216; 2019 User Charge, #180-213; the 2018 Gas Main Project, #180-198; and the 2019 Emergency Sanitary Sewer CCTV, #180-215.

- 8. approve payment to Michigan Supreme Court Finance in the amount of \$5,049.50 for software support on the district court's computer system and SOS/Lein fees.
- 9. approve payment to Oakland County Information Technology in the amount of \$6,799.25 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the Police Department.
- 10. approve payment in the amount of \$21,452.50 to Grosse Pointe Woods for the City's prorata portion of the operating and maintenance of the Torrey Road Pump Station for the period January 1, 2019 through June 30, 2019.
- 11. approve payment in the amount of \$5,100.40 to Drive Creative Services, LLC for the printing, sorting, bundling, and delivery of the July September Newsletter.
- 12. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,257.25 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of July 2019.
- 13. approve payment to Six Brothers Construction LLC in the amount of \$60,589.00; \$16,710.00 for the renovations and repair work at 18827 Woodside, \$15,564.00 at 18920 Old Homestead, \$13,970.00 at 21364 Brierstone and \$14,345.00 at 18668 Washtenaw as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 08-97-19 2018 AUDIT PRESENTATION

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to Receive and File the 2018 Audit/Financial Report as submitted by the City's Auditors, Plante and Moran and also receive and file their management report.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, and Costantino.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED

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CM 08-98-19

#### WATER RATE ANALYSIS

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the Commodity Charge of \$3.009 per hundred cubic feet (CCF) for water and \$3.504 per CCF for sewer totaling \$6.513 per CCF for all water/sewer billed on or after September 1, 2019.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, and Kindle.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 08-99-19

AWARD OF BID - CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by Pella Holdings LLC in the amount of \$30,232.00 for rehab work to be provided at 19893 Cedar Court as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, and Paiz.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 08-100-19

AWARD OF BID - CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by Optimum Contracting Solutions in the amount of \$14,875.00 for rehab work to be provided at 19637 Lochmoor as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.

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**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Paiz and Sawicki.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

#### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 08-101-19 AWARD OF ALTERNATE BID - CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by Optimum Contracting Solutions in the amount of \$35,275.00 for rehab work to be provided at 19960 Lancaster as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki.and Smith.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

#### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 08-102-19 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 4 - 2018 SAW GRANT STORM SEWER CCTV INVESTIGATIONS - #180-202

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Doetsch Industrial Services, Inc. in the amount of \$67,714.65 for Progress Payment No. 4 on the 2018 SAW Grant - Storm Sewer CCTV Investigation Project, #180-202.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Costantino, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

#### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

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# CM 08-103-19 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 3 - 2018 CONCRETE PAVEMENT REPAIR PROJECT, #180-204

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to L. Anthony Construction Inc., in the amount of \$45,790.71 for Progress Payment No. 3 on the 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair Project, #180-204.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, and Costantino.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 08-104-19 APPROVAL OF PURCHASE - TURNOUT GEAR; CONWAY SHIELD

## RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to authorize the purchase of five (5) sets of turnout gear for public safety officers in the amount of \$11,012.75 from Conway Shield.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, and Kindle.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

#### CM 08-105-19 DESIGNATION OF VOTING DELEGATE - MML CONFERENCE

#### RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED to designate Mayor Poynter as the City's official delegate, and Mayor Pro tem Kindle as the alternate delegate at the Michigan Municipal League's Annual Meeting to be held September 25-27, 2019.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, and Paiz.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

# CM 08-106-19 DESIGNATION OF ALTERNATIVE DELEGATE - SOUTH EAST MICHIGAN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (SEMCOG)

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to appoint Mayor Pro tem Kindle as the City of Harper Woods' alternate delegate to the South East Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG).

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Paiz and Sawicki.

NO: None. ABSENT: Jenny.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Suhr of Roscommon thanked the Public Safety Department for signage on I-94. He then questioned the meter replacements saying some homes are getting a digital reader added to their old meter rather than a brand new meter.

Mr. Cadotte stated some residents are burning garbage at night to avoid discovery and he would like this problem addressed. Then he mentioned his complaint regarding the high school band practice saying he has not received a reply from Mr. Johnson of HWHS. Next he said he strongly suspects that a number of rental properties are occupied by multiple families and being run more like motels.

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilperson Sawicki asked if we would be getting a new electronic sign. She then mentioned that she is surprised that with the housing market improving why many nice homes in harper woods are under valued in her opinion. Next, she read a letter from the Beautification Commission Chairperson requesting the Council's assistance regarding an issue affecting the role of the Commission. She agreed with the Chairperson and her concerns and said the Beautification Commission should be allowed to carry out their mandate for the community.

Councilperson Paiz agreed with Mr. Cadotte's comments about burning of garbage and noted that band practice used to be held in the back of the school prior to the re-build and was likely less a disturbance to the neighborhood.

Councilperson Costantino pointed out that the potential for homes to be utilized as air bnb probably can't be stopped and she herself would then charge a hotel fee to those that do this. She then mentioned that while she understands there is not a market for many items to be recycled, there is a market for card board and she would like to see a bin for collection in the City Hall parking lot. Next she shared that she has accepted a position as an art teacher and requested donations of scrap materials for her class.

Councilperson Kindle stated that there is a need for an educational program for residents to learn proper recycling.

Councilperson Paiz mentioned that she sent an email to a company know as Recycle Here who place trailers in various locations to collect recyclables, to request one for Harper Woods but was turned down.

Councilperson Smith thanked the young people who were in attendance at tonight's meeting. He said he recently met a lady who will be opening a new business on Kelly that will be a café and have potential as a meeting venue. He mentioned that his hero tonight is a person who continually picks up litter on Beaconsfield street just because he feels it is the right thing to do. He also stated that he is proud of his family in attendance tonight and his NUMEN group for their efforts in the community calling them the true heroes and leaders. Next, he stated that he is very serious about his role as a member of Council in Harper Woods and he asked how many African Americans are employed in each department in the City saying he is addressing this so that African Americans have an opportunity to be hired including the young people in attendance tonight.

Councilperson Paiz shared that she is Latino and that there are Latino employees in the Police Department. She also said that many employees stay with the City a long time and opening are not always available.

Mayor Poynter asked all to keep in mind that the City does have an application process and that interested persons need to fill out the application and seek out jobs saying the City is always seeking qualified applicants. He also pointed out that former Police Chief Burke received an award from the NAACP as a person who has broken down barriers in our community. Next he shared that he and the City Manager met with the Mayor and Manager in Grosse Pointe with guest Mayor Duggan who gave a report on the City of Detroit and how it is moving forward.

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Then he reported he had a conference call with the owner of Eastland and he offered to drive him around to show him the potential of Harper Woods if he came to the City as a means to encourage him to be a better investor in our community. He next thanked the Public Safety Department for their involvement in the National Night Out and for their participation in the food drive at the local Kroger to help needy families. Lastly he shared that he and the City Manager met with Mr. Valentine in regard to drafting a resolution in support of Poupard school.

CM 08-107-19

**ADJOURNMENT** 

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:53 p.m.

ABSENT: Jenny.	
MOTION CARRIED	
KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

## CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 4, 2019

## **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz,

and Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: Councilperson Will Smith.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 09-108-19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held August 12, 2019.

ABSENT: Smith.

