

MINUTES
THE CITY OF THE VILLAGE OF DOUGLAS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
DOUGLAS CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
86 W. CENTER STREET, DOUGLAS, MI 49406
May 20, 2019 – 7:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order by Mayor Anderson at 7:00 P.M.
2. Roll Call: Present – Anderson, Harvath, Lion, Miller, Mooradian, and Seabert.
Absent & Excused – North
Also Present – City Manager LeFevere, City Treasurer Carpenter, and City Planner Imus.
3. Pledge of Allegiance – Mayor
4. Consent Calendar
 - A. May 20, 2019 Agenda
 - B. May 6, 2019 Meeting Minutes
 - C. May 13, 2019 Budget Workshop Minutes

*Motion by Seabert, supported by Mooradian, to approve the consent calendar as presented.
Motion carried with unanimous roll call vote.*

5. Approval of Invoices
 - A. Invoices for May 20, 2019 in the amount of \$ ~~94,953.30~~ \$ 101,530.00.
Motion by Harvath, supported by Seabert, to approve the Invoices for May 6, 2019 in the amount of \$~~94,953.30~~ \$101,530.00 as amended. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
6. Appointments/Resignations/Proclamations/Presentation
7. Public Communications
 - A. Verbal (Limit of three (3) minutes on agenda items only)
David Jankovich questioned why residents of Douglas had to pay to launch their boats.
Sara Donovan, request Council consider installing sidewalks along Union Street from the Blue Star Hwy. to Center St.
 - B. Written Communications
 - i. Thank you note from Dutchers Base Ball
 - ii. MML Loss Control Achievement Awards
 - iii. Ronna Alexander RE: Republic Recycle Program
Resident believes Republic does not have a readily available printed list to clarify what they take or do not take in regards to recycle material. She provided (3) three alternatives that she believes would better suit the community.
Council members discussed the current contract, the possibility of exchanging recycle containers for the currently used yellow bags, and enforcement of the noise ordinance when drivers arrive earlier than 7:00 a.m.
 - iv. National Multiple Sclerosis Society
 - v. State of Michigan RE: Receipt of Baseline Environmental Assessment
8. Unfinished Business

- A. Resolution No. 19-2019 Resolution Approving Conveyance to Brownfield Redevelopment Authority of Real Property.
Motion by Harvath, supported by Seabert, to approve Resolution No. 19-2019 a Resolution of Council Approving Conveyance to Brownfield Redevelopment Authority of Real Property Commonly known as 200 Blue Star Highway, Douglas, Michigan. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
 - B. Resolution No. 20-2019 Resolution Adopting Amended City of the Village of Douglas Council Rules.
Motion by Harvath, supported by Seabert, to approve Resolution No. 20-2019 a Resolution to Adopt Amended City of the Village of Douglas Council Rules. Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.
 - C. Target Market Analysis – Housing & Retail Discussion:
Imus has heard concerns regarding the Market Analysis presentation in regards to big box stores. The presenter was not stating the area is in need of big box stores, however she was stating if not careful the area could see them. The design suggested was smaller units with living space above retail. Currently there is a developer and real estate agent interested in the plan as well as working with the city to implement the idea. Imus will set a meeting date for Council and Planning Commission to go over the Market Analysis together.
9. New Business
- A. 2019-20 Budget – Continue Discussion
Carpenter implemented changes from last Budget session into the proposed budget. An increase to planting materials, the Comcast WI fi quote, park repairs and reserve funding were added. LeFevere confirmed the go ahead from Council on hiring a 5th DPW employee and requested the new Police vehicle be ordered as it would take 90 days to arrive. The bids have gone out for the DPW building and removal of the Wade’s Bayou building. The idea of establishing a compensation committee was presented to council.
10. Reports
- A. Commission / Committee / Board Reports
 - 1. Planning Commission – Imus reported the Planning Commission had opted out of recreational marijuana until more details from the State are received. Other items being worked on by Planning are the Housing & Retail Analysis and the Sign Ordinance.
 - 2. Kalamazoo Lake Sewer Water – The master metering project is about 2/3 of the way completed.
 - 3. Kalamazoo Lake Harbor Authority – No Report
 - 4. Downtown Development Authority – Lion reported the budget has been finalized, gave an update of the events, and informed everyone present that Josh Albright from the CVB has left his position.
 - 5. Fire Board – Miller reported the Fire Board has proposed a .2% increase to pay for the new employee. There is currently a resident of Douglas who phones for assistance frequently and the Dept. is attempting to deal with the issue through cost recovery.
 - 6. Community Recreation – No report
 - 7. Douglas Harbor Authority - No report
 - B. Staff Reports
 - 1. Community Development / Planning / Zoning – Imus updated those present on the Barrel refinishing project. There will be a need for scaffolding and the project will be time consuming.
 - 2. Finance / Budget – Carpenter
 - 3. Manager’s Report / Comments

11. Public Communications – None

12. Council Comments

Mooradian asked about the sidewalks discussed on Union and Harbor Rd. She will finish out her term on the Fire Board.

Lion spoke with school members who reported wooden playground structures are being removed from play areas. She hopes the individuals who would like to donate play equipment at Schultz Park are aware of this.

Seabert gave an update on the Center St. planting schedule and reminded everyone present that the Pride Event will be next weekend.

13. Mayor’s Report / Comments - Anderson

14. Closed Session

Motion by Mooradian to go into Closed Session in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of the Open Meeting Act for the purpose of discussing Police Negotiations – Motion carried with a unanimous yes vote of those present.

Motion by Harvath, with support from Seabert, to end the closed session and return to the regular meeting at 8:40 P.M. – roll call vote

15. Adjournment – by Chair Anderson at 9:04 P.M.

Approved by: _____ Date _____
Linda Anderson, Mayor

Approved by: _____ Date _____
Pamela Alderink, City Clerk