

LAINGSBURG CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
July 11, 2011

Mayor Culpepper called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers. He thanked everyone for their cards, thoughts and prayers during his recent illness.

Roll call found Jessica Bayer, Brian Fredline, David Hartman, Tim Leonard, Dave Rhodabeck, Michael Woodworth and Mayor Culpepper present.

Councilman Fredline led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public comment – Ed Buskirk, member of the LBCA (Laingsburg Business and Community Association) Board announced that Mayor Culpepper recently resigned from the LBCA Board and the Board would like to have someone from the City Council take his place. Councilman Leonard volunteered. Ed would take his offer it to the LBCA Board for their consideration. The Mayor thanked Councilman Leonard for volunteering to fill the position.

55-11. Moved by Leonard, seconded by Bayer to approve the minutes of June 6, 2011, as presented. Motion carried.

56-11. Moved by Woodworth seconded by Leonard to approve the Treasurer's report, subject to audit. Motion carried.

57-11. Moved by Rhodabeck, seconded by Bayer to approve Natural Solutions/Beneficial Solutions application for a Special Land Use Permit and site plan for the operation of a "Non-Residential Primary Caregiver Use" for 106 Crum Street based on the Planning Commission's recommendation for approval. Roll call vote: Fredline - yes, Hartman – yes; Leonard – yes; Rhodabeck – yes; Woodworth- no; Bayer – yes; Culpepper – yes. Motion carried.

Councilman Woodworth commended the Planning Commission for all the work they have done in regards to the necessary amendments to the City of Laingsburg Zoning Ordinance to include Special Land Use to regulate the use of property and/or structure for medical marihuana primary caregiver use.

58-11. Moved by Rhodabeck, seconded by Bayer to open a public hearing to receive public input for proposed Ordinance #02-11 AN ORDINANCE TO CONTINUE THE CITY OF LAINGSBURG PLANNING COMMISSION WITH ALL OF THE POWERS AND DUTIES AS PROVIDED AND AUTHORIZED BY P.A. 33 OF 2008, AS AMENDED, BEING THE MICHIGAN PLANNING ENABLING ACT ("Act"), MCL 125.3801 et. seq. Motion carried.

There were no comments from the public regarding the proposed ordinance.

59-11. Moved by Fredline, seconded by Leonard to close the public hearing for Ordinance #02-11. Motion carried.

60-11. Moved by Fredline, seconded by Woodworth to open a public hearing to receive public hearing for #03-11 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LAINGSBURG TO PROVIDE FOR A SERVICE CHARGE IN LIEU OF TAXES AND OTHER CITY SERVICES FOR A PROPOSED MULTIPLE FAMILY PROJECT FOR ELDERLY PERSONS AND PERSONS OF LOW OR MODERATE INCOME TO BE FINANCED OR ASSISTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE STATE HOUSING DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY ACT OF 1966 (1966 PA 346, as amended, MCL Section 125.1402 et. seq.). Motion carried.

There were no comments from the public regarding the proposed ordinance.

61-11. Moved by Rhodabeck, seconded by Fredline to close the public hearing for Ordinance #03-11. Motion carried.

62-11. Moved by Leonard, seconded by Fredline to leave to the discretion of DPW Superintendent, Gary Bendall, which streets should be closed on Saturday, July 30, 2011, for the annual LBCA Pancake Breakfast, car show and Chad Hill Cruise-in. Motion carried.

63-11. Moved by Leonard, seconded by Woodworth to counteroffer HSC Services, Inc. (for assessor of record services for the City of Laingsburg) extension of contract from \$1050 per month for one year to \$1000 per month for two years. All yes roll call vote. Motion carried.

64-11. Moved by Rhodabeck, seconded by Woodworth to pay the bills in the amount of \$59,212.90, General Fund checks # 34640 – 34705. Also, electronic payments of EFPTS \$5,568.25 – Federal Withholding, Social Security and Medicare. All yes roll call vote. Motion carried.

65-11. Moved by Fredline seconded to Leonard to go into closed session to discuss labor negotiations. All yes roll call vote. Motion carried.

The council came out of closed session at 9:08 p.m.

66-11. Moved by Woodworth, seconded by Hartman to not accept the offer from Police Officers Labor Council and that the City of Laingsburg will propose a counter offer. Roll call – Fredline – abstain; Hartman – yes; Leonard – yes; Rhodabeck – yes; Woodworth – yes; Bayer – yes and Culpepper – yes. Motion carried.

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Mayor Culpepper thanked the Laingsburg Lions Club for their recent donation new automatic door opener for the front door of the Laingsburg Public Library. The Lions Club also purchased three new benches to be installed at various locations along Grand River Road.

67-11. Moved by Hartman, seconded by Leonard to adjourn. The motion carried and the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Lana Kaiser
Clerk

Michael Culpepper
Mayor