

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.

MOTION CARRIED

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.

CITY OF HARPER WOODS, MICHIGAN

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

MINUTES

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.

MOTION CARRIED

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.

MOTION CARRIED

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 LEASE OF NEW COPIER

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.

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.

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
DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

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	<u>\$ 8,748.20</u>
Total	\$87,482.00

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

ABSENT: Marshall.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

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. Serriocco 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 8th 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.

MOTION CARRIED

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:

1. 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:

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.

CM 02-34-18

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: Sawicki.

MOTION CARRIED

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

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.

2. 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. Councilperson Kindle wondered if the discussions included a recreation facility.

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

CM 03-43-18 CITY MANAGER EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

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.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE 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

MOTION CARRIED

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:

1. 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

MOTION CARRIED

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

MOTION CARRIED

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

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

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.

MOTION CARRIED

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.
2. 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 Saliccioli 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

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
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

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

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 14th 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 50th in the country for revenue sharing.

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

Councilperson Paiz suggested through a GPW councilmember that she recognized from

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

MINUTES

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

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:

1. 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

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

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 Anointed 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 28th, free zoo admission for seniors on April 25th and that May 16 is Older Michigianians 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 21st 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 23rd. She next shared that the recent K-9 pancake breakfast raised \$2,600.00 and the GPAAS "Gimme

Shelter” fundraiser 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 50th 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.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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.

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 16th. 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.

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 EXCUSE COUNCILPERSONS MARSHALL & SAWICKI

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 MINUTES

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:

1. 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) -

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 2nd 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 16th 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.

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.

CM 06-108-18

MINUTES

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:

1. 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 Anointed 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.

CM 07-120-18

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 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:

1. 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 BBK 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

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

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

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), Pre-collection 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.

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

CM 07-134-18 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 Anointed
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 BBK
Construction in the amount of \$26,887.00 for rehab work to be provided at 21184

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 7th. 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

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.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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.

CM 07-142-18

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

That the agenda of the special City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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.

ABSENT: 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 BBK 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

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.

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:

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:

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 Anointed 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 three-year 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

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.

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

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:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

ABSENT: Marshall

MOTION CARRIED

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

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:

1. 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.

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.

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.

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.

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:

1. 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

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 3rd, 4th and 5th 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 6th.

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.

CM 10-175-18 2018 BUDGET WORKSHOP SESSION

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.

MOTION CARRIED

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

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.

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 14th, 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

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 7:51 p.m.

ABSENT: Marshall.

MOTION CARRIED

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE 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

MINUTES

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 BB&K 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

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

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.

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.

ABSENT: Marshall.

MOTION CARRIED

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

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

EXCUSE COUNCILPERSON PAIZ

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:

1. 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

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

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 8:14 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 LEGAL OPINION - ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM

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.

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.

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.

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

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

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, Councilmember Jenny
Willie B. Smith	4 Votes	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 Pro tem 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

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.

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:

1. 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.

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 Anointed 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.

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."

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

ADJOURNMENT

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:

1. 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

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.

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 Zimmerman 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 re-voted 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.

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 CONFERENCE

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 conjunction 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

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 8:35 p.m. and reconvened at 11:16 p.m.

CM 01-11-19

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 11:16 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

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.

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.

CM 02-15-19

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 7:39 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

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

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.

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.

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.

CM 02-24-19

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 8:07 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

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.)

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 out as 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

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 7:45 p.m.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 03-30 -19

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 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.

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.

CM 03-35-19

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 7:48 p.m.

ABSENT: Costantino (7:39 p.m.)

MOTION CARRIED

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

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

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 restituted, 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.

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:

1. 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.

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.

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:

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.

CALL TO COUNCIL

The Mayor announced the upcoming Mayors Prayer Breakfast is to be held at the GP Yacht Club on May 2nd 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 28th 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 18th.

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:

1. 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 speed 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 75th 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 19th 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:

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

MINUTES

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:

1. 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 Vigarro 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 2nd Monday in the months of June, July and August. The Mayor then shared that his interactions with DTE including the necessity of having his yard 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

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 way 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.

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 Occupancy 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:

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

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 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.
3. 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

CM 07-89-19 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 3 - 2018 SAW GRANT;
STORM SEWER CCTV INVESTIGATION

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:

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.

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.

MOTION CARRIED

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

PRESENTATION

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:

1. 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.
3. 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 pro-rata 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

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.

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

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.

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 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 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.

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

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 14th 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

matter of a contract renewal would be an agenda item at an upcoming meeting.

CM 09-113-19

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 7:49 p.m.

ABSENT: Smith.

MOTION CARRIED

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

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

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

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 through 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.

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

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 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:

1. 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

- 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 consulting services in conjunction 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 - SAFE BUILT 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 SAFE BUILT 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 information 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.

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.

CM 10-130-19

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 10:00 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

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

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 - SAFE BUILT 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.

CM 10-135-19 CM 10-128-19 RENEWAL OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
AGREEMENT - SAFE BUILT 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 SAFE Built 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.

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

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.

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.
3. 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.

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

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 2019 STORM WATER UTILITY RATE RESOLUTION

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

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

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.

CM 11-153-19

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 8:50 p.m.

ABSENT: Sawicki

MOTION CARRIED

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 plaque.

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

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

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 purchase 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.

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 public 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 21st from 10:00 to 2:00 p.m.

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 14th 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.

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

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

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

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.

CM 12-184-19

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 7:55 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
JANUARY 6, 2020

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 and Regina Williams.

ABSENT: Councilperson Vivian Sawicki.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 01-01-20

EXCUSE COUNCILPERSON SAWICKI

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

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

ABSENT: Sawicki

MOTION CARRIED

PRESENTATION

Suzy Berschback, Healthy Communities Manager of Beaumont Health shared a short video recapping the first years' activities of the Healthy Grosse Pointes/Harper Woods and upcoming events and plans for 2020.

PRESENTATION

The City Clerk swore in our two new Public Safety Officers Shawn Yates and James Daves.

CM 01-02-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on December 16, 2019.

ABSENT: Sawicki

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 01-03-20

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 118246 through 118449 in the amount of \$1,335,309.94 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 Badger Meter in the amount of \$42,120.00 for the purchase of 180 new 5/8" Orion automatic read water meters.
3. approve payment to Great Lakes Contracting Solutions in the amount of \$15,719.15 for the emergency concrete repair following a main break on Vernier Road.
4. approve payment to Simplified Business Solutions in the amount of \$10,043.64 for the email hosting, security and backups of our computer system for the month of November, IT support services and the purchase of desktop computers, monitors and printers.
5. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$11,691.94 for professional services during the month of December 2019 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; 2019 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; Verizon Cell Tower, #180-225 and the Kelly Road Pedestrian Crossing, #180-208.
6. approve payment to Optimum Contracting Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$34,900.00 for the renovations and repair work at 19454 Eastwood and \$15,975.00 for the renovations and repair work at 19637 Lochmoor, for a total of \$50,875.00 as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
7. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,347.25 for the contractual

- assessing services performed during the month of January 2020.
8. approve payment in the amount of \$18,750.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several watermain breaks and repair of a stop box at a residential location.
 9. approve payment to Litho Printing Service, Inc. in the amount of \$6,775.00 for the printing of the 2020 City calendar.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Williams and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Sawicki

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 01-04-20 MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LIABILITY AND PROPERTY
INSURANCE RENEWAL

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to renew the City's participation in the Michigan Municipal League's Liability and Property Pool for 2020 in the amount of \$235,066.00 for coverage as stated in their renewal proposal and, further that competitive bidding be waived in accordance with City policy.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Lyons, Kindle, Paiz, Williams, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Sawicki

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 01-05-20 INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING - AN ORDINANCE
AMENDING CHAPTER 23, ARTICLE I, SECTION
23-4A OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES
REGARDING SNOW REMOVAL

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and place for first reading an Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 23 Article I, Section 23-4a - Penalty; Enforcement 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, Williams, Poynter, Costantino, and Lyons.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Sawicki

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Cadotte commented that DTE is again charging all customers a transitional recovery fee which is essentially paying DTE's takeover of the Detroit public lighting system and he feels that Harper Woods residents shouldn't have to be paying for that. He also stated that he has noticed that in several locations in the city there are cars that park for several days and nights without being ticketed.

Ms. McBride mentioned that the monastery on Old Homestead is continually buying up properties near her and she asked if the City was aware of what will happen to the homes and also what would happen to her property values.

Mr. Mystkowsky of Lancaster thanked the city for their past efforts in cleaning up the properties near him, but shared that it is getting worse and there are now rodents.

Mr. McBride also shared his concerns with the monastery buying up properties and also that there are cars that regularly race down his street and asked for more police presence.

Mr. Schenburn asked if there was a City Council representative on the Milk River Board and were federal grants considered for the repairs and upgrades to this facility.

Mr. Degarro inquired if the city has an ordinance that prohibits pets from being outside between the hours of 11pm and 7am, and if not, could the Ordinance Committee consider one similar to the one that Eastpointe has.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilwoman Paiz agreed that the Ordinance Committee should look into the pet ordinance and also announced that the City's new website is up.

Mayor Pro tem Costantino announced the Coalition meeting will be on Wednesday at 6:30 at the NEDC, the next City Council will be held on Wednesday, January 22 instead of Monday due to the Martin Luther King holiday, and the next Ordinance Committee meeting will be on February 3 at 6:00pm.

She then commented on the monastery buying properties and stated that she thinks the property values will rise as the monastery grows.

Councilwoman Williams asked if the Council meetings will be broadcast on the new website. She then mentioned that the school district is working on creating youtube videos for a variety of issues and announcements.

Councilwoman Lyons announced the next SOUP event will take place on February 23 and said that they will be held quarterly in 2020.

Councilwoman Kindle asked if the City responded in any way involving the revisions to the Federal Lead and Copper rule and shared an email that she received from GLWA regarding this.

Mayor Poynter shared his participation prior to Christmas with welcoming Santa to the City airport along with the Tuskegee Airmen and their bringing of gifts to kids. He commented on how surprised he is that Kelly Road is beginning to look so well, especially between Elkhart and Roscommon and stated that more businesses will be coming.

CM 01-06-20

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 7:50 p.m.

ABSENT: Sawicki

MOTION CARRIED

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
JANUARY 22, 2020

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 01-01-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held January 6, 2020 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held November 21, 2019.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 01-02-20

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 118450 through 118553 in the amount of \$466,775.64 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 \$5,301.98

- for software support on the district court's computer system and SOS/Lein fees.
3. approve payment to Wayne County Land Bank in the amount of \$5,618.36 for taxes owed on properties as attached.
 4. approve payment to City Insight LLC in the amount of \$7,500.00 for the annual licensing, maintenance, hosting and technical support for the mobile water application.
 5. 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.
 6. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$29,622.40 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of December 2019.
 7. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$6,271.17 for professional services during the month of December 2019 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204 and the Stormwater Ordinance Collaboration, #180-224.
 8. approve payment in the amount of \$16,560.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several watermain breaks, hydrant repairs and stop box repairs at various residential locations.
 9. approve the reappointments to the various boards and commissions as listed on the attached memorandum from the City Clerk.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 01-03-20 ADOPT 2020 FEDERAL POVERTY INCOME GUIDELINES

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the 2020 Federal Poverty Income Guidelines as required annually by the Michigan Department of Treasury State Tax Commission.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 01-04-20 MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE - CAPITAL CONFERENCE

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED to authorize those Councilmembers interested to attend the Michigan

Municipal League's Annual Legislative Conference on March 24-25, 2020 with the City paying all necessary and related expenses.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Binder commented on the snow ordinance which states that homeowners are to clear away snow 36 hours after the snowfall and that patrol officers should be out enforcing this and writing tickets. He also commented that there were large tree branches in the street for several weeks that he removed and asked why a patrol car or a maintenance person didn't notice them first.

Ms. Thomas asked about obtaining a special sign to place near her driveway to alert the snow plow personnel not to plow the snow covering her driveway as she has a special needs child that has a difficult time getting through the snow in a wheelchair.

Mr. Muskowsky asked what the current status is of the home on Lancaster that he has complained about recently. It is getting worse and he wants to see something done with this hoarding situation.

Mr. Toussant commented that the city should consider a different method of delivering the calendar and The Insider as so many residents aren't receiving them.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilwoman Paiz commented about GLWA being involved in testing the Detroit River and gave an update. She also commented about a news story about the Grosse Pointe South basketball coach that collapsed with a heart attack. She shared that she isn't aware of how to use a defibrillator and asked if possibly a public safety officer could administer some training to residents who would like to learn.

Councilwoman Sawicki shared the current vacancies on the various city boards and commissions.

Councilwoman Costantino announced the next Ordinance committee meeting will be held on February 3 at 6:00 p.m. and is open to the public. She also shared that there is crime

reduction committee that she is part of and she asked if anyone was interested in attending the meetings or getting involved to contact her. She then mentioned that the public safety department is planning a town hall meeting with a planning meeting scheduled for February 10. She suggested that this group could engage in emergency response training which could include CPR, operating a defibrillator machine, or a fire extinguisher as she is a certified trainer on these types of things.

Councilwoman Williams shared that with Martin Luther King Jr. day being observed recently, she said that she spent some time thinking about kindness and wanted to express how this community could share kindness as there are many seniors and other shut-ins that need assistance. Everyone should look out for one another, not just on MLK day, but everyday.

CM 01-05-20

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 7:25 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 3, 2020

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 02-12-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held January 22, 2020 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held December 12, 2019 and the Planning Commission meeting held January 23, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made

CM 2-13-20

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

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

1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 118554 through 118664 in the amount of \$770,744.18 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 Simplified Business Solutions in the amount of \$8,402.45 for the email hosting, security and backups of our computer system for the month of December, IT support services, the balance for the website creation, and the purchase of a desktop computer.
3. approve payment to J. Ranck Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$11,114.00 for the installation of 2 poles for the new speed reader signs.
4. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$ 5,257.25 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of February 2020.
5. approve payment to Michigan CAT in the amount of \$12,984.17 for the repairs of their front end loader's brakes, driveshaft and axle.
6. approve payment to CDW Government in the amount of \$6,225.00 for the purchase of five (5) 4G network modems for the department's patrol vehicles.
7. approve payment to Oakland County Information Technology in the amount of \$6,865.75 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the Police Department.
8. approve payment to Six Brothers Construction LLC in the amount of \$27,399.00; \$26,500.00 for the renovations and repair work at 1328 Beaconsfield in Grosse Pointe Park and \$899.00 at 20437 Damman as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
9. to appoint Mr. Ivery Toussant to the Planning Commission for a three-year term ending January 2023 and Mr. Marvis Cofield to the Recreation Advisory Board for an unexpired term ending January 2022.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 02-14-20

PURCHASE - PORTABLE RADIOS

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the purchase of seven (7) new APX 6000 Motorola Prep Radios from Motorola Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$29,507.80 and further that competitive bidding be waived as these were bid through the State of Michigan Extended Purchasing Agreement.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 02-15-20 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION - ORDINANCE
NO. 2020 -01 REGARDING SNOW REMOVAL

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:
BE IT RESOLVED to Place for Second Reading and Adoption Ordinance No. 2020-01 entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 23, Article I, Section 23-4a, Penalty; Enforcement 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: Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter, Costantino, and Kindle.
NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 02-16-20 PROPOSAL FOR RATE INCREASE FOR ENGINEERING
SERVICES - ANDERSON, ECKSTEIN & WESTRICK, INC.

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:
BE IT RESOLVED to accept the 1.4% Hourly Charge Rate increase proposal dated January 23, 2020 from engineering firm Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. effective July 1, 2020.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle and Lyons.
NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 02-17-20 MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING - IMPLEMENTATION
OF 12 - HOUR SHIFTS FOR DISPATCHERS

RESOLUTION by Williams, SUPPORTED by Lyons:
BE IT RESOLVED approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Harper Woods and the Fraternal Order of Police Patrol Officers, Detectives and Dispatcher's Unit regarding the implementation of 12-hour shifts for Dispatchers, and further to authorize the Mayor and the City Manager to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Hakim mentioned that his wife works in Detroit and pays a city income tax and he suggested a similar tax be imposed in Harper Woods to generate income.

Mr. Krass stated that when it last rained his street flooded and the pump at the corner of Bournemouth was not turned on. He suggested that no one was able to unlock it. He further said that the City no longer lives within it's means and questioned how can we afford new cars.