MOTION CARRIED

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 09-109-19 CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED byJenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 117269

- through 117451 in the amount of \$823,489.96 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$5,566.00 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library, Fire Department, DPW, Pump Stations, residences, City lots and the Parks.
- 3. approve payment to Badger Meter, Inc. in the amount of \$19,968.82 for the purchase of 48 M-25 5/8" Orion meter tops and 48 M-25 5/8" Orion meters to replace stopped, missing or damaged meters and to upgrade meters in Districts 1 3.
- 4. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$48,951.80 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of July 2019.
- 5. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$19,415.92 for professional services during the month of July 2019 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Management Plan, #180-202; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; Comcast Service, Taco Bell #180-219; 2022 Federal Aid Call for Projects, 2018 Gas Main Project, #180-198; and the 2019 Emergency Sanitary Sewer CCTV, #180-215.
- 6. approve payment to Plante & Moran in the amount of \$12,125.00 for the professional services performed in conjunction with the 2017 audit.
- 7. approve payment to BS & A Software in the amount of \$10,920.00 for the various accounting and billing system software for the period August 2019 through August 2020.
- 8. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,257.25 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of August 2019.
- 9. approve payment to Simplified Business Solutions in the amount of \$8,325.95 for the IT support services provided during the transition from Visicom services and for the monthly recurring support for email, security and backups for the month of August 2019.
- 10. approve payment to Optimum Contracting Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$\$3,575.00 for the renovations and repair work at 18558 Woodside and \$15,125.00 for the renovations and repair work at 20516 Kenosha, for a total of \$18,700.00 as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
- 11. approve payment to Statewide Security Transport in the amount of \$9,812.23 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the month of July 2019.
- 12. approve payment to CDW Government in the amount of \$7,284.35 for the purchase of several polycom systems with the necessary supplies and a one year service agreement.
- 13. approve the request from the Harper Woods Secondary School to hold their annual homecoming parade on Friday, September 27, 2019 at 5:45 p.m.

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**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: None. ABSENT: Smith.

### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

# CM 09-110-19 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 5 - 2018 SAW GRANT STORM SEWER CCTV INVESTIGATIONS - #180-202

## RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Doetsch Industrial Services, Inc. in the amount of \$59,827.50 for Progress Payment No. 5 on the 2018 SAW Grant - Storm Sewer CCTV Investigation Project, #180-202.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None. ABSENT: Smith.

### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

CM 09-111-19 RESOLUTION - ADOPT A LOCAL PAVEMENT WARRANTY PROGRAM

### RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED Adopt the attached resolution to Adopt a Local Pavement Warranty Program as required by the Michigan Legislature (MCL247.663) and approved by the Michigan Department of Transportation.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None. ABSENT: Smith.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

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CM 09-112-19 RESOLUTION - IMPLEMENT A LOCAL PAVEMENT WARRANTY PROGRAM

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the attached resolution to Implement a Local Pavement Warranty program required by the Michigan Legislature (MCL 247.663) and consistent with the Guidelines for Local Agency Pavement Warranty program that was approved by the Michigan Department of Transportation.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None. ABSENT: Smith.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

### CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Toussant commented that he wanted to give a shout out to Councilperson Smith for his efforts in getting the basketball courts put up. Then he invited all to attend the annual Danbury picnic to be held on September 14<sup>th</sup> from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Next he mentioned the NAACP youth day to be held on Saturday at the WCCCD at 11:00 a.m.

A representative from Representative Tenisha Yancey's office gave an update of legislative issues and shared that Rep. Yancey hosts a Coffee and Conversation hour from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at National Coney Island on the first Monday of the month.

Ms. Lyons spoke about the H.W. Soup event on September 15 at 5:30 p.m. combined with the Fall Bazaar from noon to 6:00 p.m. at the former Eastland Burlington location.

Mr. Calus asked if the court revenue from Safebuilt is part of the 80% of the total bill and he said it appears as if we are not making a single penny since he has been looking at the invoices. He then asked when it is estimated we will get the traffic devices. He mentioned that after emails to DTE several neighbors are still waiting for sidewalk repair. Next he asked if the City is planning to have the Detroit Fire Department come in and take over saying when he asked previously he was told no.

### CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor commented that he was saddened to hear of Dr. Robinson's passing saying she was a distinguished person with many attributes and accomplishments. He then shared that he attended the annual Greek fest as stated that it was a great time. Next he mentioned that he attended the back to school picnic with Councilpersons Kindle and Smith.

Councilperson Paiz told the representative of Rep. Yancey's office that the Council should always be referred to as the Council rather than "you guys". Next she asked if there is a possibility of changing our building department services to another company since SafeBuilt's contract will soon expire.

Councilperson Sawicki asked the City Attorney about authority given to a volunteer group, the Beautiful Neighborhood group, to do work without the authority of the ordinance established Beautification Commission. Attorney DeWaele stated that this discussion should be a future agenda item in order for her to answer and for the full Council to have an opportunity to discuss this. She went on to mention that in the past the issue of liability on the City was a concern for volunteers. Attorney DeWaele stated that the Government Immunity Act covers liability with volunteers.

Councilperson Kindle asked if a better sound system could be had as the present one is lacking. She then shared a copy of Mr. Cotton's resignation letter and stated that there is now a vacancy on the Recreation Advisory Board. Next she announced the Lion's Club Pasta Dinner on October 12 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the Amvets Post 57.

Councilperson Costantino thanked all for the support and donations of art supplies for her new teaching position and also gave a list of items she would like to have for her students.

Councilperson Paiz mentioned a current board member is emailing a councilperson and making disparaging comments. She then gave her answer to Mr. Calus regarding his questions about SafeBuilt.

Councilperson Kindle said she heard a rumor that Detroit Fire Department would be merging with Harper Woods and asked if this was happening. (The City Manager said no, it is not.)

The Mayor mentioned he is incredulous that SafeBuilt has become such a buzz word lately and that he feels they do many good things for the community including code enforcement with issuing tickets so that many offenders are being brought into court. There are many houses that are being rehabbed and the property values have risen in the past several years. He then stated that the Council would be reviewing their contract soon and the

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CM 09-113-19

## ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

ABSENT: Smith.		
MOTION CARRIED		

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL SEPTEMBER 16, 2019

### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz,

Vivian Sawicki and Will Smith.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 09-114-19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held September 4, 2019 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held June 20, 2019 and the Special Library Board meeting held June 28, 2019.

### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 09-115-19 CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 117452 through 117555 in the amount of \$644,211.42 as submitted by the City Manager

- and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$5,784.00 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library and the Parks.
- 3. approve payment to Greater Detroit Heating and Cooling in the amount of \$15,914.95 for the removal and installation of our main air-conditioning compressor at City Hall.
- 4. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$39,641.80 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of August 2019.
- 5. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$26,014.00 for professional services during the month of August 2019 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; 2017 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-188; Taco Bell Remodel, #180-219; Housing Rehab Proj. #180-178; 2019 User Charge, #180-213; Extenet Fiber, #180-220; 2018 Gas Main Replacement, #180-198; DTE Gas Valve Proj. #180-217 and the Court Room Offices, #180-221.
- 6. approve payment in the amount of \$134,448.40 to Wayne County for the Milk River Drain interest payment on the SRF Project.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# CM 09-116-19 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 6 - 2018 SAW GRANT STORM SEWER CCTV INVESTIGATIONS - #180-202

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Doetsch Industrial Services, Inc. in the amount of \$42,742.68 for Progress Payment No. 6 on the 2018 SAW Grant, Storm Sewer CCTV Investigation Project, #180-202.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

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## CM 09-117-19 OXFORD ROAD STREET REPLACEMENT

### RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve a joint road replacement project with the City of Grosse Pointe Woods for the portion of Oxford Road that lies within the Harper Woods city limits in an amount not to exceed \$18,000.00 if funding is available.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

## CM 09-118-19 AMENDMENT TO THE FEE SCHEDULE

## RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to amend the City's fee schedule to include an administrative fee for vehicles deemed abandoned and sold at auction in the amount of \$400.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, and Kindle.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

### CM 09-119-19 EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT - DIRECTOR OF PROBATION

## RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the employment agreement between the City of Harper Woods and Carrie Petrocelli to serve as the Director of Probation in content and form and further, that the Mayor be authorized to sign the agreement.

