

REGULAR MEETING OF THE WEST BRANCH CITY COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF CITY HALL, 121 NORTH FOURTH STREET, MONDAY, JULY 15, 2002

Mayor Todd Thompson called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Todd Thompson, Council Members Gregory Clark, William Ehinger, Paul Frechette, Kim Ervans, Russell Jackson, Chad Lucas

Absent: None

Other officers present: City Manager Patrick McGinnis, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Debra Heisler, Police Chief Rodger Williams, Attorney Christine Juarez, County Commissioner Clarice Sperry

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

Additions to the Agenda:

Kent Davison requested \$400.00 be allocated from Parks & Recreation funds for painting at Irons Park.

A request was received from Steve Norton's family to place a bench on the Riverwalk in memory of Steve. This bench would be placed at the back of the Little League fields along the Riverwalk.

MOTION BY JACKSON, SECOND BY CLARK, TO ALLOW A BENCH TO BE PLACED ALONG THE RIVERWALK IN MEMORY OF STEVE NORTON.

Yes – Clark, Ehinger, Ervans, Frechette, Jackson, Lucas, Thompson

No – None

Absent – None

Motion carried

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MOTION BY LUCAS, SECOND BY JACKSON, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AND SUMMARY OF THE REGULAR MEETING HELD JULY 1, 2002.

Yes – Clark, Ehinger, Ervans, Frechette, Jackson, Lucas, Thompson

No – None

Absent – None

Motion carried

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MOTION BY JACKSON, SECOND BY CLARK, TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING HELD JUNE 25, 2002, THE JUNE POLICE REPORTS, AND THE JUNE TREASURER'S REPORT.

Yes – Clark, Ehinger, Ervans, Frechette, Jackson, Lucas, Thompson

No – None

Absent – None

Motion carried

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MOTION BY THOMPSON, SECOND BY EHINGER, TO APPROVE PEDDLERS AND SOLICITORS APPLICATION FOR "POWER PAW" 4H K9 CLUB TO SELL SOYWAY CANDLES JULY 26 & 27 IN FRONT OF KIMBALL GLASS.

Yes – Clark, Ehinger, Ervans, Frechette, Jackson, Lucas, Thompson

No – None

Absent – None

Motion carried

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MOTION BY THOMPSON, SECOND BY EHINGER, TO DENY THE PEDDELRS AND SOLICITORS APPLICATION FROM SANDY FREY TO SELL CHIPS DURING THE HOG RALLY.

Yes – Clark, Ehinger, Ervans, Frechette, Jackson, Lucas, Thompson

No – None

Absent – None

Motion carried

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MOTION BY CLARK, SECOND BY EHINGER, TO ALLOW A CHANGE IN THE TIME OF PUTTING UP THE RODS & RELICS CAR CLUB BANNER FROM JULY 22, 2002 TO AUGUST 4, 2002.

Yes – Clark, Ehinger, Ervans, Frechette, Jackson, Lucas, Thompson

No – None

Absent – None

Motion carried

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Paul Olson from Michigan Township Participating Plan was present at the meeting. He discussed a meeting he had with Mr. McGinnis earlier in the day on risk control.

Paul Olson also relayed that the City would have insurance coverage for the HOG Rally and asked that the street jumper get an insurance policy listing the City as an additional insured just for safety sake.

Mr. Olson also stated that the IGA building can be insured for the purchase price or replacement costs, and that the parking lot would be insured should the purchase of the building go through.

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MOTION BY THOMPSON, SECOND BY JACKSON, TO APPOINT PATRICK MCGINNIS AND JANE TENNANT AS DELEGATE AND ALTERNATE FOR THE MICHIGAN MUNICIPAL LEAGUE ANNUAL CONFERENCE SEPTEMBER 11 – 13.

Yes – Clark, Ehinger, Ervans, Frechette, Jackson, Lucas, Thompson

No – None

Absent – None

Motion carried

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City Attorney Christine Juarez was present at the meeting. The only issue she had was on the IGA building.

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County Commissioner Clarice Sperry was present. She read a letter from Lori Rau an employee at the County Building. The letter was in reference to the pedestrian crossing at Houghton and Eighth Street.

Total **10,000** **12,727**

Fund 591: Water Fund

Carry Over **July 1, 2002** **125,124**
July 1, 2003 **157,851**

2001/2002 **2001/2002**
Budget **Amended**

Expenditures

Contractual Services **10,000** **13,316**

Total **133,365** **136,681**

Fund 671: Plant Replacement

Carry Over **July 1, 2002** **188,068**
July 1, 2003 **129,168**

2001/2002 **2001/2002**
Budget **Amended**

Expenditures

Contractual Services **2,000** **48,835**

Total **2,000** **48,835**

2002/2003 **2002/2003**
Budget **Amended**

Expenditures

Contractual Services **60,000** **113,900**

Total **60,000** **113,900**

Yes – Clark, Ehinger, Ervans, Frechette, Jackson, Lucas, Thompson

No – None **Absent – None** **Motion carried**

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MOTION BY LUCAS, SECOND BY EHINGER, TO APPROVE THE SENIOR CENTER RENTAL POLICY.

Yes – Clark, Ehinger, Ervans, Frechette, Jackson, Lucas, Thompson

No – None **Absent – None** **Motion carried**

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Discussion was held on the Senior Center hosting the Adult Day Care. Debbie Bills was present representing Hospice and the Adult Day Care. The Commission on Aging has agreed to have the people from Adult Day Care at the Senior Center while they are there. The seniors themselves have some concerns including these people on a daily basis.

Mr. McGinnis requested that he be allowed to help the Adult Day Care look for another facility. Council agreed to let him assist them.

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MOTION BY THOMPSON, SECOND BY ERVANS, TO REJECT THE BID OF \$886.00 ON THE OLD POLICE CAR.

Yes – Clark, Ehinger, Ervans, Frechette, Jackson, Lucas, Thompson

No – None

Absent – None

Motion carried

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Viewer participation. No one called.

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MOTION BY THOMPSON, SECOND BY LUCAS, TO ADJOURN AT 8:55 P.M.

Todd Thompson, Mayor

Jane Tennant, Clerk

Approved: August 5, 2002