Mr. Cadotte said that the lights on Vernier between beaconsfield and the service drive have been out for some time and wondered what's been happening. He thanked DPW for the snow removal and asked when does a snow emergency end. He then said that since the State of Michigan will not be giving the local communities money for fixing the roads letters should be sent to the legislators.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilperson Costantino announced the next ordinance meeting will be March 16 at 6:00 p.m.

Councilperson Sawicki stated she had a wonderful experience on Saturday at a painting event with a group that is trying to form a womens group in Harper Woods. She also encouraged the men to keep up the Dad's club.

The Mayor shared that at the last Mayor/Manager meeting the topic of the Census was discussed. He said Census information is kept confidential and very important. If someone fails to be counted it can cost the City \$1,800 per person per year in revenue. It also determines the number of congressional seats we have. He concluded it can be very costly if we are not all counted.

CM 02-18-20 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 7:42 p.m. and reconvened at 8:30 p.m.

CM 02-19-20

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Piaz:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:34 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
FEBRUARY 19, 2020

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:

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 02-20-20

EXCUSE MAYOR PRO TEM COSTANTINO

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

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

ABSENT: Costantino

MOTION CARRIED

CM 02-21-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held February 3, 2020 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Ordinance Committee held on February 3, 2020 and the Election Commission meeting held on February 13, 2020.

ABSENT: Costantino

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 02-22-20

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Paiz, 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 118665 through 118788 in the amount of \$725,936.67 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 \$282,781.45 for the operation and maintenance of the Milk River Drain for the fourth quarter 2019 and \$88,960.98 for the City's proportionate share of the supplemental construction funding for a total of \$371,742.43.
3. Appoint Mr. Tom Jenny to the Planning Commission for an unexpired term ending January 2021 and to the Local Officers Compensation Commission with a five-year term ending January 2024.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 02-23-20

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING - AN
ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 11, REGARDING
DANGEROUS BUILDINGS

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Williams:

BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and place for first reading an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 11 of the Housing Code of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances Adding Article II Entitled Dangerous Buildings," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter and Kindle.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 02-24-20 INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING - AN
ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 23,
ARTICLE II - STREET AND SIDEWALKS

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and place for first reading an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 23, Article II, Sections 23- - Streets and Sidewalks 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, Williams, Poynter, Kindle and Lyons.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 02-25-20 INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING - AN
ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 16, ARTICLE III,
GRASS, NOXIOUS WEEDS AND VEGETATION

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED to introduce and place for first reading an ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 16, Article III, Grass, Noxious Weeds and Vegetation 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: Williams, Poynter, Lyons and Paiz

NO: Sawicki and Kindle

ABSENT: Costantino

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 02-26-20 ACCEPTANCE OF WAYNE COUNTY RECREATION GRANT

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

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 for Fiscal Years 2017/2018 and Fiscal Years 2019/2020 and further to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Williams, Poynter, Kindle, Lyons, Paiz and Sawicki.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 02-27-20

ENGINEERING PROPOSAL - AEW, INC.
BEACONSFIELD RESURFACING PROJECT
KINGSVILLE TO WOODLAND

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the proposal for engineering services submitted by the city engineers, Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. dated January 20, 2020 for the Beaconsfield Road Resurfacing Project, Kingsville to Woodland in the amount of \$46,406.00.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Poynter, Kindle, Lyons Paiz, Sawicki and Williams.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 02-28-20

ESTABLISHMENT OF FEES - PARKING PERMITS

RESOLUTION by Williams, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the resolution for the establishment of fees pursuant to Chapter 5, Article I, Section 25-4 of the Harper Woods Local Ordinances whereby adjusting the annual parking permit fee issued by the Police Department to be raised to \$45.00 and to establish a fee of \$10.00 for any temporary on-street parking permit, effective immediately.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Kindle, Lyons, Sawicki and Williams and Poynter.

NO: Paiz.

ABSENT: Costantino

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 02-29-20 PROPOSAL - NEW CITY ELECTRONIC SIGN

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the proposal submitted by Mr. LED for the purchase of the Electro-Matic 11MM Electronic Message Center in the amount of \$40,904.55 with the installation to be provided by AAA Sign Co. in the amount of \$2,000.00.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Lyons Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter and Kindle.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CALL TO AUDIENCE

A resident inquired if the sign that the City intends to install is similar to the sign at the corner of 8 mile and Harper.

Mr. Cadotte commented about the new water meters that are being installed throughout the city and that he is opposed to them as they emit high levels of radio frequencies.

Mr. Schenburn asked if the new amendment to the street and sidewalk ordinance include businesses, especially on Kelly Road where many areas are in complete disrepair. He then suggested that we discontinue the use of cold patch and utilize the method that Clinton Township uses, with pea gravel and tar as it appears to last longer.

Mr. LaPalm addressed some concerns that were raised earlier in the meeting regarding the building department and enforcing the new street/sidewalk ordinances, by stating that the department follows the State code for all matters. Also, during the Beaconsfield repair project and if work is scheduled into the school year, in the event there are safety concerns near the elementary school, he would have the authority to stop the work being done until those concerns are addressed. Lastly he commented that the home values in Harper Woods have rebounded by about 17% and thanked Council for supporting SafeBuilt.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilmember Kindle asked that her transportation to the National League of Cities conference be added to the next agenda for approval by Council. She then commented on her attendance at a SEMCOG meeting and shared that the topic was about bike lanes

and while Harper Woods doesn't have the space needed for this, but more walkability could be attempted. A transportation plan will be forthcoming as well. Lastly she announced that the Lions Club will be holding a Pancake Breakfast on April 14 at the Amvets and invited everyone to attend and support them.

Councilmember Paiz shared that the new Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption building on Harper at Lennon held their grand opening. She then thanked Mr. Mackey for his generous donations to make this happen.

Mayor Poynter commented about his attendance at the recent Valentine's Day tea at the NEDC on Kelly Road and that it was a very nice event. Also, he mentioned that the new Grosse Pointe Animal Adoption building was once known as The Hideout and many bands played there in the 60's and 70's.

CM 02-30-20

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Williams:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

ABSENT: Costantino

MOTION CARRIED

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 2, 2020

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, Councilperson(s) Valerie Kindle, Ernestine Lyons, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki and Regina Williams.

ABSENT: Mayor Pro tem Cheryl A. Costantino

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 03-31-20

EXECUTIVE SESSION - STORMWATER
ORDINANCE - LITIGATION

MOTION by Jenny, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing the Stormwater Ordinance litigation.

ABSENT: Costantino

MOTION CARRIED

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 6:03 p.m. and reconvened at 6:55 p.m.

CALL TO AUDIENCE

No comments were made.

CALL TO COUNCIL

No comments were made.

CM 03-32-20

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

That the agenda of the special City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

ABSENT: Costantino

MOTION CARRIED

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 2, 2020

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 Economic and Community Development Director, Tyrone Hinton, shared an update on the transition of the Community Development Block Grant program.

CM 03-33-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held February 19, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 03-34-20

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Lyons, 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 118789 through 118884 in the amount of \$1,102,514.09 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 \$10,570.41 for professional services during the month of January 2020 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Management Plan, #180-202; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; 2020 Pavement Joint/Crack Sealing, #180-226; Housing Rehab Project, #180-178; and the Christian Financial Credit Union Parking Lot, #180-216.
3. approve payment to Badger Meter, Inc. in the amount of \$45,756.74 for the purchase of several new Orion automatic read water meters and tops.
4. approve payment in the amount of \$807,833.83 to Wayne County for the Milk River Drain principal and interest payments on the SRF Program.
5. to appoint Michael Cadotte as a full member to the Board of Review with a term ending January 2023 and Kevin Koresky as an alternate member with a term ending January 2023.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 03-35-20

AUDIT PROPOSAL

RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED accept the proposal dated February 18, 2020 submitted by Plante and Moran for auditing services in the amount of \$43,740 for the 2019 audit.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 03-36-20

ADD ITEM TO AGENDA - TRAVEL
FOR COUNCILPERSON KINDLE

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Williams:

To add to the agenda a resolution to reimburse Councilperson Kindle for travel expenses to attend the NLC Conference.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 03-37-20

AIRFARE REIMBURSEMENT FOR
COUNCILPERSON KINDLE

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED to reimburse Councilperson Kindle for her airfare to attend the NLC Conference.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Schenburn said his understanding was that the Fire Department could request payment for responding to accidents on I-94. He questioned why the City didn't make Eastland Mall repair their roads and asked if Safebuilt inspects new stores at Eastland.

Mr. Toussant said he has compared his taxes, which are lower, to Grosse Pointe Woods and they have better roads than Harper Woods. He suggested taxes may need to be raised to make road repairs. He then mentioned that an NAACP event held for black history month was well attended.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilperson Kindle stated that MML insurance will reimburse \$1.5 million back to the municipalities. She then mentioned that GLWA has \$1.6 million for wrap-around services that will include help for Harper Woods residents who are having trouble paying their water bills. Residents should reach out to Wayne Metro for this assistance. She then shared that the Pay As You Stay bill passed today which will assist in payment of property taxes as

long as you remain the owner of the property. She next announced the Lions Club Pancake Breakfast will be held Palm Sunday, April 5 at Amvets Post 57.

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Councilperson Lyons announced that the Harper Woods Soup event has been rescheduled for March 29 at the CCI and a new added component will be that the winner can be enrolled in business classes. She mentioned that Senator Hollier's town hall meeting discussed recycling programs and what might happen in the future.

Councilperson Williams spoke about a recent prayer breakfast she attended in Harper Woods saying that 3 pastors joined in this event. She then said she attended an MML weekender training event that was beneficial and informative. She stated that she especially likes how the MML supports local communities and their councils.

Councilperson Paiz said she also attended an MML budget and finance weekender. She found it to be very enlightening and interesting. She also mentioned that MML provides basic education for elected officials with a variety of topics offered. She shared that Harper Woods has lost about 8 million in revenue sharing, between 2003 to 2017. She next reflected on the difficult choices the Council has had to make and the difficulties the residents have faced due to the loss of revenue sharing.

Councilperson Sawicki said she would like to see those who attend MML conferences or training give a report to the rest of Council.

Councilperson Costantino stated she would also like to hear a short oral report from conference attendees. She announced the next Ordinance Committee meeting is March 16 at 6:00 p.m. and the law enforcement crime reduction task force will meet on March 9. She shared that the Month of May will be public safety month and several classes will be held to help inform the public on a variety of topics. She shared a story of a funeral she recently attended where a person collapsed and no one knew what to do. There was no AED machine and she said she was thankful the city has these devices and that we have great response times. She then commented about the Mayor's incident several years back where without the usage of the AED, he would not have survived his heart attack.

Councilperson Paiz mentioned that residents should sign up for a service called smart911.com so if you call 911 for assistance the police will know more about you and be better equipped to help.

Mayor Poynter shared that the NAACP black history community breakfast buffet held recently was an outstanding event at the CCI. He commented on revenue sharing saying that we are owed millions since about 2001 and that the State is balancing its budget on the City's back by not giving us and other communities in need their fair share. Next, he mentioned a F.O.I.A. request from the Mackinac Public Policy group which is an arm of the

Republican party asking for information on the pensions of all teachers in the state and wondered why they would want this. He then too recollected his collapse several years ago where he was brought back to life with the aid of the AED machine and doctors and nurses

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that were present. He then shared that March is women's history month.

CM 03-38-20

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 7:47 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
MARCH 16, 2020

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 City Clerk swore in our new Public Safety Officer Luke Pauley.

CM 03-39-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting and the Special City Council meeting held March 2, 2020 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held January 16, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 03-40-20

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

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CM 03-42-20 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION - AN ORDINANCE
AMENDING CHAPTER 11 REGARDING DANGEROUS BUILDINGS

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to Place for Second Reading and Adoption an Ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 11 of the Housing Code of the City of Harper Woods Code of Ordinances, Adding Article II entitled Dangerous Buildings," and further to direct the City Clerk to publish a notice of this in accordance with City Charter requirements.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 03-43-20 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION - AN ORDINANCE
AMENDING CHAPTER 16, ARTICLE III,
GRASS HIGH WEEDS AND VEGETATION

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to Place for Second Reading and Adoption an Ordinance entitled, "An Ordinance to Amend Chapter 16, Article III, Grass, Noxious Weeds and Vegetation 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, Williams, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle and Lyons.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 03-44-20 SECOND READING AND ADOPTION - AN
ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 23,
ARTICLE II; STREETS AND SIDEWALKS

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED to Place for Second Reading and Adoption an Ordinance entitled, "An

Ordinance to Amend Chapter 23, Article II, Sections 23 –; Streets and Sidewalks 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.

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ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Lyons and Paiz.
NO: Williams

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 03-45-20 RESOLUTION - UNIFORM TRANSFER PROVISION
MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM (MERS)

RESOLUTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Costantino:
BE IT RESOLVED adopt the Resolution Establishing Uniform Transfer Provision for the Municipal Employee’s Retirement System (MERS), and further to authorize the City Manager to sign the resolution on behalf of the City.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Williams, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Paiz and Sawicki.
NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 03-46-20 PURCHASE OF TASERS

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Lyons:
BE IT RESOLVED approve the purchase of fifteen (15) tasers from Axon Enterprise, Inc. in the amount of \$28,875.00, with \$8,175.00 being due in the first year and \$5,175.00 for the subsequent 4 remaining years.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki and Williams.
NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO AUDIENCE

No comments were made.

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CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilperson Costantino stated that the postponed Ordinance meeting will be announced at a later date. She then gave some tentative meeting dates for the crime reduction task force to prepare for public safety awareness month that will encompass training for the public with the initial meeting on May 7. Some of the training includes use of fire extinguishers, bike safety, AED and CPR training and what to do when stopped by a Public Safety Officer. Volunteers are still needed for these sessions. National Night Out is scheduled for August 4 and they would like to add more activities to this event.

Councilperson Kindle shared that the Lions Club Pancake Breakfast will be canceled and has not been rescheduled at this time.

Councilperson Paiz said that since the MML capital conference was cancelled the money that was saved could be used to purchase the tasers. She mentioned she attended the 14th congressional teleconference and the information provided on the COVID-19 virus on Saturday has already changed and more cases have been noted in the district. She said that Wayne County Executive Warren Evans will be having a teleconference tomorrow to give more information. Next she thanked the City's administration for coming together quickly to deal with this community concern.

The City Manager apprised all of what the City has been dealing with and what has been done so far to help mitigate this pandemic.

Councilperson Williams reminded the residents that the 2020 census should be in mailboxes soon and that it is a quick process to complete and safe to access the census on line.

Councilperson Sawicki stated that the census is easy and guarantees that the community will receive money in the future since everyone will be counted. She then thanked the administration for their quick actions concerning the virus saying the situation can become grave quickly and we need to take it seriously. She said it would behoove the Council to look for alternative ways to meet and maybe by the next scheduled April 6 meeting this could blow over.

Councilperson Lyons urged everyone that although tomorrow is St. Patrick's day to please stay at home and be safe. She suggested small businesses be supported with gift cards. Next she shared that the Soup event has been canceled and reminded all to wash their

hands and practice social distancing.

The Mayor said that our lives are changing on a daily basis due to the virus and that he would be attending the teleconference with Wayne County to become more informed about

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necessary protocols should be followed during this time. He mentioned that, as a baseball fan, opening day could be postponed until May. He stated he heard the virus may settle down in August if people pay attention to what the CDC says and follow the protocols. He mentioned the state of California is requesting all individuals 65 and older to self quarantine. He urged all to pay attention, think positively and be realistic about what is best for the community not just for yourself. He reminded residents that there is no "I" in team and we must work together for what is best for the community.

CM 03-47-20 EXECUTIVE SESSION - COLLECTIVE BARGAINING MATTER

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

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 8:02 p.m. and reconvened at 8:55 p.m.

CM 03-48-20 ADD ITEM TO AGENDA -
COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT - IAFF

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

To add to the agenda a complete collective bargaining agreement between the City of Harper Woods and the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF).

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 03-49-20 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT - IAFF

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

To accept the complete collective bargaining agreement incorporating all addendums and memorandums of understanding from 2007 through 2016 between the City of Harper Woods and the International Association of Fire Fighters (IAFF), and further to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement.