## **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Sawicki, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, and Paiz.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

### CM 09-120-19 ADOPT BUDGET SCHEDULE

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MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

approve the 2020 Budget Meeting Schedule with workshops to be held at regular and special meetings on October 7, October 21 and October 28, if necessary and further to hold a public hearing on the 2020 Budget on November 4, 2019.

### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 09-121-19 ADD ITEM TO AGENDA - GROSSE POINTE SCHOOL POUPARD CLOSING RESOLUTION

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki: add the resolution regarding the closing of Poupard School to the agenda.

## MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## **CALL TO AUDIENCE**

Mr. Hakim of Littlestone said he received a letter about rats in his neighborhood citing that feeding birds can be a cause and the resident responsible has been issued violations and has had several court appearances. He stated he would like this to stop for good and that he has seen several hundred pounds of bird seed delivered to the resident and put out by her several times during the day. Next he mentioned the paving of Littlestone pointing out that it stopped before Craig street and there is a large pot hole he would like addressed.

Ms. Williams spoke regarding the Oxford street replacement wondering what the City of Grosse Pointe Woods is paying. She then said she noticed the police on Beaconsfield and the Slow Roll taking place and that she was glad to see the police keeping everyone safe. She mentioned that she lives on Woodside and has also seen rats in her neighborhood.

A resident of Oxford thanked the City for the approval tonight to repair the street in front of her house.

Mr. Cadotte asked who is responsible for abandoned vehicles on I-94 and was told that it is likely the State's responsibility. He then stated in both rental homes and privately owned homes he has seen too many people, too many cars and different cars and people with suitcases going in and out and he believes it is likely that the homes are used for airbnb.

Ms. Honto stated she has seen rats on Lennon and one in her driveway and she feels the group home may be the issue. She then said that her hearing was tested recently and was told it is better than most people her age, so the sound system in the chambers needs to

be improved.

Mr. Valentine thanked Councilperson Paiz for her efforts regarding the Poupard resolution.

### CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilperson Costantino said she had just come from the Slow Roll and that it was so much fun. She said she heard many positive comments from people. She then mentioned the Poupard resolution and that she heard of the possibility of putting child care at Trombley school saying that there is a great need for childcare and the revenue could save both schools.

Councilperson Paiz stated that in January a committee was created to evaluate the City Manager and that she will be letting the committee members know when the evaluation will take place.

Councilperson Kindle announced that there will be a Lions Club Pasta Dinner at the Amvets Post on October 12 from 4:00 to 8:00 p.m. and tickets are \$10.00.

Councilperson Sawicki reminded residents that the League of Woman Voters will hold a Candidate forum on September 23 at WCCC from 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Mayor Poynter commented about the Slow Roll sharing that there were over 1,500 in attendance. He stated that there was a great sense of community with the crossing of Borders and with the involvement of the Detroit Police Department. He next shared that last Saturday was the Little League Alumni picnic and that the H.W. Little League which started in 1955 ended last year and while the event was nice it was also sad. He said he saw many kids playing basketball though and it seems as if the City has moved from a baseball town to basketball, stating either way, it is good exercise for the young people. He went on to say that the Soup and the Bazaar which took place last night were great events and a 14 year old girl won for her proposal of dealing with anxiety though art and she was awarded \$500. He encouraged everyone to get out to these great community events and meet their neighbors face to face.

Ms. Honto followed up on Councilperson Paiz's comment about childcare in the GP schools by stating the group has raised over a million dollars so far.

Councilperson Kindle mentioned that the HW/GP NAACP's candidate forum will be at the Grosse Pointe War Memorial on September 26 at 6:00 p.m.

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CM 09-122-19 POUPARD SCHOOL RESOLUTION

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki: To table the Poupard Resolution per the City Attorney for further revision.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 09-123-19 EXECUTIVE SESSION - COLLECTIVE BARGAINING MATTER

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing a Collective Bargaining Matter.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 7:56 p.m. and reconvened at 9:48 p.m.

CM 09-124-19 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 9:48 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL OCTOBER 7, 2019

### MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

<u>PRESENT</u>: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz,

Vivian Sawicki and Will Smith.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 10-125-19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held September 16, 2019 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held September 25, 2019.

### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 10-126-19 CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Constantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

 approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 117556 through 117686 in the amount of \$308,911.41 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the

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listing.

- 2. approve payment to BB&T Governmental Finance in the amount of \$23,659.99 for the interest payment on the Capital Improvement Bond.
- 3. approve payment in the amount of \$15,500.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several watermain breaks at various residential locations.
- 4. approve payment to Badger Meter, Inc. in the amount of \$71,008.21 for the purchase of several new Orion automatic read water meters, tops and for a new handheld meter reading device and charging device.
- 5. approve the repair of the coolant leak and the turbocharger actuator in Engine 1 in the amount of \$5,504.67 to be performed by Cummins.
- 6. approve payment to Plante & Moran in the amount of \$12,270.00 for professional services related to the City's preparation of the Act 312 negotiations with the Command Officers Association of Michigan (COAM).

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

### CM 10-127-19 PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT - PLANTE & MORAN

### RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the Professional Services Agreement submitted by Plante & Moran for consutling services in conjuction with the City's Act 312 Arbitration proceedings with the Command Officers Association of Michigan (COAM) and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Sawicki, Smith, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 10-128-19 RENEWAL OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT - SAFEBUILT MICHIGAN, LLC

### MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Smith:

To Table the twelve (12) month renewal of the Professional Services Agreement between the City of Harper Woods and SAFEBuilt Michigan, LLC until the next meeting to allow for additional information to be provided by SAFEBuilt and for further review.

NO: Paiz

## MOTION CARRIED

### CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Jeff Cherry spoke saying that he has been a contractor in the City for many years and can remember a time when permits were not required resulting often in sub par work. He stated the permit process through Safebuilt is much better and protects the community without having to pay for their employees pensions and healthcare.

A resident expressed his disappointment with the recycling contract not being renewed and mentioned that the recycling infomation in the Insider magazine is wrong and only for Detroit residents.

Mr. Sosnowski of Damman mentioned that every few years he has heard that the Detroit Fire Department will take over Harper Woods Fire Department and he inquired if there was any truth to this.

### CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilperson Kindle gave a reminder that the Lion's Club pasta dinner is Saturday at the Amvets Post #57. She then encouraged all to support and join the Lion's Club who raise funds for those in our community and Grosse Pointe Woods who need assistance.

Councilperson Paiz said she had recently attended an estate sale and the owner was unhappy that only one sign per the Ordinance is allowed on the premises. Since an estate sale is a business she felt that a higher fee could be imposed for estate sale companies and more signage could be allowed.

