

CITY OF WAYLAND, MI
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

JUNE 21, 2010

CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Mayor Bala opened the Regular City Council Meeting at 7:00 PM.

1. PRELIMINARY

1.1 Call to Order and Welcome by Mayor Bala

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

1.3 Roll Call: Mayor Bala & Councilmembers Antel, Hudson, Kobish, Patrick, Hamilton & Mauchmar

Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Chris Yonker, Deputy City Manager/Finance Director Bhama Cairns, Fire Chief Joe Miller, DPW Director Pierre Brazeau, Denise Behm – Wayland Area Chamber of Commerce & Joe Hamilton

1.4 Excuse absent Councilmembers: None

1.5 Approval of Meeting Agenda: Moved by Councilmember Kobish, seconded by Councilmember Mauchmar to approve the meeting agenda; **passed unanimously.**

2. CEREMONIAL ITEMS – None

3. ROUTINE BUSINESS ITEMS

3.1 Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held June 7, 2010

3.2 Regular Invoice Register dated 6/18/2010 totaling \$36,838.08

Moved by Councilmember Patrick, seconded by Councilmember Hamilton to approve the routine agenda items; **passed unanimously.**

4. BRIEF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

6. OLD BUSINESS: None

7. NEW BUSINESS:

7.1 Professional Services Engagement for Auditing Services with Siegfried Crandall, PC

Moved by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Patrick to authorize the City Manager to execute the audit engagement letter with Siegfried Crandall, PC as the City's audit firm for FYE 6/30/2010; **passed unanimously.**

7.2 Year-end Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year 2009-10

Moved by Councilmember Hamilton, seconded by Councilmember Antel to authorize the Amendments to the Fiscal Year 2009/2010 Budget as contained in the staff recommendation to the City Council.

Roll Call: Councilmembers Patrick, Hudson, Hamilton, Antel, Kobish & Mauchmar and Mayor Bala. **All Yes; passed unanimously.**

7.3 Renewal of Professional Services Engagement for Economic Development and Business Retention Services with the Wayland Area Chamber of Commerce

Moved by Councilmember Hamilton, seconded by Councilmember Hudson to authorize the renewal of the Purchase of Service Agreement with the Wayland Area Chamber of Commerce with the understanding that the services and/or contract amount(s) will be subject to modification once the Michigan Main Street program is in place. Councilmember Antel asked what events will be covered by the Chamber. Councilmember Patrick supports the Chamber's efforts in Wayland. The renewal rate remains the same since 2004 @ \$595 per month. **Passed unanimously.**

7.4 Transitioning to Hybrid Monthly/Quarterly Utility Billing Policy

Moved by Councilmember Hamilton, seconded by Councilmember Patrick to support initial discussion and review of this item.

Finance Director Cairns reviewed the proposed transition to a hybrid monthly/quarterly utility billing cycle. After lengthy discussion, it was moved by Councilmember Kobish, seconded by Councilmember Hudson to table this item to a later meeting; **passed unanimously.**

7.5 Initial Discussion: Development of Fund Balance/Reserve Policies

Following a brief discussion on the material in the Council packets, the consensus of the Council was to include this item in a work session later this year.

8. BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS: None

9. REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS

9.1 Announcements/Reports

- **City Manager** – Mr. Yonker reported the Chamber has offered the City a full-page ad for half-price again this year. Mr. Yonker mentioned the wayfinding sign photo will be part of this year's ad.

The Chamber's Business Expo is October 2nd this year. Council agreed to again use a single exhibit space this year.

The Chamber Golf Outing is August 6th. Mr. Yonker asked if the City had a team interested in participating this year. The cost is \$280 per four-some.

Casino Update: The Gun Lake Tribe is looking for letters from the community opposing a new Casino on the site of the former Muskegon Race Track. Council consensus was to not take a position on the issue.

Michigan Main Street: The DDA/MI Main Street Board is looking into a possible celebration downtown in July, possibly on a Friday or Saturday.

Rabbit River Park: MC Smith is scheduled June 30th from 9:00 AM to approximately noon to look at possible trail staking. Preliminary plans possibly the week of July 12th.

- **City Clerk** – The State of Michigan is rolling out another unfunded mandate for the election process referred to as the MOVE Act. The City Clerk will be attending a conference this week for training on the MOVE Act..
- **Finance Director** – Nothing
- **Fire Chief** - Nothing
- **Wayland Union Student Representative** – The new Wayland Union Student Representative QuinC Gonzales will join the Council in the fall.
- **Mayor and Councilmember Comments:**

Councilmember Patrick asked if PCI does the City's code and zoning enforcement. Construction dumpsters in the downtown; are there any restrictions?

Councilmember Antel noted that the sponsorships for the Concerts in the Park, program will be finalized this week. Ms. Antel will not be at the next meeting, Tuesday, July 6th.

Councilmember Hudson asked if we had two new police officers.

Councilmember Hamilton received positive comments for the quick response from the City about the problem along the County Drain near Hickory Drive.

Councilmember Mauchmar asked about the dumpster in the downtown.

Mayor Bala attended Trent Podskalan's graduation party.

9.2 Written Communications Transmitted with Meeting Packet:

- Planning Commission Minutes of April 13, 2010
- DDA Minutes of May 20 & 25, 2010

10. EXTENDED PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Citizen Joe Hamilton addressed the Council regarding Wildflower Ridge problems. Residents are using this area to dump grass, trash and have parties. Mr. Hamilton asked if the City would consider shutting off the streetlights and block access to the street in Wildflower.

Denise Behm, Executive Director of the Wayland Area Chamber of Commerce, thanked the City Council for its support with the contract renewal. Ms. Behm indicated the Chamber was excited about the Main Street program for Wayland. She reported that Dorr just officially canceled the Independence Day Parade due to road construction in Dorr Township this year. Ms. Behm asked Council's feedback about contacting Dorr Recreation to bring the Independence Day Parade to Wayland this year. Ms. Behm felt the same route used for Memorial Day Parade would work for the Independence Day Parade Route. Ms. Behm mentioned perhaps Nan Olney could help with the parade.

11. **ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business before the Council, Mayor Bala adjourned the meeting at 9:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Herman, City Clerk

Tim Bala, Mayor