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APRIL 6, 2020

MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 1:00 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 04-51-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held March 16, 2020 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Board of Zoning Appeals meeting held on March 11, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 04-52-20

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, 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 119028 through 119112 in the amount of \$248,826.87 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 WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,257.25 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of April 2020.
3. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$39,360.67 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of January 2020.
4. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$19,742.55 for professional services during the month of February 2020 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Mgmt Plan, #180-202; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; 2020 Pavement Joint/Crack Sealing, #180-226; Emergency Sewer Repair, #180-229; Christian Financial Parking Lot, #180-216; Extenet Fiber, #180-220; Federal Call for Projects, #180-227; Signal Modification, #180-228 and Beaconsfield Resurfacing, #180-231.
5. approve payment to Plante & Moran in the amount of \$6,740.00 for the professional services performed in conjunction with the 2019 audit.
6. approve payment to Optimum Contracting Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$24,775.00 for the renovations and repair work at 19960 Lancaster as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
7. approve payment to Badger Meter, Inc. in the amount of \$25,560.00 for the purchase of new 5/8" Orion automatic read water meters.
8. approve payment to BB&T Governmental Finance in the amount of \$66,660.00 for the interest payment on the Capital Improvement Bond.
9. to approve payment to Applied Concepts, Inc. in the amount of \$9,095.00; CDW Government in the amount of \$9,593.95; and Dell in the amount of \$14,450.90, with Ford reimbursing the City the entire amount (\$33,139.85) after we take delivery of the new vehicles.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 04-53-20

ESTABLISH PUBLIC HEARING DATES
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED to schedule a public hearing on April 20, 2020 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 May 4, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. for the purpose of reviewing the effect of the Special Assessment on the tax roll, and further that in the event the Governor of Michigan extends Executive Order No. 2020-21 that either one
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or both of these Public Hearings will be held at 1:00 p.m. via Zoom Virtual Meeting which will be posted promptly, and further that the City Clerk publish a notice of these in accordance with City Charter requirements.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams and Poynter
NO: None.
ABSENT: Costantino

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 04-54-20 MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
CONTRACT - HIGH INTENSITY ACTIVATED CROSSWALK
BEACON (HAWK) PROJECT

RESOLUTION by Williams, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the contract between the Michigan Department of Transportation and the City of Harper Woods for the installation of a High Intensity Activated Crosswalk Beacon (HAWK) along Kelly Road north of Cushing Street, including concrete sidewalk and ramp, concrete curb and gutter, permanent signing, and pavement marking work and all other necessary related work in the amount of \$168,200, of which \$151,400 are federal funds and \$16,800 are required city matching funds; MDOT Contract No. 20-5081, Control Section HSIP 82000, Job Number 207453CON and Project Number 20A0(474), and further to authorize the Mayor and City Manager to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter and Kindle.
NO: Paiz
ABSENT: Costantino

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 04-55-20 PURCHASE - ELGIN STREET SWEEPER

RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the purchase of a used 2016 Elgin Pelican Street Sweeper from Bell Equipment Company in the amount of \$175,000, with a trade-in amount of \$5,000 for our current sweeper and further that competitive bidding be waived as this purchase is for used equipment.

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ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle and Lyons.
NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 04-56-20 PURCHASE - CARPET AT CITY HALL

RESOLUTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Williams:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the proposal from Pro Quality Flooring for the purchase of carpet and for installation in an amount not to exceed \$39,127.00 for various areas of City Hall.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Sawicki, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle and Lyons.
NO: Williams and Paiz

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 04-57-20 COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT - HARPER
WOODS FIREFIGHTERS IAFF LOCAL 1188

RESOLUTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED Approve the Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Harper Woods Fire Fighter's Association Local 1188 for the contract term of January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2021.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Williams, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Paiz and Sawicki.
NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Ms. Kane commented that since landscaping companies have been determined to be non-essential by the Governor, and that many residents rely on their services, how will high grass violations be addressed.

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Mr. Calus asked about SafeBuilt working through this pandemic and issuing violations with expectations of having them remedied within 30 days.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilwoman Paiz commented that perhaps we could keep the residents informed about landscaping, compliance issues, which places in the city have been closed to the residents, etc. on the next water bills and on the website. She also mentioned that she requests an answer to the warranty issue on the equipment that was approved tonight.

Councilwoman Sawicki commented about all of the personal protection items she has noticed that have been discarded on sidewalks and in parking lots and recommended that people dispose of these items properly.

Councilwoman Williams suggested that information about the proper disposal of PPE's could be on the website.

Councilwoman Paiz thanked all of the participants of this first time virtual meeting for their patience with the technical difficulties that were experienced. She also thanked the DPW superintendent for his quick actions at the onset of this pandemic with ordering additional cleaning supplies and protection items for our public safety officers to be safe. She then thanked residents for their donations to our first responders.

Councilwoman Lyons thanked everyone for their patience with this first virtual meeting and also for the community rising to the occasion during this pandemic. She commented on the virtual coffee hour that was held recently and that there would be more opportunity for additional coffee hours in the future. She then asked that the community do their part in picking up after themselves.

Councilwoman Sawicki thanked Bob Gray for all of his efforts with today's virtual meeting and the extra time he has put in for this effort.

Councilwoman Paiz asked how this meeting would be made available to the public.

Mayor Poynter thanked everyone for being a part of this virtual meeting. He also shared

that while during this uncertain time, we may be scared, bored, etc. but we should continue to keep a regular schedule, keep our minds active and positive. This could be a great opportunity to become closer to family and friends.

CM 04-58-20

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

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That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 2:58 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

*NOTE - Due to this meeting being the first virtual City Council meeting there were instances that a councilmember(s) had technical difficulties and was unable to be reached during roll call voting.

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APRIL 20, 2020

MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 1:00 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 04-59-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held April 6, 2020 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Board of Review meeting held April 6, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

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 119113 through 119214 in the amount of \$365,976.29 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 \$6,159.54 for professional services during the month of March 2020 for the following projects: Stormwater Asset Management Plan, #180-202; 2020 Pavement Joint/Crack Sealing, #180-226; Emergency Sewer Repair, #180-215; Emergency Storm Sewer Repair, #180-229; DTE Sidewalk Inspection, #180-191; GLWA Corrosion Study, #180-232; Federal Call for Projects, #180-227 and the Beaconsfield Resurfacing, #180-231.
3. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$39,397.60 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of March 2020.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

to open the Public Hearing on the Continuation of a Special Assessment District.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC HEARING

The City Manager went through information and background to review the necessity of continuing the Special Assessment District to defray the costs for maintenance and Police and Fire Department operations.

OF A SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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CM 04-63-20 ADOPT RESOLUTIONS - SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

RESOLUTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Costantino:
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, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO AUDIENCE

No comments were made.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilperson Sawicki mentioned that Wednesday is Earth Day and since the Beautification Commission and residents can't participate as in the past she encouraged residents to clean up in their own areas and get Harper Woods looking as good as we can in light of the unusual circumstances this year.

Councilperson Williams asked how City employees and the community are doing in the midst of Covid-19. The City Manager responded that employees are grateful for continued employment and benefits and that department heads communicate weekly with their staff to stay updated with any concerns and that he has been keeping the Council up to date. He then stated that in the community crime in general is down.

The Mayor stated that he is updated through a phone conference with Wayne County Executive Evans and members of his staff. He stated that in Harper Woods we have had 10 Covid-19 related deaths with the age range of 33 to 85 and 5 of ten were African

American and 8 of ten were males.

The City Manager interjected that Wayne County's Covid-19 tracking system and information is a good link to view and is available on our website.

Councilperson Paiz said she has received emails from residents stating that some neighbors are violating the stay home/stay safe orders and suggested the police enforce the \$1,000 dollar fine or issue strong warnings. She shared that while she realizes that it

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is difficult to comply she has a number of friends and family who are health care professionals and one relative who is gravely ill. They risk their lives to protect others and it is disrespectful to disregard these orders that are for everyone's safety. She then commented that one of the things she likes most about our Police Department is that they are social with residents, introducing themselves and being a part of the community so she doesn't want to see any of them getting sick. She then mentioned on a different note a Harper Woods resident Paula Guthat who is owner and founder of Cinema Detroit and that she was the recipient of a 10 million dollar grant saying she would like to acknowledge this extraordinary resident.

Councilperson Lyons spoke about the Harper Woods community coffee hour on Mondays and Fridays during this crisis. She shared that there have been many more participants and conversations. They were recently joined by Senator Hollier with words of wisdom and updates from Lansing, and members of CARE and the Mayor as well. She mentioned in the future guests may include business owners and the public works director to share lawn and garden care and the virtual meet ups will expand to include game nights and work out classes to keep the community connected.

Councilperson Costantino stated that she has been enjoying the coffee hours and game nights. She also said she supports comments made by Councilperson Paiz regarding revenue sharing and suggested Council put something together as a whole to share their views.

Mayor Poynter summed up by saying that everyone should act responsibly, care about others, and that we are in this together, it's about we, not me. We should support what the Governor has recommended and that a six foot distance is better than six feet under and we should keep this in mind as we carry on.

CM 04-64-20

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 1:44 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
MAY 4, 2020

MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 1:00 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, and Vivian Sawicki.

ABSENT: Councilperson Regina Williams.

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager Joseph F. Rheker III, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 05-65-20

EXCUSE COUNCILPERSON WILLIAMS

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To excuse Councilperson Williams from today's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Williams.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 05-66-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held April 20, 2020 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held February 20, 2020.

ABSENT: Williams.

MOTION CARRIED

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PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

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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 119215 through 119279 in the amount of \$187,283.22 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 \$19,000.00 for professional services related to the City's financial reporting and preparation of the 2019 financial statements.
3. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,377.25 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of May 2020 and for paralegal services in conjunction with tax tribunal appeals.
4. approve payment to Oakland County Information Technology in the amount of \$6,865.75 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the Police Department.
5. approve payment to Doetsch Environmental Services in the amount of \$6,910.00 for the emergency debris excavation of two pump stations.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

ABSENT: Williams.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 05-68-20 OPEN PUBLIC HEARING - 20 MILL LEVY TO DEFRAY

THE COSTS TO CONTINUE THE MAINTENANCE
OF POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Kindle:
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.

ABSENT: Williams

MOTION CARRIED

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PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Calus asked for clarification on the discussion during the last public hearing and asked if this money represents a grant and how this would affect taxpayers. (The City Manager responded with an explanation that PA 33 is a levying of mills and is assessed to each household and further that the increased amounts are shown for each property owner in the lobby of City Hall.)

Councilperson Sawicki further clarified that we are currently operating with this assessment and this is not something new.

CM 05-69-20 CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING - 20 MILL LEVY TO DEFRAY
 THE COSTS TO CONTINUE THE MAINTENANCE
 OF POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION

MOTION by Paiz, 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.

ABSENT: Williams.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 05-70-20 ADOPT RESOLUTIONS - LEVY OF THE 20 MILL ASSESSMENT

RESOLUTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Lyons:
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: Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Williams.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

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CM 05-71-20 RESOLUTION - AMEND PA33 REGARDING
15,000 POPULATION THRESHOLD

RESOLUTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the resolution to Amend PA33 of 1951 Regarding the 15,000 Population Threshold and further that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to State Representative Yancey and State Senator Hollier requesting their formal support of this amendment as the City of Harper Woods relies greatly on the funds that are generated through PA33.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

ABSENT: Williams.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Library Director Valyi-hax gave an update regarding the Library. She shared that the temporary plan to reopen the Library will follow the CDC, Wayne County and the State of Michigan guidelines and will be carried out in four stages including possible curbside service. She recommended their website for more details.

Mr. Calus thanked the DPW for their fantastic work on a water main job. He continued by thanking the City's first responders and the Library for all that they have done during this pandemic. He then asked about various compliance issues and if the City can still utilize grant money for Beaconsfield. He next asked a question regarding Poupard though he acknowledged this was a School Board issue.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilperson Sawicki commented on a conversation she had with Councilperson Costantino regarding the possibility of changing the virtual Council meeting time to accommodate those members who are back to work and asked if it could be added to the agenda.

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CM 05-72-20 ADD ITEM TO AGENDA - TO DISCUSS SETTING
A TIME FOR FUTURE COUNCIL MEETINGS

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

To add an item to the agenda to discuss setting a time for future virtual Council meetings.

ABSENT: Williams.

MOTION CARRIED

CM 05-73-20 SET VIRTUAL COUNCIL MEETING TIME

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED to have all future virtual Council meetings held at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

ABSENT: Williams.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

Councilperson Lyons asked for further clarification of the Library's curbside service. (The Library Director elaborated on possible details of delivering books to cars while maintaining social distance and returns made to the drop box.)

Councilperson Paiz asked how her library card could be renewed and was told there may be extensions and was instructed to email the library for a status update.

Councilperson Kindle asked a question regarding water bills saying residential water was not on the bill only sewage.

Councilperson Sawicki asked when the new sign would be installed and was informed possibly within a week or so. She next commented that she feels it is important that residents are given the statistical information regarding how many people in Harper Woods have contracted the COVID-19 virus and how many have died. She stated that she has seen a number of people unprotected and not practicing social distancing and these statistics may make people more aware of the seriousness of the situation. She then asked when will the sidewalk at Woodland and Harper would be repaired. Next she thanked

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Senator Hollier and Representative Yancey for helping a resident who was in need of assistance obtaining her unemployment payment. Finally, she asked when the Library would begin their stages to reopen and suggested this could be shared on Nixle.

Councilperson Paiz suggested Nixle could also be used to inform residents of the Governor's orders and fines imposed.

Mayor Poynter stated that during this crisis he has been part of several seminars and in contact with the City Manager on a daily basis and in touch with the Wayne County Executive and even national representatives and state representatives. He praised City employees for the great job they are all doing in these difficult times. Next he mentioned that Harper Woods and the Grosse Pointes are trying to coordinate a strategy for reopening their cities and businesses saying that we will be working with the Chamber of Commerce and Ty Hinton will be our representative. He then shared some statistics regarding the effects of the virus on our community saying that there have been 23 deaths in the City with ages ranging from 25 to 89 years old. Thirteen of the 23 are African American and 13 are male. He said the virus is still something to be taken very seriously and we don't need any of the problems going on now at the state capital. He stated he is happy to have a council that can work together and be unified in their approach to this situation.

CM 05-74-20

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 1:53 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
MAY 18, 2020

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: Acting City Manager John Szymanski, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 05-75-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:
To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held May 4, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 05-76-20

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 119280 through 119368 in the amount of \$1,270,850.92 as submitted by the Acting City Manager and Acting Finance Director, and further, authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the listing.

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2. approve payment to Wayne County in the amount of \$565,562.90 for the operation and maintenance of the Milk River Drain from January through June 2020 and \$88,960.98 for the City's proportionate share of the supplemental construction funding for a total of \$654,523.88.
3. approve payment in the amount of \$19,850.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several watermain breaks at various residential locations and hydrant and gate valve repairs at two locations.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 05-77-20

APPOINTMENT OF ACTING CITY MANAGER

RESOLUTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to appoint John Szymanski to the position of acting City Manager effective immediately through June 30, 2020 or when City Manager Rheker returns from active duty.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 05-78-20

2020 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the \$20,000 allocation from Wayne County for Community Development Block Grant funds to be provided to The Helm and PAATS, and further to approve the submission of a proposal to Wayne County requesting additional funding in the amount of \$135,000.00 for proposed sidewalk repairs and for the purchase and installation of benches for the new basketball courts and that the Mayor be authorized to submit this proposal on behalf of the City.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

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RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 05-79-20

REFUSE FEE INCREASE

RESOLUTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the recommended increase in the monthly Refuse User Fee from \$2.30 to \$4.16 per month (total of \$1.86) per meter for all water/sewer billed after May 1, 2020.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 05-80-20

ACCEPTANCE OF NG911 GRANT

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the 911 Grant Funds awarded through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) and National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) in the amount of \$17,411.50 to fund the cost of upgrades to the 911 System with the City's local match amount of \$1,741.15 and an additional configuration and training fee of \$1,500.00.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 05-81-20 MODIFICATION OF RETIREE HEALTH CARE - FULL
TIME UNION EXEMPT EMPLOYEES

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Williams:
BE IT RESOLVED to approve the modification of the terms of all full-time, union exempt employees' agreements with regard to the retiree health care benefits to be consistent with those benefits provided the union employees of the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP), International Association of Fire Fighters, (IAFF) the Technical, Professional and Officeworkers Association of Michigan (TPOAM Clerical and DPW) and the Command

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Officers Association of Michigan (COAM).