Councilperson Sawicki stated she attended the HWHS homecoming parade along with Councilpersons Costantino, Kindle and Judge Palmer and in spite of the weather it was well attended. She mentioned the Detroit Fire Department rumor saying that it is rumor and stated if she found that this was in the works without her knowledge that she would be very disappointed.

Mayor Poynter said we now have the largest Fire Department in our history because of the additional cross trained officers.

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Councilperson Costantino thanked the residents for their generosity with all of the recycled donations she has received for her class. She also shared that she too is sad about the cancellation of the recycling program but agreed that it was too costly and not handled properly.

The Mayor mentioned the recent League of Woman Voters and the NAACP candidate forums which also included the Grosse Pointes. He said he sadly missed the Homecoming Parade and instead spent this time with the Eastside Community Network and had great experience with this group. He stated that Mark Wollenweber retired and there was a nice write up about him and his lengthy career. He mentioned a Pistons event he attended with Mayor Duggan and others. He next spoke about the k-9 fundraiser at Ferlito's restaurant where he had dinner earlier today with a resident where they talked about the Harper Avenue Business Association. He pointed out that good things are happening on Harper and that the fundraiser will continue until 9:00 p.m tonight for those who are interested. He then stated that though he hates to be negative, he continues to dislike the internet due to incorrect information being posted on several media sites, which is being shared and some of which is complete nonsense which leads to residents arguing on social media. He urged residents to contact City Hall if they want the correct information. He noted that too much is being taken out of context and it continues to be a problem and though it is an election year that is not a reason to have this ridiculousness.

Councilperson Jenny shared that there will be a meet and greet the candidates at WCCCD on October 14 from 7 to 8:30 p.m.

CM 10-129-19 2019 BUDGET WORKSHOP SESSION

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle: To adjourn to the Budget workshop session.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

City Council recessed at 8:07 p.m. and reconvened in the conference room at 8:19 p.m.

## 2019 BUDGET WORKSHOP SESSION

The City Manager gave an overview of focuses, initiative and projects moving forward to 2020.

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**ADJOURNMENT** 

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Kindle: That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 10:00 p.m.

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYO	 R	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL OCTOBER 21, 2019

### MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl A. Costantino, Veronica Paiz and Will Smith.

ABSENT: Councilpersons Tom Jenny and Vivian Sawicki.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

### **PRESENTATION**

Representatives from Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes and Energy (EGLE) and representatives from the Department of Health and Human Services were in attendance providing information on the Michigan Safe Drinking Water Act and gave an overview and a slide presentation was shared.

CM 10-131-19 EXCUSE COUNCILPERSONS

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To excuse Councilpersons Tom Jenny and Vivian Sawicki from tonight's meeting because of prior commitments.

ABSENT: Jenny & Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 10-132-19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held October

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7, 2019 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held August 15, 2019 and the Election Commission meeting held October 8, 2019.

ABSENT: Jenny & Sawicki.

### MOTION CARRIED

# CM 10-133-19 CM 10-128-19 RENEWAL OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT - SAFEBUILT MICHIGAN LLC

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

Remove item CM 10-128-19 Renewal of Professional Services Agreement - SAFEBuilt Michigan LLC from Tabled and Pending Items and place under Old Business 1.

ABSENT: Jenny & Sawicki.

### MOTION CARRIED

## PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Calus stated that he was one of the persons taking samples and he felt that it was a positive thing for our community. He shared that he cleans his aerators often. Next he shared water sampling statistics from his home.

Mr. Siersma stated he owns 40 homes in Harper Woods and several in cities nearby and that he felt it would be disastrous if SafeBuilt's contract is not renewed. He said he does not want bad landlords in the community as SafeBuilt holds residents and landlords responsible for keeping homes up to code and he fully supports them.

Mr. Vargo stated that he has heard that the fee schedule may be raised and that Harper Woods is the second highest in fees in the area. He then said he also supports SafeBuilt as with a quick phone call he can get a prompt answer on a building project or order an inspection.

CM 10-134-19

### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

1. To approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 117687 through 117785 in the amount of \$675,644.18 as submitted by the City

- Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$23,606.23 for professional services during the month of September 2019 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; Christian Financial CU Parking Lot, #180-216; Extenet Fiber, #180-220; 2018 Gas Main Replacement, #180-198; DTE Map Request, #180-222 and the Kelly Road Pedestrian Crossing, #180-208.
- 3. approve payment to Simplified Business Solutions in the amount of 7,484.95 for the email hosting, security and backups of our computer system for the month of October, IT support services and the purchase of battery backup devices, a desktop computer and a printer.
- 4. approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$220,790.00 for the operation and maintenance of the Milk River Drain for the third quarter 2019 and \$88,961.00 for the City's proportionate share of the supplemental construction funding for a total of \$309,751.00.
- 5. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$8,708.00 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library and the Parks.
- 6. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$43,729.60 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of September 2019.
- 7. approve payment to Oakland County Information Technology in the amount of \$6,799.25 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the Police Department.
- 8. approve payment to Suburban Library Cooperative in the amount of \$5,419.20 for the automated system services, laser scanner and printers, staff user fees and the subscription to Creativebug Enterprises.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Kindle, Smith and Poynter.

NO: Paiz.

ABSENT: Jenny & Sawicki.

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

### PRESENTATION

Jim LaPalm, the City's building official, gave a presentation showing commercial and residential properties that he has been instrumental in getting compliance and improvements.

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# CM 10-135-19 CM 10-128-19 RENEWAL OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT - SAFEBUILT MICHIGAN LLC

## RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the twelve (12) month renewal of the Professional Services Agreement between the City of Harper Woods and SAFEBuilt Michigan, LLC and further that the City Manager be authorized to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Smith, Poynter, and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Jenny & Sawicki.

### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

# CM 10-136-19 RENEWAL OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT - WCA ASSESSING

## RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the extended contract between the City of Harper Woods and WCA Assessing for the period July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022, and further to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Paiz, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, and Kindle.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Jenny & Sawicki.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 10-137-19 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 7 - 2018 SAW GRANT; STORM SEWER CCTV INVESTIGATION, #180-202

#### RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Doetsch Industrial Services, Inc. in the amount of \$49,899.98 for Progress Payment No. 7 on the 2018 SAW Grant - Storm Sewer CCTV Investigation Project, #180-202.

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**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, and Paiz.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Jenny & Sawicki.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 10-138-19

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING - AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 14, ARTICLE III, SECTION 1456 CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and place for first reading an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 14, Article III, Section 14-56, Consumption of Alcohol of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Paiz, and Smith.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Jenny & Sawicki.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

### CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Campo stated he had an issue with SafeBuilt saying he recently purchased a home from a contractor who flipped the property and it appears that SafeBuilt didn't do any inspections and he discovered a bad foundation. He questioned what is so good about SafeBuilt.

Mr. Cotton asked if the Ordinance meeting was cancelled. He next mentioned that a few months ago he brought up the issue of a dangerous tree at a home and would still like to see it removed.

Mr. Calus commented on SafeBuilt and stated that his concern is that the billing process with the City is still not clear. Next he commended the Mayor for his statements regarding the internet. Then he said DTE remains an issue on his property.

Mr. Cadotte stated the only way to solve the elevated lead issue is to replace all the lead

service pipes in all homes saying the State Legislature should be lobbied to increase funds for these state mandated improvements in communities.

Ms. Paglia stated that she would like someone to address some of the things she has seen on a Facebook page including the hiring of more police officers, which doesn't seem possible without money, whether Council member have time to read their packets and "balance the check book", and that Harper Woods is having trouble with mutual aid and if this is true. She further said that these issues being put on Facebook are clearly incorrect and this needs to stop.

