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## **LAINGSBURG CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**

**June 3, 2019**

**Approved**

Mayor Culpepper called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Councilman Fredline led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Brian Fredline, Dennis Hill, Marcie Nickols, David Rhodabeck, Mary Hetherington and Micheal Culpepper. Members absent: Alan Ducastel.

Public Comment – The floor was opened to public comment Caroline Wilson, Shiawassee County Clerk was present and handed out updated County Directories, she provided a brief update on services offered at the County. The council also listened to concerns from the public regarding accountability, while others were appreciative of Council and staff and expressed the need to move forward with lessons learned.

Moved by Rhodabeck, seconded by Nickols to approve the minutes of May 6 and May 20, 2019, as presented. All in favor, Motion carried.

Moved by Fredline, seconded by Hill to approve the Treasurer's Report, subject to audit. Motion carried. All in favor, Motion Carried.

Moved by Rhodabeck, seconded by Nickols to open the Public Hearing for the McClintock Park Amphitheater Project. All in favor, Motion Carried.

A brief description of the project was provided and the location of the proposed Amphitheater was pointed out on the map in council chambers while the City Council provided input. Council members commented that this project has been discussed since 2005 and the last year has been spent seeking public input from the local high school students to the senior citizens and holding many public forums. Public Comment on the project was sought and a question was asked regarding how the City would maintain the Amphitheater. Another question asked was if the City was taking into account the requests to shift the direction of the Amphitheater a few degrees north. The comments were favorable. The City has funds and staff designated to maintain the Park and facilities. The design has been shifted north to accommodate the need to shield the sun during evening performances. It was mentioned that the grant application will continue to be available for viewing at City Hall through the end of the week.

Moved by Fredline, seconded by Hetherington to close the Public Hearing. All in favor, motion carried.

John Lancour, DDA Treasurer, presented the DDA's 2019-2020 Proposed Budget and Annual Report. It was moved by Rhodabeck and supported by Nickols to approve the DDA's Annual report and their 2019-2020 Proposed Budget. Roll call vote: YEAS: Culpepper, Nickols, Hetherington, Fredline, Rhodabeck and Hill. Nays: None. Absent: Ducastel. Motion carried.

Moved by Fredline, seconded by Hill to approve the CDBG Infrastructure Grant Resolution 1901 Authorizing a CDBG Infrastructure Grant Application for the McClintock Park Outdoor Amphitheater in the amount of \$444,381 and designating Paula Willoughby, Clerk/Treasurer as the signor for Grant Documents. Roll Call Vote Yeas: Rhodabeck, Hetherington, Nickols, Culpepper, Fredline, Hill Nays: None. Absent: Ducastel. Motion Carried.

Moved by Rhodabeck, supported by Fredline to reappoint Mark Brink and Greg Hunt to the DDA for a four-year term ending July 1, 2023. All in favor, Motion Carried.

Moved by Rhodabeck, supported by Fredline to close Grand River Road from High Street to St. Laing Street, Crum Street from Grand River to N. Laing Street and Roosevelt Row from 6:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 27, 2019 for the LBCA Pancake Breakfast and the Laingsburg Classic Car Show. All in favor, Motion Carried.

Moved by Fredline, seconded by Nickols to close Roosevelt Row from Grand River to McClintock from 2:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. on Wednesdays only, for all of June, July 3 and from August 21 through October 16 for the Farmers Market. All in favor, Motion carried.

Moved by Fredline, seconded by Hetherington to approve the 2019-2020 City Council Meeting Schedule as provided. The July Council Meeting date was kept at July 1st. The September meeting will be moved to the 9<sup>th</sup> due to the holiday. All in favor, motion carried.

Moved by Fredline, seconded by Hetherington to approve the 2018-2019 Budget Adjustments, as presented. *Copy of the budget adjustments attached to the minutes.* Roll call vote: Yeas: Rhodabeck, Hetherington, Nickols, Hill, Fredline, and Culpepper. Nays: None. Absent: Ducastel. Motion carried.

Moved by Rhodabeck, seconded by Fredline to award the contract for the CDBG Infrastructure Improvements which includes roadway reconstruction, storm sewer 12 to 18-inch, sanitary sewer 8 inch, drain restoration and sediment basin, to Woodhull Construction as the low bidder in the amount of \$1,103,763.85, committing the City to an addition matching funds of \$47,066.00. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Culpepper, Rhodabeck, Fredline, Hetherington, Nickols and Hill. Nays: None. Absent: Ducastel. Motion Carried.

Moved by Fredline, seconded by Rhodabeck to authorize the staff to hire Twin Oaks to mow the lawn at 309 Grant Street until the property is in compliance. Authorizing staff to assess the charges to the property owner. If the owner does not pay the invoice for the mowing the Treasurer will prepare a Special Assessment to place the fees on the Winter Property Taxes. Roll call vote: Yeas: Culpepper, Rhodabeck, Fredline, Hetherington, Nickols, Hill. Nays: None. Absent: Ducastel. Motion carried.

Moved by Fredline seconded by Hetherington to table the new cell phone policy. All in favor, Motion carried.

Moved by Fredline, seconded by Nickols to pay the bills in the amount of \$49,711.54 from the General Fund using check #40599-40632; Electronic payments of \$14,537.95 from 5/4 through 6/3. Roll call vote: Yeas: Culpepper, Nickols, Hetherington, Rhodabeck, Fredline and Hill. Nays: None. Absent: Ducastel. Motion carried.

Moved by Fredline, seconded by Rhodabeck to utilize the increase in Cell Tower Lease payments of approximately \$93,000 to fund projects in the approved 5-year Capital Outlay Plan. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Culpepper, Rhodabeck, Fredline, Hetherington, Hill and Nickols. Nays: None. Absent: Ducastel. Motion Carried.

Motion by Rhodabeck, supported by Fredline to approve the purchase from Deer Creek Sales for a new diesel lawn mower in the amount \$13,925.00 from Capital Outlay Funds. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Culpepper, Rhodabeck, Fredline, Hetherington, Hill and Nickols. Nays: None. Absent: Ducastel. Motion Carried.

Moved by Rhodabeck, seconded by Nickols to authorize moving the garage donated from the funeral home at a cost not to exceed \$4,000.00. Roll Call Vote: Yeas: Culpepper, Hetherington, Rhodabeck, Fredline, Nickols and Hill. Nays: None. Absent: Ducastel. Motion carried.

Training opportunities- Michigan Marijuana webinar series. 2019 MAMC Conference clerk attending June 17-21 and Clerk and Deputy attending clerking 101 June 17 and 18

Moved by Fredline, seconded by Rhodabeck to adjourn. The motion was unanimous and the meeting adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Paula Willoughby  
Clerk

Micheal Culpepper  
Mayor