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Williams, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Paiz and Sawicki.
NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO AUDIENCE

No comments were made.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilwoman Sawicki asked about the City Manager performance review subcommittee and where they are on this matter.

Councilwoman Paiz stated that this subcommittee would need to make a decision likely in December in order to inform the City Manager of their intent to renew his contract.

Councilwoman Sawicki asked about the Charter subcommittee also and asked if the City Clerk was able to finish typing it.

Councilwoman Paiz gave an overview of the purpose of this subcommittee and that they do not intend to completely revise the Charter, just potentially make some amendments that could be put before the voters in the future.

Councilwoman Williams commented on the lunch that was provided for the employees of the City saying that it was nice and well attended. She also mentioned that she is grateful that the zoom meeting time has been changed to 5:00 so that she is able to attend. Lastly she said that even if or when the Governor suspends the Stay at Home order that everyone be mindful of social distancing.

Councilwoman Kindle reminded everyone who hasn't answered the Census questions that they do so as it is imperative that everyone be counted. She also mentioned that she is currently involved in a pop-up pantry and that she will update everyone when the plans are finalized.

Councilwoman Lyons thanked all who participated and arranged the employees' luncheon, including Rex's Deli, Sweetheart Bakery and Commissioner Killeen and all of the

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volunteers. She also mentioned the Zoom coffee hour that has been scheduled and that Judge Palmer would be attending.

Councilwoman Costantino gave praise to the acting City Manager as this meeting was very finance oriented and that there were some tough monetary decisions made tonight, but that they would help out the community in the future.

Councilwoman Paiz also mentioned that with the Census information provided by our residents that the City receives federal funds for each person counted and that we rely heavily on these funds. She then added that she would like to see some information on the website about the reopening plan for City Hall.

Mayor Poynter reminded everyone that the Council only meets one time during the summer months and that the meetings are held on the second Monday. He then mentioned recent statistics regarding Harper Woods and the COVID pandemic. He shared that 30 deaths have been reported, however he has only been made aware of 28, of which 14 were male and 14 were female. Nineteen were African American and of those 8 were male and 11 were female. He then shared that he agrees with the Governor about social distancing saying that it's 'six feet apart or 6 feet under', and that we should be thinking of we, not me which is so important to remember now and always.

CM 05-83-20

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 6:37 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 8, 2020

MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 5:00 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 (5:04p.m.).

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Acting City Manager John Szymanski, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 06-84-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Costantino:
To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held May 18, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 06-85-20

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, 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 119369 through 119522 in the amount of \$616,659.29 as submitted by the Acting City Manager and acting 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 \$28,076.20 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of April 2020.
3. approve payment to Michigan Supreme Court Finance in the amount of \$5,301.98 for software support on the district court's computer system.
4. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,257.25 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of June 2020.
5. approve payment to Plante & Moran in the amount of \$13,220.00 for the professional services performed in conjunction with the 2019 audit.
6. approve payment to CBIZ Benefits and Insurance Services, Inc. in the amount of \$15,000.00 for professional services.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 06-86-20

MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE - WORKERS'
COMPENSATION FUND RENEWAL

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve payment to Michigan Municipal League Worker's Compensation Fund in the amount of \$34,370.00 for workers' compensation insurance from July 1, 2020 through July 1, 2021 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, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter and Costantino.
NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 06-87-20 ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIALLY DISTRESSED CITIES GRANT
CITY HALL REPLACEMENT WINDOWS

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

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 \$202,000.00 toward the City Hall Replacement Windows project and further to authorize

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

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter, Costantino and Kindle.
NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 06-88-20 ACCEPTANCE OF FINANCIALLY DISTRESSED CITIES GRANT
WATER METER REPLACEMENT PROGRAM CONTINUATION

RESOLUTION by Lyons, 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 \$315,135.00 toward the continuation of the water meter replacement project and further to authorize the Acting City Manager to sign all of the necessary documents required by the State of Michigan.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle and Lyons.
NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 06-89-20 ANNUAL PERMIT TO WORK ON COUNTY ROADS

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

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: Sawicki, Williams, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Lyons and Paiz.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

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CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Calus asked for additional explanation of the Safebuilt invoices and then asked about Eastland. He questioned what they were doing there, without paying the water, electric or taxes. He then stated many residents are concerned about the financial state of the City. Lastly he mentioned that the community was not given any notice about the get together at Eastland to support Black Lives Matter and further stated that the city doesn't communicate with the residents through Nixle or other means.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilwoman Paiz commented about the caravan of cars supporting Black Lives Matter stating that it went well, however she was angry that the people that organized this event didn't notify anyone at City Hall or at Eastland and said she thinks that this was completely disrespectful to Harper Woods. She then added that she would like to know what is going on at Eastland and the businesses.

Councilwoman Sawicki shared information about 8Can'tWait, an organization that is asking police departments around the country to take action against use of force policies and to review other policies and procedures moving forward and felt that it would be something that our administration should look at. She said that she knows our police officers have very good interaction with the community and that they are very respectful and she would like to see them give a statement of some kind that shows they recognize the importance of respect between the police and the community they serve. Perhaps this could be done in a Nixle message to our residents.

Councilwoman Kindle shared that she prepared a resolution that she would like to see the

members of Council look at to determine if it is something that they could stand behind as it relates to the turmoil our country is in right now. She stated that she would like to see it on the next meeting agenda to be voted on.

Councilwoman Lyons stated that she would also like to see a declaration of a commitment to anti-racism in this community and that she has put together a document that could be integrated into what Councilwoman Kindle has prepared that would speak to the hard work this community has done in working toward building a unified message of togetherness. She further stated that there is a lot of work ahead to dismantle systems of injustice and to build anti-racist systems around the country.

Councilwoman Costantino commented that perhaps a motion could be made now to adopt a broad statement against discrimination of any sort and how our city works to be educated and supports inclusion of all sorts, with the details to be worked out later for our July meeting.

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Mayor Poynter said that he feels that it would be best to have a more comprehensive resolution that could encompass all that has been said tonight, and that our attorney could review to be placed on the July meeting agenda. He then said that he thinks that Councilwoman Kindle is off to an excellent start with this resolution and adding what Councilwomen Costantino and Lyons have stated we will have a really strong statement to put out into the community.

Councilwoman Costantino updated everyone about the Crime Reduction Law Enforcement committee and the postponing of the workshops that were scheduled with a new date of September 17 as a public safety workshop. She then shared that if anyone is interested in serving on this committee they should contact her and that the next meeting is July 16.

Councilwoman Kindle mentioned that she had an issue with DTE recently when she noticed a line down that was sparking. She attempted to contact them to report this issue and was unable to get through to them. She suggested that DTE implement an alternate emergency line for reporting these types of situations and that she planned to share these concerns with the MPSC.

Mayor Poynter commented about the positive changes he has seen on Kelly Road, with the exception of a couple of businesses that are not taking care of their property and that he will be turning their names into SafeBuilt for code enforcement. He then mentioned the caravan at Eastland saying that even with little information prior to the event, it was quite successful. The police were in attendance and they did a great job. He then commented on his attendance at a meeting with the president and vice president of the NAACP and several city managers. He went on to say that they are planning monthly meetings moving forward to keep an open line of communication, in the event something begins to brew in

the communities, to be able to get together, talk about it and help one another. Additionally, he mentioned that the Seniors of Harper Woods High School are planning a car parade for Saturday, June 13 at 11:00 a.m. He suggested that the Ordinance committee look at preparing an ordinance that would require permission from the Council to hold such events as there currently isn't one on the books. In the past a courtesy letter would be provided, but he feels that the Council should be notified in advance so that they can approve or deny it and also to be prepared for it, especially in the current state of our country. Lastly he commented on the Pop-up Pantry that was recently held saying that it was quite successful, with an outstanding turnout and that Councilwoman Kindle did an outstanding job putting this event together. He finished with a quote from Martin Luther King Jr. as he feels it is extremely appropriate in these times, "Our lives begin to end the day we become silent about things that matter."

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CM 06-90-20

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 6:12 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 29, 2020

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The Special City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 5:00 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: Acting City Manager John Szymanski, City Attorney
Sharon DeWaele, Attorney John Gilooly, City Clerk
Leslie M. Frank and Public Safety Director Vince Smith.

CM 06-91-20

EXECUTIVE SESSION -LITIGATION DISCUSSION

MOTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:
To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of a litigation discussion.

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 5:03 p.m. and reconvened at 5:45 p.m.

CALL TO AUDIENCE

No comments were made.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilmember Williams stated that she would have liked to have seen something put out on the City's behalf regarding the recent death in our lockup. She also mentioned that she is in favor of creating a subcommittee to prepare a resolution with regard to racial equality and justice.

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Councilmember Lyons mentioned the equality workshops that she is spearheading for the community to discuss issues surrounding our community and asked if her involvement in them was advised.

Mayor Poynter commented that he recently called and met with the organizer of a peaceful protest group and that their meeting was very positive and productive. Their group is very interested in staying involved with the community by helping residents get registered to vote and also being a part of the National Night Out.

Councilmember Kindle commented on her attendance at this meeting with the Mayor and said that this group of young people really want to make a difference and she was glad to have met with them.

CM 06-92-20

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

That the agenda of the special City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
JULY 13, 2020

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, Vivian Sawicki and Regina Williams.

ABSENT: Councilperson Veronica Paiz

OTHERS PRESENT: Acting City Manager John Szymanski, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 07-93-20

EXCUSE COUNCILMEMBER PAIZ

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Kindle:
To excuse Councilperson Paiz from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Paiz

MOTION CARRIED

CM 07-94-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the special City Council meeting held June 8, 2020 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meetings held April 27, May 26, and June 3, 2020, the Planning Commission meetings held June 2, and June 24, 2020, and the Board of Zoning Appeals meeting held June 10, 2020.

ABSENT: Paiz

MOTION CARRIED

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PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Calus inquired about the new water meters and asked when every home will have them. He also commented about SafeBuilt and asked why he couldn't get any assistance on a leaning garage issue. He then asked why the city was billed for permits issued when the City and Safebuilt were closed due to COVID.

CM 07-95-20

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 through in the amount of \$ as submitted by the Acting City Manager and acting 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 \$10,273.66 for the month of May and \$24,132.09 for the month of June for professional services for the following projects: Beaconsfield Resurfacing, #180-231; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; 2020 Pavement Joint/Crack Sealing, #180-226; Emergency Storm Sewer Repair, #180-229; 2019 Emergency Sanitary Sewer CCTV, #180-233; 2020 User Charge, #180-234; AT&T Tower Modification, #180-235; City Hall Roof, #180-236 and the Stormwater Asset Management Proj. #180-202.
3. approve payment to Plante & Moran in the amount of \$26,060.00 for the professional services performed in conjunction with the 2019 audit.
4. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$12,710.00 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of May 2020.
5. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,354.33 for the contractual

- assessing services performed during the month of July 2020.
6. approve payment in the amount of \$9,050.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with storm cleanup, several watermain breaks and water service repairs at various residential locations.
 7. approve payment to Badger Meter, Inc. in the amount of \$24,661.88 for the purchase of 100 new 5/8" Orion automatic read water meters.
 8. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$19,908.45 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.
 9. to approve payment to Intrado Life and Safety Solutions in the amount of \$9,150.00 for the equipment needed for the 911 upgrade, with 911 grant money to be used for this purchase.

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ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Sawicki, Williams and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Paiz

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 07-96-20 SPECIAL LAND USE - 20924 HARPER;
NARROW PATH CHRISTIAN CHURCH

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Kindle:

BE IT RESOLVED to deny the Special Land Use application submitted by Kevin Bruinsma on behalf of Narrow Path Christian Church to operate a church at 20924 Harper Avenue pursuant to the Planning Commission's findings and recommendation.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Kindle, Lyons, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Paiz

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 07-97-20 SPECIAL LAND USE - 20839 LENNON;
GROSSE POINTE ANIMAL ADOPTION SOCIETY

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the request submitted by Corinne Martin on behalf of Grosse

Pointe Animal Adoption Society to utilize the vacant property at 20839 Lennon as an outdoor exercise/socialization area for dogs that are up for adoption pursuant to the Planning Commission's recommendation.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

NO: Lyons

ABSENT: Paiz

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 07-98-20 OPEN PUBLIC HEARING - PROPOSED LOT SPLIT
19360 HARPER AVENUE - STARR COMMONWEALTH

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MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:
to open the Public Hearing on the proposed lot split at 19360 Harper Avenue.

ABSENT: Paiz

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC HEARING

Councilwoman Sawicki asked if Park Place was notified of this as there is a empty field adjacent to their property.

Councilwoman Costantino asked where the Distinctive Prep students would play if the field is sold or re-developed.

Councilwoman Kindle asked what the goal is for the property and what are the future plans for these parcels

Mr. Mellen, representative for Starr Commonwealth stated that the school is requesting this lot split in order to sell the school property (including the parking lot and the playground) to an investment company with an intent to lease it back on a long term lease agreement, in order to gain additional money from the sale for education purposes. The only change to the properties is the name on the deed. He also stated that there are no plans to develop the land.

CM 07-99-20 CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING - PROPOSED LOT SPLIT

Mr. Szymanski stated that the tax revenue received by this business is about \$59,000 per year, with the school district getting about \$15,000-\$16,000.

Councilwoman Kindle mentioned that even though we receive the tax money from them, it isn't worth it if our community isn't safe.

Councilwoman Lyons asked if the Community Development Director could seek out some investors to invest in this property.

Mr. Calus commented that the Inn used to be a nice place and also noted that there are only about 10 actual cases with the police department each year and regardless of the runs there, they do pay their share of the taxes. He would not like to see them shut down as there are no hotels in our city or even nearby. He suggested that the laws should just be enforced there.

Councilwoman Sawicki suggested notifying the owners that the Council wishes to shut

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them down as a means to force them to make changes to their policies.

Attorney DeWaele then stated that at the next Council meeting the process of revoking the business license could take place and that between now and then, the City could reach out to the owners and have a meeting to discuss the concerns. That would be a good strategy moving forward.

CM 07-101-20 RESOLUTION - GREAT LAKES WATER AUTHORITY (GLWA)

RESOLUTION by Williams, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the Resolution to Concur in the Rules and Regulations Concerning Industrial Pretreatment Program that were adopted by the Great Lakes Water Authority.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Sawicki, Williams, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle and Lyons.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Paiz

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 07-102-20

PROGRESS PAYMENT NO.1 - 2020 STORM
SEWER OPEN CUT REPAIRS, #180-229

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Williams:
BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Great Lakes Contracting Solutions, LLC, in the amount of \$47,427.86 for Progress Payment No. 1 on the 2020 Storm Sewer Open Cut Repairs Project, #180-229.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Williams, Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Lyons and Sawicki.
NO: None.
ABSENT: Paiz

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

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CM 07-103-20 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO.1 - 2020 PAVEMENT
JOINT/CRACK SEALING PROJECT, #180-226

RESOLUTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:
BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Michigan Joint Sealing, Inc. in the amount of \$44,407.46 for Progress Payment No. 1 on the 2020 Pavement Joint/Crack Sealing Project, #180-226.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Poynter, Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Sawicki and Williams.
NO: None.
ABSENT: Paiz

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 07-104-20 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO.1 - SANITARY SEWER
CLEANING AND CCTV INVESTIGATION, #180-233

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:
BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Doetsch Environmental Services, in the amount of \$6,079.50 for Progress Payment No. 1 on the Sanitary Sewer Cleaning and CCTV Investigation, #180-233.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Sawicki, Williams and Poynter.
NO: None.
ABSENT: Paiz

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 07-105-20

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE -
UPGRADE TO CITY SECURITY SYSTEM

RESOLUTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Williams:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the proposal from Pointe Alarm for the purchase and installation of a complete upgrade of security systems at City Hall, Library, District Court and Public Works in the amount of \$98,497.00 to be made in three annual installments. The upgrades include employee card access to all doors, replacement of CCTV cameras at DPW, the Library, and City Hall with several additional cameras, an intercom system upgrade in the dispatch area, panic/alarm buttons in several areas of the Court, upgrade

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to audio/visual system in the interrogation room and microphones to be added in conjunction with surveillance cameras in the lobby, courtroom and prisoner cell area.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Kindle, Lyons, Sawicki, Williams, Poynter and Costantino.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Paiz

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 07-106-20

ADD ITEM TO THE AGENDA - DISCUSSION OF
FORMING A PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

MOTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

to add an item to the agenda, discussion of forming a Public Safety Commission.