Ms. Williams said the presentation about water services was informative and now residents are aware of lead service lines and that they can flush their pipes and use water filters. She asked what the City will do to assist in reducing the lead issue.

Ms. Bolt, a representative of EGLE, said she would be available after the meeting if there were further questions.

## CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilperson Paiz mentioned the K-9 spaghetti dinner at Amvets to be held on November 7. She then asked what is the Mutual Aid agreement as of now and stated that it was her understanding that we have an agreement with many of the surrounding communities and we are not currently having any issues with Mutual Aid.

Mayor Poynter stated this is the last time he intends to speak about the internet issue as this is simply another example of misinformation that gets on Facebook which encourages fearmongering and many incorrect facts are reported multiple times and those become more incorrect each time they are spread.

Councilperson Kindle thanked everyone for their support of the Lions Club Spaghetti Dinner including Mr. Toussant for his bartending skill. She then said that the Lion's Club is a mainstay organization and works on behalf of all those who are sight impaired or have other challenges. She then stated that if you need information call the City rather than rely on Facebook. She said further that not one resident was present at the last budget meeting and incorrect information could likely be put out to the public.

Councilperson Costantino said the Ordinance meeting is scheduled for November 18 and was not cancelled but re-scheduled. She mentioned she had a fire at one of her rental properties and the Detroit Fire Department came and she feels our mutual aid is great. She said next that she feels the water issue is blown out of proportion and people are not testing the water properly. She stated that bottled water has worse standards than our

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water service on its worst day is better than bottled water. She then suggested to not waste money on copper pipes as they have their own issues.

Mayor Poynter mentioned his attendance at the ribbon cutting for Sir Speedy at their new Harper Woods location where he spoke with them about a Harper Avenue Business Association and he was at a meeting about the Grosse Pointe school millages where Senator Stabenow was in attendance. He said he was a participant in the Pedal to Porch event where cyclists pedaled to different locations to hear about legends in the area. Next, he gave final comments about the misinformation on Facebook including the Grosse Pointe News coverage, hiring of police officers, and those who think they know about the budget yet have no presence at the meetings. He summed up by saying some participants on Facebook attempt to micro manage the City with no real information.

Councilperson Paiz shared with residents the National Prescription Drug Take Back event to be held at the Public Safety Department on October 26, 10:00 a.m. to noon.

CM 10-139-19

2019 BUDGET WORKSHOP SESSION

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Smith: To adjourn to the Budget workshop session.

ABSENT: Jenny & Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

City Council recessed at 8:57 p.m. and reconvened at 9:06 p.m.

### 2019 BUDGET WORKSHOP SESSION

The City Manager along with the Finance Director gave an update of the focuses, initiatives and projects that was discussed at the last budget meeting and provided updated work book pages.

CM 10-140-19

**ADJOURNMENT** 

MOTION by Smith, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 10:04 p.m.

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ABSENT: Jenny & Sawicki.	
MOTION CARRIED	

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL NOVEMBER 4, 2019

### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Valerie Kindle,

Councilperson(s) Cheryl Costantino, Tom Jenny, Veronica Paiz and

Will Smith.

ABSENT: Councilperson Sawicki.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 11-141-19 EXCUSE COUNCILPERSON SAWICKI

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

To excuse Councilperson Sawicki from tonight's meeting because of prior commitments.

ABSENT: Sawicki

MOTION CARRIED

CM 11-142-19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on October 21, 2019 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held on September 26, 2019 and the Planning Commission meeting held on October 23, 2019.

ABSENT: Sawicki

MOTION CARRIED

### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Flanagan commented on the confirmation of the Public Safety Director stating that the personnel rules and the civil service rules were not followed during this process and cited several sections of the rules and procedures. He asked that this be tabled tonight until those procedures are demonstrated properly.

Mr. Willis, a representative of the police officers' union, spoke in support of the Lt. Smith's appointment to Public Safety Director.

Ms. Stowell stated that she supports Lt. Smith and stated that he should be appointed tonight.

Captain Butler spoke in support of Lt. Smith.

Lt. Carrico spoke in support of Lt. Smith.

Mr. Walker, former Harper Woods police officer, spoke in support of Lt. Smith.

CM 11-143-19

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 117786 through 117910 in the amount of \$480,269.74 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Plante & Moran in the amount of \$9.340.00 for the professional services provided by the managing partner during the P.A. 312 arbitration hearing.
- approve payment to Pella Holdings, LLC in the amount of \$33,645.09 for the renovations and repair work at 19893 Cedar Court as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
- 4. approve payment to Greater Detroit Heating and Cooling, Inc. in the amount of \$11,967.78 for the emergency repair to the boiler at City Hall.
- 5. approve payment in the amount of \$14,000.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several watermain breaks and necessary stop box repairs at various residential locations.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Smith and Poynter.

NO: None.

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ABSENT: Sawicki

# **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

### CM 11-144-19 OPEN PUBLIC HEARING - 2020 BUDGET

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Paiz: To open the public hearing on the 2020 Budget.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

### MOTION CARRIED

### PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Flanagan asked about the P.A. 359 tax that was imposed by the City Manager for advertising and promoting the city.

## CM 11-145-19 CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING - 2020 BUDGET

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Kindle: To close the public hearing on the 2020 Budget.

ABSENT: Sawicki.

#### MOTION CARRIED

# CM 11-146-19 ADOPTION OF TAX LEVY RESOLUTION - 2020 BUDGET

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED adopt the Tax Levy Resolution set forth on page 1 of the budget document hereby establishing the following tax rate for 2020.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Jenny, Kindle, Paiz, Smith, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki

### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

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# CM 11-147-19 ADOPTION OF BUDGET AND APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION - 2020 BUDGET

### RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the Budget Adoption and Appropriation Resolution found on Page 2 of the budget document, thereby adopting the 2020 Budget as presented.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Paiz, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, and Jenny.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 11-148-19 <u>2019 STORM WATER UTILITY RATE RESOLUTION</u>

## RESOLUTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED that a rate of \$210.00 per residential equivalent unit will continue and is hereby established for the storm water utility charge to be billed December 1, 2019.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny and Kindle.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

### CM 11-149-19 CONFIRM APPOINTMENT - PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR

### RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Smith:

BE IT RESOLVED to confirm the appointment of Lt. Vincent Smith as Public Safety Director for the City of Harper Woods, conditional on the City Council's approval of an employment contract between the City of Harper Woods and Vincent Smith, and separately, confirmation of the completion of proper procedures followed at the November 18, 2019 meeting.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Smith, Poynter, Costantino and Jenny

NO: Kindle and Paiz. ABSENT: Sawicki

## **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

# CM 11-150-19 TRANSFER TO 2018 WINTER TAX ROLL - DELINQUENT WATER, SEWAGE, GRASS CUTTING AND COMMERCIAL REFUSE BILLS

### RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED Approve the transfer of \$260,573.19 for delinquent Water and Sewer bills, \$30,106.25 for Miscellaneous City Services, \$9,097.28 for Special Pickups and \$2,800.00 for Meter Replacements (total of \$302,576.72) to the 2019 Winter Tax Roll as proposed and submitted by the Finance Director/Treasurer.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Smith, Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle and Paiz.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki

### **RESOLUTION ADOPTED**

# CM 11-151-19 SPECIAL LAND USE APPROVAL - 19770 HARPER AVENUE; CHRISTIAN FINANCIAL CREDIT UNION.

### RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the amended special land use application submitted by William Hass, Project Manager representing Christian Financial Credit Union at 19770 Harper Avenue, based on the criteria in zoning ordinance Sec. 10-770F and as recommended by the members of the Planning Commission.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Poynter, Costantino, Jenny, Kindle, Paiz and Smith.

