

**CITY OF FENTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**  
**Monday, September 25, 2017**  
**City Hall Council Chambers**  
**301 South LeRoy Street**

Mayor Osborn called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

The invocation for the evening was given by Father Todd Koenigsknecht from St. John's Catholic Church and was followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Draves, Grossmeyer, Jacob, Lockwood, McDermott, Osborn, Smith.  
Absent: None.  
Others Present: Lynn Markland, City Manager; Michael Hart, Assistant City Manager; Jason Slater, Chief of Police and Stephen Schultz, Legal Counsel.

Mayor Osborn asked for a moment of silence to observe the passing of Senator Ken Horn's granddaughter and offered condolences to the family.

**POLICE LIEUTENANT OATH OF OFFICE**

Mayor Osborn congratulated Sergeant Jeffrey Cross on his promotion to Lieutenant and administered the Oath of Office to Lieutenant Cross.

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS** – Osborn commented she distributed City Manager evaluation forms to Councilmembers and would like them returned to her by October 1<sup>st</sup>. She reminded all the sculpture unveiling is October 5<sup>th</sup>.

**CITY MANAGER'S REPORT** – Markland reported on the following:

- Gave an updated on the Riggs and Poplar Street projects.
- The Caroline Street extension is scheduled to start soon.
- The construction of the concrete pad in front of the Community Center where the sculpture will be placed should begin tomorrow and the sculpture will be installed early next week.

**COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

Lockwood commented there is a Jinglefest meeting this Friday and reminded all the joint Parks Board cleanup and Beautification Commission planting day is scheduled for October 21<sup>st</sup>. She stated there is a fundraiser prior to the October 5<sup>th</sup> sculpture unveiling and monies raised will be used for youth and children arts programs.

Smith commented she attended COPS event this past Saturday and stated it was a nice event. She spoke to a resident who had interaction with the DPW and were very complimentary of their work. She has talked to five residents who have asked why the tennis courts at the Community Center have not been resurfaced. She believes three years ago funds were budgeted to resurface the courts.

McDermott commented the Parks Board recently discussed the tennis courts and many residents have asked about pickleball courts. He stated resurfacing the courts is something the Parks Board can look at budgeting for in a future fiscal year. He gave an update on Applefest and thanked the Police Department for their help during the event.

Grossmeyer commented he also attended the COPS event and it was a great event and well attended. He commented the City will host the Small Cities meeting on November 1<sup>st</sup> at the Fenton Hotel. A speaker from the MML convention will be the guest speaker at the Small Cities meeting. Draves gave an update on the dog park.

**LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT** – Schultz commented his office received the executed cross easement agreements between McDonalds and Culvers. He stated it has been five years since the Fire Hall transaction closed and the owners of the Fire Hall can take title to the property if they wish. He will be out of town for the October 9<sup>th</sup> Council meeting and Chris Patterson will attend in his place.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS** – None.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Osborn reviewed all items that were on the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Lockwood and seconded by McDermott to approve the consent agenda containing the following items:

- Authorize payment of invoices in the amount of \$129,658.18.
- Approve and place on file the minutes of the July 13, 2017 Oakwood Cemetery Board meeting; the August 8, 2017 Parks and Recreation Board meeting; the August 15, 2017, August 29, 2017 and September 11, 2017 Downtown Development Authority meetings and the September 11, 2017 City Council meeting.
- Approve two peddlers’ permits for Pure Energy Window Company.
- Approve casting ballot for incumbent Directors for the Michigan Municipal League Liability and Property Pool Board of Directors.
- Appoint April Parillo to the Museum Board.
- Appoint Jason Slater as the voting alternate representative to the Flint Area Narcotics Group (FANG) Board.

YEAS: Draves, Grossmeyer, Jacob, Lockwood, McDermott, Osborn, Smith.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: None. Motion carried by a roll call vote.

**SALE OF PROPERTY IN THE EAGLES ON THE WATERS EDGE AND ORCHARD HILLS DEVELOPMENTS**

Hart stated the City currently has two vacant parcels in the Eagles on the Waters Edge Development and four vacant parcels in the Orchard Hills Developments. All parcels are under contract for sale to Allen Edwin Homes. The title company has requested resolutions from City Council in order to compete the sale. Two resolutions are presented for Council consideration.

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-16**

A motion was made by Smith and seconded by Grossmeyer to adopt Resolution No. 17-16, which authorizes the sale of property in Waters Edge Villas and authorizes the City Manager to execute the necessary documents to effect the sale of property.

YEAS: Grossmeyer, Jacob, Lockwood, McDermott, Osborn, Smith, Draves.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: None. **RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.**

**RESOLUTION NO. 17-17**

A motion was made by McDermott and seconded by Grossmeyer to adopt Resolution No. 17-17, which authorizes the sale of property in Orchard Hills Condominium and authorizes the City Manager to execute the necessary documents to effect the sale of property.

YEAS: Jacob, Lockwood, McDermott, Osborn, Smith, Draves, Grossmeyer.  
NAYS: None.  
ABSENT: None. **RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.**

**REVENUE SHARING AGREEMENTS**

Hart stated the Local Development Finance Authority (LDFA) and Downtown Development Authority (DDA) approved reimbursements to the General Fund for public services provided to those districts. Before these transfers can occur, an agreement between the City and LDFA, and an agreement between the City and DDA must be approved. Both agreements are presented tonight for consideration and he is recommending Council approve the agreements.

**LDFA**

A motion was made by Lockwood and seconded by Jacob to approve the agreement, per the fiscal year 2017-2018 budget and reimburse \$100,000 of LDFA funds to the General Fund for essential public services in the LDFA District. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

**DDA**

A motion was made by McDermott and seconded by Smith to approve the agreement, per the fiscal year 2017-2018 budget and reimburse \$350,000 of DDA funds to the General Fund for an incremental increase in demand for public services in the DDA district. Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

**CALL TO THE AUDIENCE** – Michael Romines, 834 Sinclair Street, stated he is speaking on behalf of his wife as well. He stated that on June 12, 2017, they made a complaint to Council about the City Manager and the lawn care company at Oakwood Cemetery. He is not satisfied with the response from the City and he raised additional concerns about the Police Chief.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:12 PM.

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Mayor Sue Osborn

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City Clerk, Renee Wilson

Date approved: November 13, 2017