ABSENT: Paiz

MOTION CARRIED

DISCUSSION OF FORMING A PUBLIC SAFETY COMMISSION

Director Smith shared that this is a separate committee from the Crime Prevention Committee in that policies and training items will be discussed. The Community Policing

Concept recommends that communities have this commission in place.

Councilwoman Sawicki asked if the vetting procedure for this committee would be similar to that of other committees, where the subcommittee of the City Council interviews the volunteer prior to them being placed. She stated she would prefer that this be the case.

Mayor Poynter directed the Director to seek out other communities and their processes and share the information with the Council and then they can proceed.

Councilwoman Lyons shared that she feels that this formation is timely and that she doesn't want to see the community involved in the turmoil that is happening in other states and cities. She also said that she feels the Director is committed to and is very visible in our community and she would like to be a part of this commission. This is a great first step to show the community the Council's commitment also.

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CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Calus commented on the basketball court and how great the kids are doing. He shared that Vegas market on Kelly is getting a makeover. He mentioned the Public Safety Commission and that he would like to be a part of it. He also shared that he does not like that call to audience is comment only, he would like answers to his questions and transparency. He then shared that his Facebook page has been rated the best, due to not having drama, bias or racism and that it speaks of only positive things. There are more than 1000 members currently. He asked about the Ordinances posted on the website and stated that they are not updated frequently enough. Lastly he asked about Eastland and stated that DTE is planning to shut them off and that their taxes haven't been paid.

Superintendent Snyder thanked Council for the support on the recent purchase of the new trucks and gave an overview of the current projects going on in the city.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilmember Costantino commented about the recent Council Tribute that was prepared for Rev. Dr. Shipley, founder of Chandler Park Academy, who recently passed away. She also mentioned that she was saddened to hear that Kelvin Wheeler, Dean of Students at the middle school, was recently shot and killed in a drive-by shooting.

Councilwoman Williams thanked the public for being involved in their community and participating in these meetings.

Mayor Poynter reiterated in agreement what Councilwoman Williams said. He then suggested that a resident should come prepared with their comments and that three minutes is what is offered as policy. He also suggested that if someone has a specific question, that they should contact the City during business hours to get their questions answered, rather than expect an answer during a meeting.

Mr. Calus asked if he could make another comment, and said that he is seeking Council support for the Facebook “Harper Woods Buy Nothing Project” and asked that something about this page be included in the next newsletter.

Councilwoman Lyons mentioned that she would like to see more community relations as a means to having a more united community and said she would like to advocate for an official Facebook page of the City.

CM 07-107-20

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

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That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

ABSENT: Paiz

MOTION CARRIED

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

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JULY 27, 2020

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The Special City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Kenneth A. Poynter at 5:00 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) Valerie Kindle, Ernestine Lyons, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki and Regina Williams.

ABSENT: Mayor Pro tem Cheryl Costantino

OTHERS PRESENT: Acting City Manager John Szymanski, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele, Attorneys Ken Wilson and Todd Perkins, City Clerk Leslie M. Frank and Public Safety Director Vince Smith and Reverend Harville.

CM 07-108-20

EXCUSE MAYOR PRO TEM COSTANTINO

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Lyons:
To excuse Mayor Pro tem Costantino from tonight's meeting because of a prior commitment.

ABSENT: Costantino

CM 07-109-20 EXECUTIVE SESSION - COLLECTIVE BARGAINING MATTER

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Williams:
To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing a collective bargaining matter.

ABSENT: Costantino

MOTION CARRIED

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 5:02 p.m. and reconvened at 5:15 p.m.

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CM 07-110-20 ADD ITEM TO AGENDA -
HAZARD PAY FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:
To add to the agenda Approval of Hazard Pay for First Responders.

ABSENT: Costantino

MOTION CARRIED

CM 07-111-20 APPROVAL OF HAZARD PAY FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Kindle:
To approve the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Harper Woods and the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP), the Local No. 1188 International Association of Fire Fighters, (IAFF) and the Command Officers Association of Michigan (COAM) providing additional compensation referred to as Hazardous Duty Pay, in a one-time, one lump sum in the amount of \$1,000.00, as a result of the global pandemic, and further, to authorize the acting City Manager to sign the agreement.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams and Poynter.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 07-112-20 EXECUTIVE SESSION - PERSONNEL MATTER

MOTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter.

ABSENT: Costantino

MOTION CARRIED

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 5:21 p.m. and reconvened at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilwoman Paiz asked if City Manager Rheker has been in contact with Mr. Szymanski
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during his military absence. (The acting City Manager stated that he copies to him all emails and other correspondences that are sent to the Council and those to the various department managers so that he is able to keep in the loop with what is happening here.) She further stated that she is concerned the acting City Manager doesn't have the experience of being a City Manager and asked if the financial responsibilities he has are suffering.

Councilwoman Lyons asked for clarification of the previous Deputy City Manager position and offered that perhaps we could hire someone to fill that position as a means of additional support to the acting City Manager.

Councilwoman Paiz commented that the City Manager's contract is due to expire in March of 2021 and that renewal plans need to be made soon.

Councilwoman Kindle commented that while he is on military duty, his contract can't be changed or terminated.

Councilwoman Sawicki asked if there was any word as to when we would be receiving the medical reports on the passing of Ms. Slater.

Councilwoman Williams commented on the emergency repairs to the air conditioning at City Hall and asked about the warrantees and what would be covered and for how long.

Councilwoman Sawicki asked when the new City Hall sign would be up and working.

Mayor Poynter shared the recent event that Councilwoman Kindle helped to organize with a group of young people to encourage voter registration saying that it was very well done.

CM 07-113-20

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Kindle, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

That the agenda of the special City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

ABSENT: Costantino

MOTION CARRIED

KENNETH A. POYNTER, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

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AUGUST 3, 2020

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The Special City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro tem Cheryl Costantino at 5:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Pro tem Cheryl Costantino, Councilperson(s) Valerie Kindle, Ernestine Lyons, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki and Regina Williams.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Acting City Manager John Szymanski, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 08-114-20

RESIGNATION OF MAYOR

MOTION by Williams, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To accept, with regret, the letter from Ken Poynter resigning his position as Mayor.

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 08-115-20

CITY COUNCIL VACANCY

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

To appoint an interim Mayor and further, 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 September 4, 2020 and to schedule a Special City Council meeting for September 14, 2020 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: Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki and Williams.

NO: None.

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RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

Councilwoman Paiz nominated Councilwoman Kindle to be interim Mayor and shared the many qualifications she possesses and her involvement with the community.

Councilwoman Sawicki also shared her support for Councilwoman Kindle and shared reasons why she is supporting her for Mayor.

Discussion was had regarding the procedure of filling the vacancy of Mayor. It is outlined in Section 5.7(a) of the City Charter as follows: Vacancies occurring in the office of Mayor shall, within sixty days, be filled for the balance of the unexpired term of the Mayor by appointment by a majority vote of the members of the council then in office of a member of the council. This is different from an absence of the Mayor as outlined in Section 4.4 (e): In the absence or disability of the Mayor, the Mayor Pro tem shall perform the duties of the Mayor.

Councilwoman Williams nominated herself for the position of Mayor and Councilwoman Lyons gave her support. Councilwoman Williams then shared her qualifications and reasons she would like to be considered for this position.

City Council then voted for candidates as follows:

VOTE NO. 1

Valerie Kindle 3 votes Councilwoman Kindle, Councilwoman Paiz and Councilwoman Sawicki.

Regina Williams 3 votes Councilwoman Costantino, Councilwoman Lyons and Councilwoman Williams.

VOTE NO. 2

Regina Williams 3 votes Councilwoman Costantino, Councilwoman Lyons and Councilwoman Williams.

Valerie Kindle 3 votes Councilwoman Kindle, Councilwoman Paiz and Councilwoman Sawicki.

Following two rounds of voting and a tie vote each time, it was suggested that additional information be provided about each candidate and their qualifications.

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VOTE NO. 3

Valerie Kindle 3 votes Councilwoman Kindle, Councilwoman Paiz and Councilwoman Sawicki.

Regina Williams 3 votes Councilwoman Costantino, Councilwoman Lyons and Councilwoman Williams.

A third round of voting also resulted in a tie vote.

Councilwoman Williams stated that she will withdraw her nomination and further stated that she would not vote in the next round.

Therefore, Councilwoman Kindle received three votes so no further votes were necessary.

OATH OF OFFICE - CITY COUNCIL MEMBER

The City Clerk administered the oath of office to the newly appointed Mayor, Valerie Kindle.

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Ms. Rutledge congratulated Mayor Kindle and shared that she has know her and worked with her for many years and that she will do a great job as Mayor.

Mr. Blackwell commented about the use of non-city issued emails for the councilmembers and advised them they should only be using city-issued emails for city use.

Ms. Love congratulated Mayor Kindle and commented that she has known her for a long time, she always gives good advice and that she will do great as Mayor.

Mr. Sawicki congratulated Mayor Kindle and offered that he will support her in any way he can.

Mr. Alexander also shared his congratulations and that he was happy with the choice made tonight and encouraged Council to stick with it and work together.

Mr. Calus congratulated Mayor Kindle and shared that many residents are still healing over the events in the community and that he plans to keep attending meetings as the city moves forward.

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CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilwoman Paiz commented that in her opinion today has shown that there is a great diversity of councilmembers with the aptitude and experience and all of the positive factors in everyone here. She further stated that the community should be proud of the council as each one has a great concern for this City and the support that has been shown for Mayor Kindle.

Councilwoman Sawicki thanked Councilwoman Williams for her remarkable act of withdrawing herself from being considered for the position of Mayor stating that it was very noble and likely difficult, but it helped to move forward and to continue the great working relationship Council has. She also stated that she was appreciative of Mr. Blackwell's comments about using personal email accounts and stated that she has asked city administration to create emails for all councilmembers so that no one would be in violation of FOIA.

Councilwoman Williams congratulated Mayor Kindle saying that she has always admired and respected her and further stated that she would always be behind whomever is leading this community.

Councilwoman Lyons congratulated Mayor Kindle and urged her to continue with listening to all voices and perspectives and continue to collaborate with all. She further shared former Mayor Poynter's words of wisdom, "it is we, not me" and that we forge ahead and learn from mistakes of the past and blaze new trails with a fresh perspective.

Councilmember Costantino congratulated Mayor Kindle and said she hopes that she focuses as Mayor on healing and rebuilding the community. She further stated that would like to ensure to all who live and work here are treated fairly and that is a priority as well as increasing transparency, creating jobs and economic development. Lastly she said that she is looking forward to make Harper Woods stronger than ever.

Mr. Poynter commented that this has been a long road for Mayor Kindle as he began encouraging her many years ago to run for office and now she has been appointed as Mayor. He further stated onward and upward and continue to work together as a Council.

Mayor Kindle shared that her mandate has always been unification and that we can only move forward as a team, working together and maintaining that unity. She commented that Mr. Poynter is and always has been the epitome of inclusion and her intent is to continue to work in this way in her endeavors. Finally she thanked Councilwoman Williams for stepping back to that we can all move forward.

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CM 08-116-20

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

That the agenda of the special City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 6:14 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VALERIE KINDLE, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 10, 2020

MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Valerie Kindle at 5:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Valerie Kindle, Mayor Pro tem Cheryl A. Costantino, Councilperson(s) Ernestine Lyons, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki and Regina Williams.

ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Acting City Manager John Szymanski, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 08-117-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held July 13,

2020 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Special City Council meeting held on June 29, 2020, Special City Council meeting held on July 27, 2020, Election Commission meeting held on July 13, 2020, and the Board of Review meeting held on July 21, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Calus commented that the residents still have had no answer regarding Safebuilt and their invoice of \$24,000 back when they were supposed to be closed during COVID. The residents deserve to know where their money is going.

Mr. Selburn questioned what has happened with the Parkcrest Inn and why has it disappeared off of the agenda. (The acting City Manager shared that discussions have been held between the owner and the Public Safety Director, the Mayor, City Attorney and

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himself to correct the issues and that the owner is working closely with the police department.)

CM 08-118-20

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 119710 through 119920 in the amount of \$1,218,886.25 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 \$282,781.45 for the operation and maintenance of the Milk River Drain for July through September 2020 and \$88,960.98 for the City's proportionate share of the funding of the construction project for a total of \$371,742.43.
3. approve payment to Optimum Contracting Solutions, Inc. in the amount of \$12,875.00 for the renovations and repair work at 19960 Lancaster as part of the CDBG rehab loan project.
4. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$34,403.60 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of June 2020.
5. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,354.33 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of August 2020.
6. approve payment to Elaine Frost, P.C. in the amount of \$9,847.50 for the professional services provided by the arbitrator in the Act 312 arbitration proceedings.

7. approve payment to Core and Main in the amount of \$6,230.19 for the purchase of water main and water system repair parts.
8. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$15,054.24 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 mainbreak restorations and lawn cuttings at various residential homes.
9. approve payment in the amount of \$9,200.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several watermain breaks at various residential locations.
10. approve payment to Oakland County Information Technology in the amount of \$6,865.75 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the Police Department.
11. approve payment to Greater Detroit Heating and Cooling in the amount of \$14,502.95 for the emergency repairs to the A/C compressor unit at City Hall.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Costantino, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams and Kindle.

NO: None.

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RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 08-119-20

2019 AUDIT PRESENTATION

MOTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To Receive and File the 2019 Audit/Financial Report as submitted by the City's Auditors, Plante & Moran and also receive and file their management report.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 08-120-20

2020 CONCRETE PAVEMENT REPAIR PROJECT, #180-204

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the extension of the 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair Project as submitted by L. Anthony in the amount not to exceed \$50,000.00 for 2020.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Kindle and Costantino.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 08-121-20

PURCHASE OF FIREARMS

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the purchase of forty (40) Glock 45 handguns and the necessary accessories from C.M.P. Distributors, Inc. in the amount of \$33,062.50, with \$15,030.00 to be applied to this balance as store credit and \$13,680.00 to be applied as a trade-in amount, for a final total cost of \$4,352.50.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Kindle, Costantino and Lyons.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

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CM 08-122-20

HEALTH CARE MODIFICATIONS AND WAGE
INCREASES FOR EXEMPT EMPLOYEES

RESOLUTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the modification of the terms of all full-time, union exempt employees' agreements with regard to active members health care benefits to be consistent with those benefits provided all other union employees, and further to authorize wage increases for all full-time union exempt employees including a one-time bonus for the following positions: Deputy Finance Director, Deputy Treasurer, City Clerk, Economic and Community Development Director, Library Director, Librarian, Administrative Assistant to the DPW Superintendent and the Director of Public Safety.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Sawicki, Williams, Kindle, Costantino, Lyons and Paiz.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 08-123-20

MILK RIVER BOND ISSUANCE

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED to join the member communities of the Milk River Drain Board and approve the issuance of bonds to generate approximately \$6,385,000.00 in cost overruns for the Milk River Improvement Project to be paid out over a twenty (20) year span.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Williams, Kindle, Costantino, Lyons, Paiz and Sawicki.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 08-124-20 DESIGNATION OF VOTING DELEGATES - MICHIGAN
MUNICIPAL LEAGUE CONFERENCE

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

To designate Mayor Kindle as the City's official delegate, and Mayor Pro tem Costantino as the alternate delegate at the Michigan Municipal League's Annual Meeting to be held September 29 through October 2, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Selburn stated he was concerned that the three votes that were received in favor of Mayor Kindle are not a majority vote of the Council. He also inquired if the City was enforcing overnight parking and no one on his block has been ticketed. He is also concerned about PA33 and that he may get enough signatures for this to have the voters decide if we should continue assessing 20 mills to the residents. Lastly he suggested that the Parkcrest Inn could assess a room tax as a means to tax non-residents who stay there.