NO: None. ABSENT: Sawicki

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

## CM 11-152-19 2020 CHANGES IN MEETING DATES

## MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Jenny:

To approve the changes to the City Council meeting dates as listed for 2020; January 20 to January 22, 2020 for the observance of Martin Luther King, Jr; February 17 to February

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19, 2020 for the observance of President's Day and September 7 to September 9, 2020 in observance of Labor Day, and that the City will meet on the second Monday of June, July and August 2020 and further that the first meeting in November be cancelled due to the 2020 Presidential Election.

NO: Paiz

**ABSENT: Sawicki** 

### MOTION CARRIED

## **CALL TO AUDIENCE**

Mr. Krass mentioned that the streets in the area of Leslie and Bournemouth are a mess and that it will be difficult for the snow plows to get through this area and asked that something be done. He then commented about seeing an orange work truck that sat for 45 minutes on his street and didn't move. Next he asked about his water bill and why, if he has no usage, is he being billed, as it should reflect a \$0 bill. Lastly he asked if the city pays for the signs that the candidates running for council put out.

Ms. Courtney reported several programs that the DAAA is sponsoring, including help for seniors during the Medicare open enrollment through December 7 and a Listening Session for strategic planning through 2025 scheduled for November 15 from 1-4 pm at the Harper Woods Library.

## CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilwoman Costantino announced that the Ordinance Committee will be meeting November 18 at 6:00 p.m.

Councilwoman Kindle mentioned an AARP rally that will be held downtown in an effort to be heard about lowering prescription drugs. A bus will be located at WCCCD on November 18 and will take interested residents to the event. She announced the Tree Lighting Ceremony is scheduled for November 13 and asked that everyone come out to support the school district, their band and the Boy and Girl Scout troops and that the Lion's Club is providing the refreshments. She then asked for a moment of silence for Congressman John Conyers who was laid to rest today.

Councilwoman Paiz announced the K-9 spaghetti dinner fundraiser scheduled for November 7 at the Amvets from 4-7 pm. She then commented about the length of time it took for a director to be named for the Public Safety department. Also, she was

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disappointed that the interview panel didn't have a woman represented and that an appointed member of council was on this panel who she felt may have had issues with the deputy chief and that influenced his decision.

Councilman Smith commented that he has not and does not have any issue with the deputy chiefs and has not done anything thus far without considering all of the community and he feels he made a good choice and is pleased to see the officers here tonight supporting that decision.

Councilwoman Costantino stated that she is pleased that the committee took their time selecting the new director and is pleased with their choice. She continued by saying that she feels that Chief Smith will do an excellent job and will help to unite the police and fire departments. Lastly she stated that she would miss Councilman Smith as he has been an asset to the community and to Council.

Councilman Jenny thanked Councilman Smith for his time on Council and for stepping up when there was a vacancy.

Councilwoman Kindle stated that she is the one who hounded Councilman Smith to step up when the vacancy occurred on Council and although they didn't always agree, she appreciated his views on different matters.

Councilwoman Paiz commented that she too would miss Councilman Smith and wished that he had chosen to run again. She said that he has done a good job and appreciated his wisdom and his perspective on many issues.

Mayor Poynter mentioned a ribbon cutting he attended at a business on Harper with two women who have opened a new business "Inspire the World" an essential life service consulting group. He then commented on the great turnout at the annual Artisan Market at the Library. Lastly he stated that he was a member of the interview panel for the director position and he shared that both candidates did an excellent job and the one chosen will be a great asset to the department and the community.

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### **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

**ABSENT: Sawicki** 

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KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL NOVEMBER 18, 2019

### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

## **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Cheryl A. Costantino,

Councilperson(s) Valerie Kindle, Ernestine Lyons, Veronica Paiz,

Vivian Sawicki and Regina Williams.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

## **PRESENTATION**

The Mayor and members of the Beautification Commission presented the annual Beautification Awards to Gardell & Carolyn Sanford, Ursula Dumas, the Dietz Residence, Raoul & Clementine Vanhecke, Lynda C. Bonucchi, Craig & Lisa Kent, Theresa Lilly, the Fouchia Family and the business winner, American Community Developers, Inc. The award winners were presented with a commemorative plague.

CM 11-157-19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held November 4, 2019 and the special City Council meeting held November 12, 2019.

## MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Loftis of COAM stated the City failed to follow the civil service rules for the promotion of public safety director. He said parties are bound by contract language and a

grievance was filed. He said this is exposing th City to additional labor costs for litigation with the cost to the taxpayers for Act 312 being at about \$100,000 so far and this item was never brought up during negotiations or in Act 312 negotiations. He stated further that the City Manager failed to use the civil service procedure and it could be construed as bias for favoritism and no testing was performed just a polling of public safety officers and this is not how a Chief should be selected.

Mr. Flanagan objected to the process used by the City Manager. He commented about the resolution regarding the appointment of the chief at the last meeting and said Roberts Rules were adopted by the Council but noted that when the resolution failed it was then moved to amend the resolution which does not comply with Roberts Rules. He said the resolution should be considered null and void and the City Manager also should not speak unless asked a question by a board member.

Mr. Szymanski stated he had not planned to speak but he wanted to address the fake news of the COAM representative saying further the Police Chief has never been in the union and the City Manager's choice for the chief appointment will not be controlled by the union.

CM 11-158-19

### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 117911 through 118033 in the amount of \$399,100.60 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$16,586.51 for contractual lawn cutting and weed maintenance in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library and the Parks and also for lawn cuttings at various residential homes and lawn restorations.
- 3. approve payment to Badger Meter, Inc. in the amount of \$51,310.67 for the purchase of new Orion automatic read water meters in various sizes to replace stopped, missing or damaged meters as well as the upgrade of meters.
- 4. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$41,920.60 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of October 2019.
- 5. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$24,831.30 for professional services during the month of October 2019 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; Christian Financial Credit Union, #180-216; Taco Bell Remodel, #180-219; 20025 Eastwood Plan, #180-223; Housing Rehab Project,

- #180-178 and the Kelly Road Pedestrian Crossing, #180-208.
- 6. approve payment to Michigan Supreme Court Finance in the amount of \$5,049.50 for software support on the district court's computer system and SOS/Lein fees.
- 7. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,257.25 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of November 2019.
- 8. approve payment to Uni-Dig, Inc. in the amount of \$5,280.00 for leaf disposal in conjunction with the curbside leaf pickup program.
- 9. approve payment to MI Dept. of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy Resource Management (EGLE) in the amount of \$5,859.31 for the city's annual water supply fee.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams and Poynter.

NO: None.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# CM 11-159-19 RECEIVE AND FILE CITY ATTORNEY OPINION - APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

to receive and file the City Attorney's opinion regarding the appointment of the Director of Public Safety.

### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

# CM 11-160-19 APPROVAL OF EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT - DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY

## RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED to confirm the appointment of Vincent Smith as Public Safety Director for the City of Harper Woods and further, to approve the employment agreement between the City of Harper Woods and Director Smith and further to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement.

### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

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# CM 11-161-19 ADD ITEM TO AGENDA - WAIVER OF CIVIL SERVICE RULES FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

To add an item to the agenda to waive civil service rules for appointment of a Public Safety Director.

# MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 11-162-19 WAIVER OF CIVIL SERVICE RULES FOR THE APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR

RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED that the City and COAM agree to a waiver of the Civil Service rules for the appointment of the Director of Public Safety for one time only to be completed by the next City Council meeting.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter, Costantino, and Kindle.

NO: None.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 11-163-19 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 4 - 2018 CONCRETE PAVEMENT REPAIR PROGRAM, #180-204

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to L. Anthony Construction Inc., in the amount of \$37,966.10 for Progress Payment No. 4 on the 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair Project, #180-204.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle and Lyons.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 11-164-19 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 8 - 2018 SAW GRANT STORM SEWER CCTV INVESTIGATION, #180-202

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## RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Doetsch Industrial Services, Inc. in the amount of \$38,673.61 for Progress Payment No. 8 on the 2018 SAW Grant - Storm Sewer CCTV Investigation Project, #180-202.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Sawicki, Williams, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Lyons and Paiz.

NO: None.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

## CM 11-165-19 LEASE OF NEW PATROL VEHICLES

## RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED Approve the lease of five (5) 2020 Ford Interceptor Utility AWD vehicles in the amount of \$173,990.00, and \$122,431.37 for the changeover of equipment and installation, for a total of \$296,421.37 in three annual payments of \$105,232.25, through the Macomb County Extended Purchasing Agreement, and further, in that these vehicles were competitively bid by Macomb County that the City's formal competitive bidding process be waived.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Williams, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Paiz and Sawicki.

NO: None.

### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

### CM 11-166-19 LEASE OF NEW PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLES

#### RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED Approve the lease of three (3) 2020 Ford F-350 Regular Cab 4x4 one-ton dump trucks in the amount of \$89,658.00, and \$62,901 for the purhcase and installation of the necessary equipment, for a total of \$153,104.00 in three annual payments of \$54,353.30, through the Macomb County Extended Purchasing Agreement, and further, in that these vehicles were competitively bid by Macomb County that the City's formal competitive bidding process be waived.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki.and Williams.

NO: None.

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#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 11-167-19

SECOND READING AND ADOPTION - ORDINANCE NO. 2019-02 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 14. ARTICLE II, SECTION 14-56; CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOL

#### RESOLUTION BY Paiz, SUPPORTED BY Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2019-02 entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 14, Article III, Section 14-56, Consumption of Alcohol of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, and Poynter.

NO: Williams.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

# CALL TO AUDIENCE

No comments were made

#### CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor asked Council to organize their thoughts and speak only onceduring call to council, the same as the residents are required to.

Councilperson Sawicki mentioned that members are needed to fill vacancies on the various boards and commissions. She then read a prepared statement regarding the City Charter and the need for updating. She said revising the entire charter would be expensive and amendments could be done for less cost. She then proposed that the Council move to elect a subcommittee to be formed to address the charter revision which would include the City Clerk.

CM 11-168-19 ADD ITEM TO AGENDA - FORM A SUB-COMMITTEE FOR CHARTER REVISIONS

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To add an item to the agenda to immediately form a subcommittee to address the items in the Charter.

#### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CM 11-169-19 FORM A SUBCOMMITTEE FOR CHARTER REVISIONS

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Kindle: BE IT RESOLVED to form a subcommittee to address items in the City Charter.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

# RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

Councilperson Williams stated that the pubic should be allowed to be part of the subcommittee.

Councilperson Lyons asked who would be chosen for the subcommittee and If the Mayor makes that decision.

Mayor Pro tem Costantino said when she originally ran for Council she felt she was getting into a "good ole boys" club and that she and Councilperson Sawicki were brushed aside. She stated now the women have taken over and that she has been trying to get certain things done for many years and also she is glad Charter amendment is moving forward.

Councilperson Williams thanked the public for their support and electing her. She mentioned she attended the tree lighting and that it was very nice and well attended and she hopes to see more community events like this. She then said that she is glad the Charter is being addressed as we have had many issues lately. Lastly, she stated there is a vacancy on the school board now since she has accepted her Council position.

Councilperson Paiz welcomed the new members of Council. She said the last few weeks have been difficult for many with the Charter being vague and outdated. Next she asked that all members of Council, administration and the public remain mindful of how they address others without being disparaging. She said that all should have a copy of Roberts Rules and she would also like a copy of the grievance and waiver to review.

Councilperson Kindle spoke about the Stop Greed Program and the AARP rally to lower Prescription costs which has gotten out of control. She asked that people contact their congress person to address this important issue saying the same drugs can be purchased in Canada for far less. She then announced a veterans resource fair to be held at the Bellagio in Dearborn on November 21<sup>st</sup> from 10:00 to 2:00 p.m.

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Mayor Poynter mentioned the recent K-9 fundraiser saying it was a great event. He then welcomed the new Councilpersons. He said the tree lighting was smaller than usual and could have been due to poor weather conditions. He next reminded the public he is available on Wednesdays to meet with residents. He mentioned that the veteran's breakfast at the War Memorial was a wonderful event and lastly that he will be in attendance at the Grosse Pointe Santa Clause parade the Friday after Thanksgiving.

Councilperson Lyons said she was happy to be here and that she has been dreaming of being able to give back to the community since she was 13.

CM 11-170-19

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL DECEMBER 2, 2019

#### MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

# **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Cheryl A. Costantino,

Councilperson(s) Valerie Kindle, Ernestine Lyons, Veronica Paiz,

Vivian Sawicki and Regina Williams.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 12-171-19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held November 18, 2019 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held October 17, 2019.

#### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Deputy Chief Stager welcomed new members and passed out information relative to the C.O.A.M. waiver pertaining to the Civil Service matter.

CM 12-172-19 CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 118034 through 118164 in the amount of \$506,695.49 as submitted by the City Manager

- and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,377.25 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of December 2019.
- 3. approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$7,735.00 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the months of June and July 2019.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams and Poynter.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CM 12-173-19 AWARD OF BID - CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

#### RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by Master Maintenance in the amount of \$23,064.00 for rehab work to be provided at 21101 Kenmore as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CM12-174-19 AWARD OF BID - CDBG HOUSING REHABILITATION PROGRAM

#### RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest responsible bid submitted by Weatherseal Home Improvements in the amount of \$8,595.00 for rehab work to be provided at 19380 Washtenaw as part of the CDBG Rehabilitation Program.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter, Costantino, and Kindle.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

## CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Cadotte stated that he finds the HWHS band practice obnoxious and it continues with no regard to the neighborhood during early morning practice and through the dinner hour. He then spoke about an article he read in the Free Press concerning perks for government employees saying a 14<sup>th</sup> holiday was added for Oakland County employees. He said the national average for the private sector was 8 holidays and Harper Woods has 13 which he feels is excessive for a financially stressed city.

Mr. Hakim wished all a happy Thanksgiving and merry Christmas. He then asked how many people are on the Ordinance Committee and when do they meet.

Mr. Toussant welcomed the newcomers and questioned when road repairs will be made as this decreases the value of homes in the City.

# **CALL TO COUNCIL**

Mayor Pro tem Costantino stated that the next Ordinance Committee meeting will be held on February 3 at 6:00 p.m. and then asked about the process for the First Right of Refusal homes that are foreclosed.

Councilperson Paiz shared that she plans to be more cognizant of what residents want which she believes is change. She mentioned common issues with residents are the elimination of the recycling program and allowing more than one sign for garage sales.