Mr. Calus commented on the Plante Moran audit presentation and that we may be moving in the right direction. He also asked about Eastland and if they are in arrears with the City and will that revenue be collected or lost.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilwoman Sawicki noted the City sign is up, but not running and asked for an update. She then asked about the scheduled Ordinance Committee meeting for August 17 with an item on the agenda regarding marijuana, stating that she thought that this has been discussed already at previous meetings.

Councilwoman Lyons commented that if the city were considering marijuana facilities that we should put relative ordinances in place prior to that.

Councilwoman Paiz commented on the voting process for the selection of Mayor Kindle

and shared her recollection of what took place. She also mentioned the community policing committee that has been recently formed and she is interested in being a part of this. Lastly she asked if the Planning Commission Facebook page could be taken down as it is an unofficial Harper Woods page and if nothing else, the Harper Woods logo should be removed.

Councilwoman Williams asked about the Charter subcommittee and where they are at in the process of making some revisions due to the confusion in the past about the selection of Mayor Pro tem and the selection of the Mayor and all of the interpretations of what is written.

Councilwoman Paiz suggested that the Charter subcommittee needs to be reorganized. Also, she doesn't have an issue understanding the Charter with regard to the selection of the Mayor and asked the City Attorney to provide her opinion on this matter.

Mayor Pro tem Costantino commented on the scheduled Ordinance Committee meeting and stated that since neither she nor Councilwoman Sawicki aren't able to attend couldn't

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it be rescheduled and that she has been part of the discussion about marijuana facilities many times previously and asked why the rush for this meeting to happen. She then shared that there is a lot of talent on this current Council, with education and financial backgrounds, and as such can offer the City no cost help, if necessary with budget preparations.

Councilwoman Lyons shared that she thinks that Harper Woods and the residents are amazing and everyone is doing amazing things, including a mini musical concert on Littlestone that she attended and a small police parade for a 6-year-old birthday and stated that she is thankful to the residents who have stepped up during these times.

CM 08-125-20

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Paiz, 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.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VALERIE KINDLE, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 25, 2020

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The Special City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Valerie Kindle at 5:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Valerie Kindle, Mayor Pro tem Cheryl A. Costantino
Councilperson(s) Ernestine Lyons, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki and
Regina Williams.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Acting City Manager John Szymanski, City Attorney
Sharon DeWaele, Attorney Ken Wilson, Attorney John
Gilooly, City Clerk Leslie M. Frank and Public Safety
Director Vince Smith.

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Williams:

To adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing pending litigation; COAM v. City of Harper Woods and Jobs for Harper Woods, et. al., v. City of Harper Woods, et.al. and to discuss a collective bargaining issue and a legal opinion on a personnel matter.

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

The City Council adjourned to Executive Session at 5:03 p.m. and reconvened at 7:10 p.m.

CALL TO AUDIENCE

No comments were made.

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CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilwoman Paiz commented that she is concerned to find out that the City Manager Rheker has not been in contact with City Officials or department managers. She would like correspondence prepared and sent to him to address these concerns.

CM 08-127-20

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

That the agenda of the special City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

ABSENT: Sawicki and Williams (left at 7:00 p.m.)

MOTION CARRIED

VALERIE KINDLE, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

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CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 9, 2020

MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Valerie Kindle at 5:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Valerie Kindle, Mayor Pro tem Cheryl A. Costantino, Councilperson(s) Ernestine Lyons, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki and Regina Williams (5:03 pm)

ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Acting City Manager John Szymanski, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on August 10, 2020 the Special City Council meeting held on August 3, 2020 and the Special City Council meeting held on August 25, 2020 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held on June 18, 2020 and Ordinance Committee meeting held on August 17, 2020.

NO: Paiz

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Calus commented about the minutes from the August 10, 2020 City Council meeting, stating his comments were not accurately noted. (The City Clerk advised that according to the Open Meetings Act, the only required content of the minutes is the accurate accounting of the decisions made by City Council, not public comments.) He further commented that he feels that his comments have been ignored with regard to SafeBuilt's billing to the City. He also stated that he has an issue that they are closed on Fridays as

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well. (Councilwoman Williams suggested that he take his concerns directly to the City Manager to be addressed.)

CM 09-129-20

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

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

1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 119921 through 120158 in the amount of \$813,649.21 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 \$26,711.20 for professional services during the month of July 2020 for the following projects: 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; 2020 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-239; 2020 Pavement Joint/Crack Sealing, #180-226; 2019 Emergency Sanitary Sewer CCTV, #180-229; 2020 Sanitary Sewer CCTV, #180-233; Stormwater Asset Mgmt, #180-202; Kelly Road Ped. Crossing, #180-208; AT&T Tower, #180-235; Lead Water Svc. Repl. #180-238 and Everstream, #180-237.
3. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$37,520.20 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of July 2020.
4. approve payment to Weatherseal Home Improvements Inc. in the amount of \$8,894.00 for the renovations and repair work at 19380 Washtenaw as part of the

- CDBG rehab loan project
5. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,354.33 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of September 2020.
 6. approve payment to Simplified Business Solutions in the amount of \$26,686.73 for the email hosting, security and backups of our computer system for the months of June, July and August, IT support services, upgrades for the court required by the State of Michigan LEIN audit, the renewal of our firewall, and the purchase of a new Port Switch that was damaged in a recent storm
 7. approve payment to Badger Meter, Inc. in the amount of \$15,439.02 for the purchase of new 5/8" Orion automatic read water meters, with the cost being reimbursed by Grant funds
 8. approve payment in the amount of \$14,000.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several watermain breaks and replacement of stop boxes at various residential locations.
 9. approve payment to Michigan Supreme Court Finance in the amount of \$5,301.98 for software support on the district court's computer system and SOS/Lein fees.
 10. approve payment in the amount of \$38,134.37 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 through December 20, 2019 and January 1 through

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11. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$6,783.60 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.
12. approve payment to BS & A Software in the amount of \$11,128.00 for the various accounting and billing system software for the period August 2020 through August 2021.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Costantino, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams and Kindle.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 09-130-20

PARKCREST INN - STATUS UPDATE

MOTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

to receive and file the information packet provided by the attorney of the Parkcrest Inn and allow an additional 30 days, beginning September 10, 2020, to determine if the corrective actions that have been put into place by the Operations Manager of the Parkcrest Inn will have a positive impact on the safety of our community and further that security officers be

more visible and to place additional signage to prohibit parking on any sidewalk for patrons or guests of the Inn.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 09-131-20 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 1 - 2020 CONCRETE
 PAVEMENT REPAIR PROJECT, #180-239

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:
BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to L. Anthony Construction in the amount of \$41,073.34 for Progress Payment No. 1 on the 2020 Concrete Pavement Repair project, #180-239.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Kindle and Costantino.
NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

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CM 09-132-20 PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 2 - SANITARY SEWER
 CLEANING AND CCTV INVESTIGATION, #180-233.

RESOLUTION by Williams, SUPPORTED by Costantino:
BE IT RESOLVED to approve payment to Doetsch Environmental Services in the amount of \$41,089.50 for Progress Payment No. 2 on the Sanitary Sewer Cleaning & CCTV Investigation, #180-233.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Kindle, Costantino and Lyons.
NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 09-133-20 PROFESSIONALSERVICES AGREEMENT
 SAFEBUILT MICHIGAN LLC

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:
BE IT RESOLVED to approve the renewal of a five-year agreement for professional services between the City of Harper Woods and SAFEbuilt Michigan, LLC and further, to authorize the Acting City Manager to sign the agreement.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Sawicki, Kindle, Costantino and Paiz.

NO: Lyons and Williams.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 09-134-20 RENEWAL OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES
AGREEMENT - HYDROCORP

RESOLUTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Williams:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the one-year extension of the Cross Connection Control Program with HydroCorp, Inc. in the amount of \$6,000 to be paid in 12 equal monthly payments of \$500, and further that the acting City Manager be authorized to sign the agreement.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Williams, Kindle, Costantino, Lyons, Paiz and Sawicki.

NO: None.

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RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 09-135-20 CITY HALL ROOF REPLACEMENT

RESOLUTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED accept the lowest qualified bid submitted by Royal Roofing in the amount of \$248,690.00 for the removal and replacement of both upper and lower elevations of City Hall with 20 year, 60 mil EDM rubber roofing, and further that the surplus bond proceeds be utilized for this project.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Kindle, Costantino, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki and Williams.

NO: None

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 09-136-20 CITY HALL STEAM BOILER REPLACEMENT

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the lowest, qualified bid submitted by Supreme Heating and Cooling, LLC in the amount of \$84,680.00 for the removal and replacement of the steam

boiler at City Hall.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Costantino, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams and Kindle.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 09-137-20

CITY HALL SECURITY SYSTEM ADDITION

RESOLUTION by Williams, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the additional purchase of doors and access points in conjunction with the City Hall security system upgrade from Pointe Alarm in the amount of \$16,968.00.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Kindle and Costantino.

NO: None.

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RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 09-138-20

2021 CALENDAR/QUARTERLY NEWSLETTER PROPOSAL

RESOLUTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED accept the proposal provided by Drive Creative Services to provide the City with the 2021 City Calendar and the quarterly newsletter, including the distribution of both pieces as one single mailing in the amount of \$6,650.00 and further to waive competitive bidding in accordance with City Charter policy.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Williams, Kindle, Costantino and Lyons.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 09-139-20

MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE - ANNUAL CONFERENCE

RESOLUTION by Williams, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED to authorize those Councilmembers interested to attend the Michigan Municipal League's Annual Convention on September 30 through October 2 with the City

paying all necessary and related expenses.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Sawicki, Williams, Kindle, Costantino, Lyons and Paiz.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 09-140-20

ADOPT BUDGET SCHEDULE

MOTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To approve the 2021 Budget Meeting Schedule with workshops to be held at regular and special meetings on September 21, September 28, October 5 and October 12, if necessary and further to hold a public hearing on the 2021 Budget on October 19, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

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CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Calus asked if the website that provides COVID numbers could be added to the City's website. He then commented on the Facebook page called Buy Nothing and asked the City to support this page and would like to see an article in the newsletter about it.

Ms. Kane shared a friends' concerns with the Parkcrest Inn stating that garbage ends up in her yard from the hotel, cars are parked in front of her house and that she is not being heard when she complains to the police department.

Ms. Bracy, who lives behind the hotel, mentioned that since the additional signs have been up at the Parkcrest Inn, it has become more quiet and while there are small issues, it has improved and she had good things to say about it.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilwoman Sawicki shared the Wayne County website that Mr. Calus mentioned regarding COVID numbers, www.wayne.maps.arcgis.com, and further commented that in Harper Woods there have been 35 deaths and 343 people infected to date.

Councilwoman Paiz reminded everyone putting campaign signs out that they need to be mindful of the sign ordinance and where they can be placed. She then commented on a

recent meeting that was held with some community members with city administration attending that should have included the Mayor and possibly the attorney present. It was suggested that if any of those community members had concerns that they should present them to the full Council so their voices can be heard.

Councilwoman Williams commented about the voting process during the August 3 Special City Council meeting, clarifying her statement about pulling her nominations and not wanting to vote. She then asked that the City website home page be modified to remove the press releases as those are the first items that visitors to our website see and they do not shed a positive light on our community.

Councilwoman Lyons mentioned that she would like to add to the September 21 City Council meeting a resolution that would address many items, including police transparency, community policing and other issues that the city is facing. The Council had been working on such a resolution previously and would like to see this happen as it is too important for these things not to be discussed.

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ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VALERIE KINDLE, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 14, 2020

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

The Special City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor 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 Valerie Kindle, Mayor Pro tem Cheryl A. Costantino, Councilperson(s) Ernestine Lyons, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki and Regina Williams.

ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Acting City Manager John Szymanski, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

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, 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 2021 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 Hill Jr., 2)Ivery Toussant, Jr. 3) Peter Cherry, 4) Larry Hakim, and 5) Stephanie Mason.

The votes for the three top candidates were as follows:

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BALLOT 1

Larry Hakim	6 Votes	Mayor Kindle, Mayor Pro tem Costantino, Councilmembers Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki and Williams.
James Hill, Jr.	3 Votes	Mayor Kindle, Councilmembers Sawicki and Williams.
Stephanie Mason	3 Votes	Mayor Pro tem Costantino, Councilmembers Lyons and Paiz.
Ivery Toussant, Jr.	6 Votes	Mayor Kindle, Mayor Pro tem Costantino, Councilmembers Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki and Williams.
Peter Cherry	0 Votes	

Due to the tie vote between James Hill, Jr. and Stephanie Mason a second vote took place with the following results:

BALLOT 2

James Hill	3 votes	Mayor Kindle, Mayor Pro tem Costantino and Councilmember Williams
Stephanie Mason	3 votes	Councilmembers Lyons, Paiz and Sawicki

Following the second tie vote, Stephanie Mason conceded to James Hill.

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 3

Larry Hakim	2 Votes	Mayor Kindle and Councilmember Sawicki
Ivery Toussant, Jr.	4 Votes	Mayor Pro tem Costantino, Councilmembers Lyons, Paiz and Williams.

One Candidate received four votes, Ivery Toussant, Jr., so no further voting was necessary.

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CM 09-142-20

APPOINTMENT OF CANDIDATE TO
FILL CITY COUNCIL VACANCY

RESOLUTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Paiz:
BE IT RESOLVED to appoint Ivery Toussant, Jr. to fill the vacancy on the City Council until the next regularly scheduled City election.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Costantino, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Williams and Kindle.
NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO AUDIENCE

A resident commented about installing speed bumps on his street.

Mr. Smith congratulated the Mayor and Mr. Toussant on their recent appointments. He

then asked for the leaders of this community to lead and as the city changes, we need to change with it. He opined that the employees of the City should reflect the citizens of the community they serve and that 90% of the police department is white and 100% of the fire department is white and diversity is needed.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilwoman Paiz shared that she has concerns about the lack of communication between the City Manager and the acting City Manager and the Council. She shared she would like to address this at the next meeting.

Councilwoman Lyons encouraged all the candidates tonight to get involved with the City and stay involved.

Councilwoman Sawicki congratulated Mr. Toussant and shared that the Boards and Committees are always looking for individuals to volunteer. The residents need to be concerned for the community we all live in and we need to forge ahead together. She asked that residents find time or make time to volunteer.

Councilwoman Williams congratulated Mr. Toussant and thanked Mr. Hakim for his passion for this community. She then commented that she like seeing people getting involved and that we need to be working together on inclusion and diversity. She also said

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that she would like to see the many issues that were brought up by the candidates tonight to actually be addressed and worked on.

Mayor Pro tem Costantino congratulated Mr. Toussant. She then opined that staying after the vote says a lot about a person and to never give up trying. The City is always looking for those that keep trying and stay involved. She commented that the City leaders have already been working on many issues, including diversity with changes needed within the City Charter and the unions.

Councilmember Paiz congratulated Mr. Toussant and stated that she was impressed with all of the candidates tonight for their interest in community involvement. She then reminded everyone the the Census deadline has been moved to September 30 and it is really important to be counted. She also encouraged everyone to vote this November.

Mayor Kindle congratulated Mr. Toussant. She then said that the City is moving forward with great things ahead and high expectations. She thanked Mr. Hill as he gave everyone a lot to think about and hoped that he remains involved and continues to have a voice here in the future. She also thanked Mr. Smith for his candor and that his voice is always

welcome, keeping our feet to the fire. She commented that she also feels that change must come from within and not due to other outside influences and that the quality of life is the reason most people come to live here and that is why we need to strive to maintain that and make all people feel welcome within our boundaries.

CM 09-142-20

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Williams:

That the agenda of the Special City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 9:03 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VALERIE KINDLE, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 21, 2020

MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Valerie Kindle at 5:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Valerie Kindle, Mayor Pro tem Cheryl A. Costantino, Councilperson(s) Ernestine Lyons, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki, Ivery Toussant, Jr. and Regina Williams.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Acting City Manager John Szymanski, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 09-143-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on September 9, 2020 and the special City Council meeting held on September 14, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 09-144-20

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Paiz, 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 120159 through 120276 in the amount of \$682,657.25 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. to approve payment to Safe Fleet Law Enforcement in the amount of \$28,328.20 and to Cynergy Products in the amount of \$7,099.03 with Ford reimbursing the City the entire amount (\$35,427.23).
3. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$34,436.20 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of August 2020.
4. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$39,609.41 for professional services during the month of August 2020 for the following projects: 2020 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-239; Beaconsfield Resurfacing, #180-231; 2020 Emergency Storm Sewer Repair, #180-229; 2020 Sanitary Sewer CCTV, #180-233; Stormwater Asset Mgmt, #180-202; Kelly Road Pedestrian Crossing, #180-208; City Hall Roof Replacement, #180-240; City Hall Boiler Replacement, #180-240 and the Lead Water Service Replacement, #180-238.
5. approve payment in the amount of \$175,432.39 to Wayne County for the Milk River Drain interest payment on the SRF program.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Costantino, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Toussant, Williams and Kindle.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO AUDIENCE

No comments were made.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Mayor Pro tem Costantino shared that in lieu of the National Night Out that was scheduled for October 6, a virtual public safety workshop will be held. More information will be placed on the City's website.

Councilwoman Sawicki shared that absentee ballots will be going out later this week. Once you have received it and have voted it, it can be returned via USPS, placed in the dropbox in the front lobby of City Hall or given to the Clerk's office during regular business hours.

Councilwoman Lyons stated that the Harper Woods SOUP is back and will be virtual on October 4. Also, Judge Palmer will be hosting a forum at the NEDC on Eviction Diversion on September 30 at 7pm.

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Councilwoman Paiz shared her concerns over the lack of communication between the City Manager and the current acting City Manager and City Council and asked how this can be addressed.

Councilman Toussant commented that the deadline for the Census is fast approaching and encouraged all to respond as we need all of the federal funds we can get.

CM 09-145-20

2021 BUDGET WORKSHOP SESSION

MOTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:
To adjourn to the Budget workshop session.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2019 BUDGET WORKSHOP SESSION

The acting City Manager gave an overview of each of the current funds and answered questions.

The public was given an opportunity to ask questions regarding the draft of the 2021 Budget.

Mr. Calus inquired about the pension fund and if payments are being made. He then asked about the COPS grants and lastly he mentioned that while Beaconsfield is being repaved, can bike lanes be put in and also speed dips in an effort to slow down speeders.

CM 09-146-20

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 6:57 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VALERIE KINDLE, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 5, 2020

MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Valerie Kindle at 5:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Valerie Kindle, Mayor Pro tem Cheryl A. Costantino, Councilperson(s) Ernestine Lyons, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki, Ivery Toussant, Jr. and Regina Williams.

ABSENT: None.

OTHERS PRESENT: Acting City Manager John Szymanski, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 10-147-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on September 21, 2020, and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Library Board meeting held on August 20, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

CM 10-148-20

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 120277 through 120358 in the amount of \$389,641.93 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 Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$5,935.00 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 in the amount of \$9,300.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with replacing the lead service lines at three locations as mandated by EGLE.
- 4) approve the purchase of 5 2" compound water meters and necessary attachments from Badger Meter in the amount of \$15,030.00 with reimbursement from the Distressed Cities grant.
- 5) approve payment to BB&T Governmental Finance in the amount of \$22,800.00 for the interest payment on the Capital Improvement Bond.
- 6) approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,354.33 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of October 2020.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Costantino, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Toussant, Williams and Kindle.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 10-149-20

MISCELLANEOUS SIDEWALK REPAIR

RESOLUTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the removal and replacement of sidewalk flags at several properties not in compliance with the City Ordinance to be performed by C&V Cement LLC at \$8.50 per square foot in an amount not to exceed \$6,000.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Toussant, Williams, Kindle and Costantino.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 10-150-20

PROGRESS PAYMENT NO. 3 - SANITARY SEWER
CLEANING AND CCTV INVESTIGATION, #180-233

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED approve payment to Doetsch Environmental Services in the amount of \$7,453.80 for Progress Payment No. 3 on the Sanitary Sewer Cleaning & CCTV Investigation, #180-233.

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ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Toussant, Williams, Kindle, Costantino and Lyons.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 10-151-20

RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING
NON-MOTORIZED TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENTS

RESOLUTION by Williams, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED adopt the attached resolution authorizing non-motorized transportation improvements utilizing the HAWK Signal Project costs to remain in compliance with Act 51 funding, and further that since these costs have already been expended no additional expenditure is required.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Sawicki, Toussant, Williams, Kindle, Costantino, Lyons and Paiz.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 10-152-20 CITY INSIGHT ENHANCEMENT AGREEMENT

RESOLUTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

BE IT RESOLVED approve the service agreement submitted City Insight LLC for the Phase II Enhancements of the Harper Woods Citizen Self Service Portal in the amount of \$28,500.00 to be paid in three installments as outlined in the agreement and further to authorize the acting City Manager to sign the agreement.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Toussant, Williams, Kindle, Costantino, Lyons, Paiz and Sawicki.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 10-153-20 ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MI MUNICIPAL LEAGUE LIABILITY AND PROPERTY POOL

MOTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

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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: George Bosanic- Manager, City of Greenville, Melissa Johnson - Mayor, City of Chelsea, Sue Osborn - Mayor, City of Fenton and Dave Post - Manager, Village of Hillman.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 10-154-20 ADD ITEM TO AGENDA - RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT
OF TRANSFORMATIVE AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

MOTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To add to the agenda a Resolution in Support of Transformative and Restorative Justice.

No: Paiz

MOTION CARRIED

CM 10-155-20 RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF
TRANSFORMATIVE AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

MOTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To table the discussion and adoption of the Resolution in Support of Transformative and Restorative Justice in order for all City Council members to have an opportunity to review it further.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Brumbaugh introduced himself and announced that he is currently running for Grosse Pointe District School Board. He shared that it is important to him that there is a strong relationship between the school districts and the city and asked to be considered when voting.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilwoman Paiz announced that there will be a K-9 fundraiser on October 15 between

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5pm and 7pm at the Amvets. It will be a drive-through spaghetti dinner. She then commented on the Resolution that was discussed and stated that she is glad to see it being revisited.

Councilwoman Sawicki commented on The Insider newsletter saying that she would like to see a more comprehensive calendar of the upcoming events in the City to be listed on the front page for easier reference.

Councilwoman Costantino suggested that an Ordinance meeting be scheduled to address the concerns regarding several residents listing their homes on sites like AirBnB and VRBO and that they should be paying additional hotel type taxes. She then announced the virtual Public Safety workshop that is scheduled for tomorrow at 7pm and that the topics include animal safety, MI resolve program, elder fraud, crime prevention and fire safety, among others.

Councilwoman Williams shared that she is glad to be a part of the sensitivity training that the City employees will be attending and that it is important in these times and glad the City is supporting this.

Councilwoman Lyons commented about previous discussions regarding the formation of a public safety commission and asked if this is still ongoing as many residents have asked

to be a part of it. She then shared that she attended the virtual MML conference and that some topics included civic pride and creating events to be innovative and with a renewed sense of feeling prosperous in the community. Lastly she thanked everyone involved in the SOUP program and was glad to see that it was well attended.

Councilwoman Paiz asked if the parking lot at the NEDC building on Kelly Road could be addressed as it is in serious disrepair. She shared that she too attended the MML conference and that the diversity training segment was a great discussion and that the session about policing was interesting and inspiring.

Councilwoman Sawicki commented about Halloween happenings stating that the residents don't want the City to be involved in regulating trick or treating as they would like to do as they want. Several residents shared some interesting suggestions to her of how they will share treats with the children as a means to social distance, including 'shooting candy through PVC pipe'.

Councilman Toussant stated that he was sorry to have missed the MML conference, but did attend the SOUP and said that it was a great event.

Mayor Kindle shared that Redeemer Church will be hosting a 'trunk or treat' event as an alternative for children to participate in Halloween activities. Lastly she shared her

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involvement in the pop-up food pantry at Redeemer church for Harper Woods residents and surrounding area families.

CM 10-156-20

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Toussant, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 6:46 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VALERIE KINDLE, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 19, 2020

MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Valerie Kindle at 5:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Valerie Kindle, Mayor Pro tem Cheryl A. Costantino, Councilperson(s) Ernestine Lyons, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki, Ivery Toussant, Jr. and Regina Williams (5:06).

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Acting City Manager John Szymanski, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held on October 5, 2020 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Election Commission meeting held on October 12, 2020

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Calus expressed his concerns with Safebuilt.

CM 10-158-20 CM 10-155-20 RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF
TRANSFORMATIVE AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

MOTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

Remove item CM 10-155-20 Resolution in Support of Transformative and Restorative Justice from Tabled and Pending Items and place under Old Business 1 to be discussed following the completion of New Business items.

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MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 10-159-20 CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Lyons, 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 120359 through 120472 in the amount of \$242,302.59 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 \$34,802.00 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of September 2020.
3. approve payment to Dominion Voting Systems, Inc. in the amount of \$5,735.74 for the purchase of an additional tabulator with funds from the CTCL grant being used.
4. approve payment in the amount of \$3,100.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with a watermain break at a residential location.
5. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$7,717.20 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.
6. approve payment to Simplified Business Solutions in the amount of \$6,925.57 for

the email hosting, security and backups of our computer system for the months of August and September and for IT support services for all departments and the purchase of a hard drive and cables.

7. to approve payment to Cynergy Products in the amount of \$7,113.03 with Ford reimbursing the City the entire amount.
8. approve payment to Anderson, Eckstein & Westrick, Inc. in the amount of \$21,136.11 for professional services during the month of September 2020 for the following projects: 2020 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-239; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; Beaconsfield Resurfacing, #180-231; 2020 Sanitary Sewer CCTV, #180-233; Stormwater Asset Management, #180-202; Signal Modernization, #180-228; Aerial Install on Beaconsfield, #180-242; City Hall Roof Replacement, #180-236; Extenet Fiber, #180-220 and Everstream GPW Connector, #180-237.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Costantino, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Toussant, Williams and Kindle.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

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CM 10-160-20

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING - 2021 BUDGET

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Paiz:

To open the public hearing on the 2021 Budget.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC HEARING

The City Manager gave an overview of the funds in the 2021 Budget and the adjustments that were discussed during the budget workshops and answered all questions.

CM 10-161-20

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING - 2021 BUDGET

MOTION by Toussant, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

To close the public hearing on the 2021 Budget.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 10-162-20

ADOPTION OF TAX LEVY RESOLUTION - 2021 BUDGET

RESOLUTION by , SUPPORTED by :
BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the Tax Levy Resolution set forth on page 1 of the budget document hereby establishing the following tax rate for 2021.

General	19.8661
General (P.A. 359)	.2000
Refuse	2.5345
Library	1.9106
Debt	<u>1.3750</u>
TOTAL	25.8862

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Toussant, Williams, Kindle and Costantino.
NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

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CM 10-163-20 ADOPTION OF BUDGET ADOPTION AND
APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION - 2021 BUDGET

RESOLUTION by Williams, SUPPORTED by Lyons:
BE IT RESOLVED approve the Budget Adoption and Appropriation Resolution found on Page 2 of the budget document, thereby adopting the 2021 Budget as presented.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Toussant, Williams, Kindle, Costantino and Lyons.
NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 10-164-20 2021 STORM WATER UTILITY RATE RESOLUTION

RESOLUTION by , SUPPORTED by :
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, 2020.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Sawicki, Toussant, Williams, Kindle, Costantino, Lyons and Paiz.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 10-165-20 CM 10-155-20 RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF
TRANSFORMATIVE AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Lyons:
BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the Resolution in Support of Transformative and Restorative Justice. (Attachment 1)

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Toussant, Williams, Kindle, Costantino, Lyons, Paiz and Sawicki.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

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CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Calus thanked the DPW for being up and out so early today, picking up the leaves in the city.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilwoman Williams shared that she enjoyed working with all of Council on the Resolution as a collaborative effort and that overall she feels good about it.

Councilman Toussant asked what can be done with the resolution now to share it with the public.

Councilwoman Costantino suggested that it be sent out to news media as a press release.

Councilwoman Paiz shared that approximately 150 dinners were served and about \$3,000 were raised for the K-9 program and she thanked all who were involved. She also commented that out of all the candidates running for the Grosse Pointe School Board, only one introduced themselves at a City Council meeting and that she is disappointed in them. She then inquired about the City Manager and the renewal of his contract next year.

Councilwoman Sawicki also shared that she too was pleased to have been a part of the

collaborative effort on the Resolution and then she thanked all of the employees and others who attended the sensitivity training that the City hosted.

Councilwoman Lyons reminded everyone that as we head into flu season, the coronavirus is still out there. She has planned a virtual town hall meeting for November 5 at 7pm with several health department representatives being present to answer questions.

Councilwoman Costantino thanked everyone for their involvement and support of the Public Safety workshops that were recently held.

Mayor Kindle commented on the food pantry that is being held on Fridays at the NEDC on Kelly Road stating that there is such a need for Harper Woods and surrounding communities. She also thanked the public safety department for their involvement in an event that was recently held at Eastland Mall and she heard many good things about how our officers handled this event and how polite and supportive they are. She also shared that Mr. McMullen, a big supporter of Harper Woods, is in need of prayers as he is quite ill. Lastly she announced the Lions Club Pasta dinner will be a drive-through on October 24 at the Amvets and welcomed all to attend.

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Councilwoman Paiz commented that the food pantry wouldn't be possible without the support from Shanda Peterson and she should be recognized for her efforts, as she picks up most of the food from different suppliers to be distributed to those in need.

CM 10-166-20

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Costantino:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VALERIE KINDLE, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
RESOLUTION IN SUPPORT OF TRANSFORMATIVE AND
RESTORATIVE JUSTICE

WHEREAS, the mission of the City of Harper Woods is expressly for the benefit of the governed and in service to our residents;

WHEREAS, the City of Harper Woods strives for justice, equity, and compassion in all human relations;

WHEREAS, the City of Harper Woods should serve as a beacon of peace, liberty, and justice for all;

WHEREAS, allowing injustice to go unchallenged violates the mission of our City;

WHEREAS, tragic and violent deaths have occurred because of institutionalized racism and police brutality that disproportionately impacts African Americans and persons of color;

WHEREAS, the City of Harper Woods Public Safety Department is committed to excellence in law enforcement, the preservation of life, and officers are held to the highest standards of loyalty, integrity and honesty, and are expected to work toward critical responsibilities including de-escalation, crisis intervention, and community policing;

WHEREAS, the Mayor and City Council of Harper Woods recognizes that we must advance substantive law enforcement policies to create a community that ensures the rights of all our residents;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of Harper Woods will do whatever is within our power to protect the residents of this City from all forms of oppression;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of Harper Woods will work with organizations and our community toward justice, with the recognition of the interconnected nature of racism and systemic oppression based on socio-economic status, ability, age, gender identity, sexual orientation, and language;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of Harper Woods recognize the fight for diversity, accessibility, equality, equity, and civil rights continues, and we urge all people to demand justice against racist and discriminatory practices;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Council of Harper Woods recognize the importance of, and commits to, developing and establishing just and inclusive policies and practices designed to dismantle racism and all forms of oppression;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the Mayor and City Council of Harper Woods will work actively to enhance educational efforts aimed at understanding, dismantling, and addressing racism and how it affects health, education, human services, social services and economic development in our Public Safety, Court, and Government as a whole;

SO FINALLY, we collectively announce that the Mayor and City Council of Harper Woods are committed to fair, transformative, and restorative actions and policies that are accountable to our community, and that we will actively work to eliminate racism and other forms of injustice by working to make organizational structures more inclusive, enact changes in our policies, systems, practices and perceptions, so that we can create a fair and just community for all residents;

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CITY COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 16, 2020

MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Valerie Kindle at 5:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Valerie Kindle, Mayor Pro tem Cheryl A. Costantino, Councilperson(s) Ernestine Lyons, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki, Ivery Toussant, Jr. and Regina Williams.

ABSENT: none

OTHERS PRESENT: Acting City Manager John Szymanski, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 11-167-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Toussant, SUPPORTED by Williams:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held October 19, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Calus commented on the Resolution in Support of Transformative and Restorative Justice stating that one of the last paragraphs is missing 'of Harper Woods'. All other paragraphs use these words and it should be consistent. He also commented about SafeBuilt and their recent billing. Lastly he asked what CLEMIS was and would the past due invoices for Halt Fire be coming from the General Fund.

CM 11-168-20

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

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

1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 120473 through 120699 in the amount of \$981,353.02 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 Halt Fire in the amount of \$9,068.86 for the repairs to Engine 2.
3. approve payment to City Insight in the amount of \$7,125.00 for the initial payment for the enhancement to the water application portal.
4. approve payment to the City of Grosse Pointe Farms in the amount of \$29,582.14 for Harper Woods' proportionate share of the Intermunicipal Radio System for the period January 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.
5. approve payment to Michigan Supreme Court Finance in the amount of \$5,301.98 for software support on the district court's computer system.
6. approve payment to Oakland County Information Technology in the amount of \$6,929.75 for fees relative to the CLEMIS computer system utilized by the Police Department.
7. approve payment to Simplified Business Solutions in the amount of \$13,769.69 for the IT support services for all departments and the purchase of miscellaneous items.
8. approve payment to Badger Meter, Inc. in the amount of \$17,373.04 for the purchase of new 5/8" Orion automatic read water meters.
9. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,354.33 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of November 2020.
10. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$36,681.00 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of October 2020.
11. to accept the quote provided by RKA Petroleum for the purchase of 5,000 gallons of diesel fuel at a cost of \$1.45 per gallon and 5,000 gallons of unleaded fuel at a cost of \$1.24 per gallon, for an approximate total of \$13,450.00.
12. approve payment in the amount of \$8,350.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with two watermain breaks and repair of two hydrants.
13. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$7,253.40 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 trash and leaf pickup services.
14. approve payment to C & V Cement LLC in the amount of \$5,528.00 for the sidewalk repairs needed following the replacement of several lead service lines and an emergency water main break restoration and in the amount of \$4,892.00 for the sidewalk replacement project that was approved (in an amount not to exceed \$6,000.00) on October 5, 2020, for a total amount of \$10,420.00.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Costantino, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Toussant, Williams and Kindle.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 11-169-20 SALE OF SURPLUS CITY EQUIPMENT

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Costantino:
BE IT RESOLVED to accept the high bid submitted by Isidor Strom of Crystal Auto Parts of Dearborn, Michigan in the amount of \$3,620.18 for the as-is purchase of a 1996 Ford rubbish truck.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Toussant, Williams, Kindle and Costantino.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 11-170-20 RESOLUTION - WAYNE COUNTY MITIGATION PLAN

MOTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Costantino:
BE IT RESOLVED to adopt the Hazard Mitigation Plan as provided by the Wayne County Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Toussant, Williams, Kindle, Costantino and Lyons.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Calus congratulated Ms. Coleman on her being elected to District Court Judge. He also commented that he is still awaiting cement repairs from the DTE project. Lastly he asked about the security at Eastland and stated that the tunnel doors should be closed.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilwoman Sawicki stated that she was recently informed by a resident that a patrol

officer was telling residents that masks aren't important nor necessary. She wanted to make sure that all officers are on the same page and that they are giving proper information to the residents as Harper Woods had 43 new cases of COVID in the last two weeks. She then shared that she received a proposal from Girl Scout Troop 70933 for park improvements at Salter Park. She stated that she is 100% behind their initiative to create an updated path with sidewalk paintings, inspirational quotes and tree identifiers to read as you walk along. She then asked if there was a way to incorporate into the check register items that have been approved previously by Council.

Councilwoman Lyons suggested that the Girl Scout troop address the City Council and share their proposal. She then mentioned the COVID Town Hall will be held tomorrow and invited all to join in. She also invited everyone to attend the 'Conversation with Law Enforcement' that will be held on Thursday at 7pm via Zoom.

Councilwoman Williams thanked Judge Palmer for his years of service and congratulated Rebekah Coleman. She also asked about the Charter committee and suggested that with 2021 being a local election year that several items need to be addressed.

Councilwoman Costantino shared that the Crime Reduction Task Force will hold a workshop likely on March 23 of next year.

Councilwoman Paiz asked to add to the agenda discussion about the City Manager's contract, to be in compliance with the requirement that he receive a 90-day notice in the event this contract will not be renewed.

Councilwoman Sawicki suggested that this item be addressed at the next City Council meeting so that everyone has an opportunity to review this contract thoroughly.

CM 11-171-20

CITY MANAGER CONTRACT

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Williams:
to direct the acting City Manager to have the City Manager contract on the next City Council agenda for discussion.

NO: Paiz

MOTION CARRIED

Councilwoman Paiz then commented on Judge elect Coleman's public statement regarding the patrol officers removing her campaign signs, even though they were doing their job

CM 11-174-20 FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE, PATROL OFFICERS,
DETECTIVES AND DISPATCHERS COLLECTIVE
BARGAINING AGREEMENT

RESOLUTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED to approve the collective bargaining agreement between the City of Harper Woods and the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Patrol Officers, Detectives and Dispatchers Unit through December 31, 2022, and further to authorize the Mayor and the City Manager to sign the agreement.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Toussant, Williams, Kindle, Costantino and Lyons.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 11-175-20 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:21p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VALERIE KINDLE, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 7, 2020

MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Valerie Kindle at 5:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Valerie Kindle, Mayor Pro tem Cheryl A. Costantino, Councilperson(s) Ernestine Lyons, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki, Ivery Toussant and Regina Williams.

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Acting City Manager John Szymanski, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 12-176-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Sawicki, SUPPORTED by Williams:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held November 16, 2020 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Planning Commission meeting held November 17, 2020 and the Library Board meeting held October 15, 2020.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

Mr. Smith spoke on the City Manager's contract saying that he supports him and that he is away not by choice but military duty. He stated he hopes that Council would look at his accomplishments without personal vendettas.

CM 12-177-20

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Costantino, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

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

1. approve the Accounts Payable/Payroll Vendor listing for Check Numbers 120700 through 120892 in the amount of \$845,342.28 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 \$11,675.55 for professional services during the month of October 2020 for the following projects: 2020 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-239; 2018 Concrete Pavement Repair, #180-204; Beaconsfield Resurfacing, #180-231; 2020 Sanitary Sewer CCTV, #180-233; Stormwater Asset Management, #180-202; City Hall Generator Study, #180-241; City Hall Roof Replacement, #180-236; Extenet Fiber, #180-220 and Everstream GPW Connector, #180-237.
3. approve payment to Uni-Dig, Inc. in the amount of \$9,840.00 for leaf disposal in conjunction with the curbside leaf pickup program.
4. 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.
5. approve payment to Nu Appearance Maintenance, Inc. in the amount of \$13,253.50 for their assistance with leaf pickup, special pickups and storm damage cleanup in various areas of the City, including City Hall, the annexes, Library and the Parks.
6. to approve payment to Intrado Life and Safety Solutions in the amount of \$9,811.50 for the professional services to complete the 911 upgrade, with 911 grant money to be used for this purchase.
7. approve payment to WCA Assessing in the amount of \$5,354.33 for the contractual assessing services performed during the month of December 2020.
8. approve payment to Vargo Building Company in the amount of \$8,426.54 for professional services in the police department and for improvements to the City outdoor sign.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Costantino, Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Toussant, Williams and Kindle.

NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

DISCUSSION - CITY MANAGER
EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

Discussion regarding the employment agreement of the City Manager was held and several items were addressed including the term of the agreement and notifications that are required in the event any changes are made to the agreement.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 12-181-20 RECEIVE AND FILE - DRAFT OF PLAN TO CREATE A
SEARCH COMMITTEE TO ACTIVELY RECRUIT
APPLICANTS FROM MINORITIES UNDER-REPRESENTED
IN THE HARPER WOODS POLICE DEPARTMENT

MOTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:
to receive and file the Draft Plan to Create a Search Committee to Actively Recruit
Applicants from Minorities Under-represented in the Harper Woods Police Department.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 12-182-20 RENEWAL OF AGREEMENT - MEDSTAR

RESOLUTION by Williams, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:
BE IT RESOLVED approve the 5 year agreement between the City of Harper Woods and
MedStar, Inc. to provide Advanced Life Support Ambulance Service through December 31,
2023, with no cost to the City, and further to authorize the Mayor and City Manager to sign
the agreement.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Toussant, Williams, Costantino, Kindle, Lyons, Paiz and Sawicki
NO: None.

RESOLUTION ADOPTED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 12-183-20 CHANGES IN COUNCIL MEETING DATES - 2021

MOTION by Toussant, SUPPORTED by Lyons:
to approve the changes to the City Council meeting dates as listed for 2021; January 18
to January 20, 2021 for the observance of Martin Luther King, Jr; February 15 to February
17, 2021 for the observance of President's Day and September 6 to September 8, 2021
in observance of Labor Day, and further that the City will meet on June 14, July 12 and
August 9, 2021, the second Mondays only of the summer months.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Hakim commented that Medstar and our Fire Department combined saved his life and did a great job. He then mentioned a condemned home on Lancaster which is boarded up and hasn't yet been demolished. He stated he agrees with Mr. Smith's earlier comments and that he is embarrassed the City Manager contract was brought up in open meeting. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Mr Calus agreed with the fact that the City Manager's contract discussion was not about performance but the contract itself. He next expressed that with regard to an earlier comment, the public safety issue was put to a vote three times and in spite of the people's voice the City adopted public safety. He said he'd like to see Medstar closer for better reaction time and that the Council should reconsider. He stated he thinks it is an excellent idea to form a committee to recruit minority applicants and a Charter committee should also include a resident.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilperson Paiz shared that the expense to rewrite the charter rather than make amendments is costly. She stated her interest in the City Manager contract concerned legal ramifications and she did not want to violate the open meetings act by making it a private discussion.

Councilperson Sawicki said Charter revision is extremely expensive but amendments can be made though this requires a vote by residents. The items would have to be added to the ballot and this was not done in the time required. She next mentioned letters received regarding Councilperson Costantino's actions and that residents expressed that they felt her actions could disenfranchise Harper Woods and Wayne County voters. She said there was nothing in the charter regarding a call to censure a councilperson and asked for enlightenment.

Attorney DeWaele agreed the Charter does not address censure. If the action was an ethical violation or a violation of an ordinance it may be possible but a lawsuit is not a reason to censure unless perhaps the lawsuit was frivolous.

Councilperson Costantino responded to what she says was false information in a newspaper article that caused an uproar. She stated that the lawsuit had nothing to do with President Trump. She explained that as a poll watcher in Wayne County, she saw things that were wrong and wanted to do something about it, though the election workers were great and not the issue. She said it is her opinion that the mail in ballot system is antiquated and stated that any voter can request an audit of an election nor did she speak

with a Trump team member only a non profit attorney. She further stated that when things got distorted she pulled out of the lawsuit. She said the absentee process is faulty and too much can go wrong and that there are problems with elections based on absentee voting and we need to admit it and work to fix it. Furthermore, she said her attorney has prepared a statement and everything she has done has been for the people of Wayne County who deserve a fair election that does not waste taxpayer money and she has done nothing illegal. She noted that she is unhappy that Councilperson Sawicki brought this up at a public meeting because she was acting as a resident not Councilperson when she joined the lawsuit.

Councilperson Sawicki responded by saying she brought this to the public forum to give Councilperson Costantino a chance to address this issue so it does not linger or evolve with any false information.

Councilperson Williams said while she respects Councilperson Costantino, it is the effect of her actions that bother her with regard to the recent resolution adopted for transformative and restorative justice. She said the lawsuit could have rendered ballots invalid and impeded many African American votes from being counted.

Councilperson Toussant expressed that he was also disappointed and echoed Councilperson Williams' remarks adding that Councilperson Costantino effectively signed a petition that could have thrown black votes out.

Councilperson Lyons said that the Councilpersons views and beliefs are hers and that she has had positive interactions with her but regretted that her actions brought more scrutiny and attention to the community. She then agreed with Mr. Hakim that the contract discussion on the agenda was an embarrassment and that the Attorney has asked that this not be addressed multiple times in the City Manager's absence.

Mayor Kindle said that Councilperson Paiz has asked a number of questions about the contract as well as to the attorney and finally got those answers tonight. She further stated that we need a minority Public Safety Director to encourage more minorities in this department and to show that the department is trying to be more reflective of the community by hiring more minority police officers. She then spoke about landlords that do not keep up their properties for rental residents and that there have been many complaints. She said we need to hold them accountable and management companies take peoples money yet put nothing back into the properties. She next shared that in addition to the food pantry items that are earmarked for residents, she received masks from the Wayne County Health Department and they will be passed out to residents, Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the back door of the Fire Department.

CM 12-184-20

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Lyons, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VALERIE KINDLE, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK

CITY OF HARPER WOODS
CITY COUNCIL
DECEMBER 21, 2020

MEETING MINUTES

The regular City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Valerie Kindle at 5:00 p.m. with a moment of silent prayer, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Mayor Valerie Kindle, Councilperson(s) Ernestine Lyons, Veronica Paiz, Vivian Sawicki, Ivery Toussant and Regina Williams.

ABSENT: Mayor Pro tem Cheryl A. Costantino.

OTHERS PRESENT: Acting City Manager John Szymanski, City Attorney Sharon DeWaele and City Clerk Leslie M. Frank.

CM 12-185-20

EXCUSE MAYOR PRO TEM COSTANTINO

MOTION by Toussant, SUPPORTED by Sawicki:

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

ABSENT: Costantino

MOTION CARRIED

CM 12-186-20

MINUTES

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Williams:

To receive, approve and file the minutes of the regular City Council meeting held December 7, 2020 and furthermore receive and file the minutes of the Board of Review meeting held December 15, 2020.

ABSENT: Costantino

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA

No comments were made.

CM 12-187-20

CONSENT AGENDA

RESOLUTION by Lyons, 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 120893 through 120995 in the amount of \$449,965.16 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 Elite Trauma Clean up in the amount of \$5,500.00 for the decontamination services they performed at City Hall.
3. approve payment in the amount of \$9,750.00 to Guardian Sewers for their assistance with several water main breaks and lead service line replacement at various residential locations.
4. approve payment in the amount of \$6,516.00 to the Michigan Municipal League for membership dues covering the period February 1, 2021 through January 31, 2022.
5. approve payment to Drive Creative Services, LLC in the amount of \$6,650.00 for the printing of the 2021 City calendar.
6. approve payment to SafeBuilt, Inc. in the amount of \$51,951.40 for the contractual building department services performed during the month of November 2020.
7. approve payment to Simplified Business Solutions in the amount of \$9,336.44 for the IT support services for all departments and the purchase of miscellaneous items.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Lyons, Paiz, Sawicki, Toussant, Williams, and Kindle.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CM 12-188-20 ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT - TARGET MARKET ANALYSIS

RESOLUTION by Williams, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

BE IT RESOLVED to accept the grant in the amount of \$75,000.00 from the Michigan

Department of Treasury to conduct a Target Market Analysis, and further to approve the proposal submitted by Sharon Woods of LandUseUSA, and further to authorize the Mayor to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

ROLL CALL VOTE

YES: Paiz, Sawicki, Toussant, Williams, Kindle and Lyons.

NO: None.

ABSENT: Costantino

RESOLUTION ADOPTED

CALL TO AUDIENCE

Mr. Calus stated that in 2018 when DTE replaced gas lines, Infrasource placed their equipment on his lawn damaging it. He was told the damage would be replaced, including sod and it has since been ripped up and replaced a total of six times. He was then told his case has been closed and he must repeat the process all over. He said that he has sent numerous emails but feels he is not being heard on this issue. Next, he wished everyone a merry Christmas.

CALL TO COUNCIL

Councilperson Sawicki mentioned that she hopes the City can help Mr. Calus with his problem and then wished all a safe and happy holiday.

Councilperson Toussant agreed that Mr. Calus could use help with this issue.

Councilperson Williams commented on an email she received from a Councilmember listing several observed holidays during this season. Then she said she hoped all will have a restful, happy and safe holiday.

Mayor Kindle wished everyone a safe and happy holiday and thanked all the City's departments for going above and beyond in this very challenging year. She continued by thanking employees for putting their best foot forward and being true public servants by trying to improve the quality of life for our residents. She then quoted the former Mayor who said "there is no me, only we" saying together we can make a difference in our community. She concluded with a Merry Christmas and a wish that all be safe during the holidays.

CM 12-190-20

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Paiz, SUPPORTED by Lyons:

That the agenda of the regular City Council meeting having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 5:53 p.m.

ABSENT: Costantino

MOTION CARRIED

VALERIE KINDLE, MAYOR

LESLIE M. FRANK, CITY CLERK