Councilperson Kindle stated that she believed that the garage sale ordinance was changed to allow additional signs but was never put before Council for approval.

Councilperson Sawicki said that signs could not be placed on right of ways or City property and that clarification is needed at the next Ordinance Committee meeting.

Councilperson Williams asked who sidewalks belong to and who is responsible for the repair if trees are causing sidewalks to raise.

The Mayor spoke about the pre Thanksgiving event at the College and Career Institute saying it was outstanding and completely done by the students. A second event included a free breakfast and approximately 300 turkeys were given away. He then mentioned his attendance at the Grosse Pointe Santa Parade this year and that there were about 4,000 people watching. He then stated that we have always had a great Council to work with and he is looking forward to working with the new and current members who bring a wide range of talents, perspective and diversity.

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Councilperson Kindle commented that the Santa Parade was fantastic and she participated with the NAACP. She also mentioned that the College and Career Institute buffet was a fantastic event and the students were warm and welcoming saying that they worked very hard for this event and the food was good. Next she thanked everyone for their participation in the Good Fellows paper sale this season. She then stated her appreciation for the Mayor's wife for her participation in so many community and City events.

Councilperson Lyons mentioned that the Saturday following Black Friday is a movement to support small businesses and she encouraged everyone to shop locally and support this movement especially in Harper Woods.

#### CM 12-175-19 EXECUTIVE SESSION - COLLECTIVE BARGAINING MATTER

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing a Collective Bargaining matter.

#### MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 7:33 p.m. and reconvened at 8:48 p.m.

CM 12-176-19 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Williams:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

# CITY OF HARPER WOODS CITY COUNCIL DECEMBER 16, 2019

#### **MEETING MINUTES**

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 7:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

#### **ROLL CALL**

PRESENT: Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter, Mayor Pro tem Cheryl A. Costantino,

Councilperson(s) Valerie Kindle, Ernestine Lyons, Veronica Paiz,

Vivian Sawicki and Regina Williams.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney

Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

#### PRESENTATION

The Mayor along with Director Smith belatedly recognized Officer Sandra Hernden as Officer of the Year for 2017 due to a department oversight.

#### PRESENTATION

State Senator Adam Hollier was present to give an update of various legislative issues including the importance of the 2020 census and that everyone needs to be counted. Also that it will likely cause congressional district changes in our state. He also stated that after July 1, 2020, due to new legislation, that we would see changes in car insurance premiums. Lastly he mentioned that funding for road repairs is not part of the current state budget and that the gas tax increase will not be implemented.

CM 12-177-19 MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held December 2, 2019 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Ordinance

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Committee meeting held December 2, 2019 and the Board of Review meeting held December 10, 2019.

## MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 12-178-19

#### CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- 1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 118165 through 118245 in the amount of \$263,981.76 as submitted by the City Manager and Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.
- 2. approve payment to Statewide Security Transport in the amount of \$5,001.00 for prisoner lodging and maintenance for the month of October 2019.
- 3. approve payments to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$5,574.25 for assistance with leaf pickup and fall maintenance in various areas of the City.
- 4. approve payment to Alter Collision in the amount of \$5,201.33 for the repair of a 2010 Ford Explorer undercover police vehicle, with the insurance company reimbursing us for this amount minus the deductible.
- 5. approve payment to Uni-Dig, Inc. in the amount of \$12,480.00 for leaf disposal in conjunction with the curbside leaf pickup program.
- 6. approve payment to Six Brothers Construction LLC in the amount of \$43,400.00; \$7,171.00 for the renovations and repair work at 20437 Damman, \$2,250.00 at 19668 Washtenaw, \$4,000.00 at 18827 Woodside, \$1,029.00 at 21364 Brierstone, \$7,950.00 at 18920 Old Homestead, \$1,000.00 at 18784 Kenosha, and \$20,000.00 at 1328 Beaconsfield as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
- 7. approve payment in the amount of \$6,516.00 to the Michigan Municipal League for membership dues covering the period February 1, 2020 through January 31, 2021.
- 8. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein &Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$29,223.59 for professional services during the month of November 2019 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset mgmt plan, #180-202; 2018 Concrete Pavement repair, #180-204; Housing Rehab Project, #180-178; GLWA Work Group, #180-209 and Kelly Road Pedestrian Crossing, #180-208.

9. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$27,005.80 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of November 2019.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams and Poynter.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# CM 12-179-19 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 9 - 2018 SAW GRANT STORM SEWER CCTV INVESTIGATION, #180-202

# RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Doetsch Industrial Services, Inc. in the amount of \$23,935.50 for Progress Payment No. 9 on the 2018 SAW Grant - Storm Sewer CCTV Investigation Project, #180-202.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# CM 12-180-19 MICHIGAN UNIFORM VIDEO SERVICE LOCAL FRANCHISE AGREEMENT RENEWAL - COMCAST

#### RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the Michigan Uniform Video Service Local Franchise agreement renewal between the City of Harper Woods and Comcast of Grosse Pointe Inc. and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement and any necessary related documents on behalf of the city.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Lyons, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter, Costantino, and Kindle.

NO: Paiz

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED

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# CM 12-181-19 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT TECHNICAL, PROFESSIONAL AND OFFICE WORKERS ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN - DPW UNIT

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Harper Woods and the Technical, Professional and Officeworkers Association of Michigan (TPOAM), DPW Unit covering the period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021, and further to authorize the Mayor and the City Manager to sign the agreement.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle and Lyons.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 12-182-19 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT TECHNICAL, PROFESSIONAL AND OFFICE WORKERS
ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN -CLERICAL UNIT

#### RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the City of Harper Woods and the Technical, Professional and Officeworkers Association of Michigan (TPOAM), Clerical Unit covering the period January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2021, and further to authorize the Mayor and the City Manager to sign the agreement.

#### **ROLL CALL VOTE**

YES: Sawicki, Williams, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Lyons and Paiz.

NO: None.

#### RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 12-183-19 RESOLUTION - ESTABLISHING AUTHORIZED

SIGNATORIES FOR MERS CONTRACTS AND SERVICE CREDIT PURCHASE APPROVALS

#### RESOLUTION by Williams, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the attached resolution establishing authorized signatories for Municipal Employees' Retirement System (MERS) contracts and service credit purchase approvals, with the City Manager and the Finance Director being the designees on behalf

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of the City of Harper Woods.

**ROLL CALL VOTE** 

YES: Williams, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Paiz and Sawicki.

NO: None.

## RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

# **CALL TO AUDIENCE**

None.

## CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilperson Sawicki wished everyone happy holidays and asked all to stay safe.

Councilperson Paiz shared the same sentiment.

Councilperson Costantino wished the same.

Mayor Poynter spoke about a meeting with the HWHS corporate advisory board, including the middle school students. He stated that when you ask a middle school student a question, they definitely give you a straight-up, honest answer. He next mentioned his attendance at the NAACP Christmas party saying it was an outstanding event. He also said Diploma Success honored veterans with a luncheon and this was a great event in an outstanding facility. He then shared that he met with Wayne County land bank primarily about Eastland mall. Next, he spoke about the Mayor/Manager meeting which was held at the CCI Building. All the Grosse Pointes Managers and Mayors were in attendance and they said many good things about the event, the breakfast that was served and this progressive way of educating students.

Councilperson Paiz thanked Senator Hollier for taking the time to keep residents and Council informed.

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# **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY	
KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR	LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK