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CITY OF WAYNE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING - #2019-03
TUESDAY, JANUARY 15, 2019 - 8:00 P.M.
WAYNE CITY HALL

A regular meeting of the Wayne City Council was held on Tuesday, January 15, 2019, at 8:00 p.m. at the Wayne City Hall, 3355 South Wayne Road.

Mayor Rhaesa called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and led the Council and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members Present: Mayor John P. Rhaesa, Mayor Pro Tem Thomas E. Porter, Anthony W. Miller, Jeremiah Webster, Kevin J. Dowd, Kelly S. Skiff, Phillip A. Wagner

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Lisa Nocerini, City Manager, Michael Bosnic Asst. City Attorney, Eileen DeHart, City Clerk

01-19-0010 Motion by Webster, seconded by Skiff, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the agenda.

01-19-0011 Motion by Porter, seconded by Webster, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the minutes of the Rescheduled Meeting of January 8, as written.

The City Council presented former State Representative Bob Kosowski a key to the City. Representative Kosowski made comments.

Steve Hitchcock from the City Attorney's office made a presentation regarding the newly passed Recreational Marijuana Law. He explained the intricacies of the newly enacted law.

City Finance Director Katie Sample made a presentation regarding the City Audit.

Plante Moran made a presentation regarding the Financial State of the City.

01-19-0012 Motion by Webster, seconded by Skiff, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to declare February as Black History Month in the City of Wayne. The official Resolution was read into the record by Clerk DeHart.

01-19-0013 Motion by Porter, seconded by Webster, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve and publish the second reading of Ordinance #2019-01 regarding the repeal of Chapter 232-Recreation Foundation.

01-19-0014 Motion by Porter, seconded by Webster, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the appointment of Willie Coleman to the Board of Review until 2020.

01-19-0015 Motion by Wagner, seconded by Webster, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the appointment of Albert Damitio to the Board of Review until 2020.

01-19-0016 Motion by Skiff, seconded by Porter, and unanimously carried it was resolved to approve the appointment of Debra Waas to the Board of Review until 2020.

01-19-0017 Motion by Webster, seconded by Skiff, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the appointment of Lois Van Stipdonk to the Wayne Library Board until 2024.

By consent of Council, Communications and Reports were received and filed or acted upon as indicated:

01-19-0018 Motion by Porter, seconded by Wagner, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the December 31, 2018 Revenue and Expenditure Report.

01-19-0019 Motion by Miller, seconded by Webster, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to accept and file the Investment Report for the City of Wayne.

01-19-0020 Motion by Miller, seconded by Porter, and unanimously carried it was resolved to approve Change Order #1 – final with Altech Doors for additional work at the former Building & Engineering Building, 4001 S. Wayne Rd., in the amount of \$700.00 to be paid from the proceeds of the sale of the building.

01-19-0021 Motion by Wagner, seconded by Porter, and unanimously carried it was resolved to approve Change Order #1 – final with Great Lakes Contracting for the 2018 Sidewalk Removal& Replacement Project in the amount of (\$7,480.88) to be credited to the Road Millage Fund.

01-19-0022 Motion by Webster, seconded by Porter, and unanimously carried it was resolved to approve the appointment of Giamarco, Mullins & Horton, Troy, Michigan to provide legal services and serve as City Attorney.

01-19-0023 Motion by Miller, seconded by Webster, it was resolved to approve a proposal from EMPCO Incorporated to perform a Chief of Police Assessment and Evaluation for the Wayne Police Chief candidates to be taken from Personnel Contracted Service. A roll call was requested with the vote as follows: AYES: Miller, Webster, Wagner, Dowd, Rhaesa; NAYS: Porter, Skiff. The motion prevailed.

01-19-0024 Motion by Porter, seconded by Webster, and unanimously carried it was resolved to approve a resolution for the City of Wayne Poverty Exemption for 2019.

Discussion was held regarding changing the "Policies and Procedures of the Wayne City

Council.

01-19-0025 Motion by Wagner, seconded by Porter, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to direct the Mayor to appoint a Committee of Council Members to investigate potential changes and/or updates to the "Policies and Procedures of Wayne City Council".

Discussion was held regarding the Wayne City Council's 2019 vision and goals. Members shared their wishes for the advancement of the City.

01-19-0026 Motion by Webster, seconded by Skiff, to table the discussion of the Workplace Assessment Report. A roll call was requested with the vote as follows: AYES: Porter, Webster, Skiff, Wagner, Dowd, Rhaesa; NAYS: Miller. The motion prevailed.

There was no discussion as a motion to Table is not debatable.

Administration report was given by Lisa Nocerini, City Manager. She gave an update on and answered questions from the previous meeting: Parks and Trails Commission and the projects they are working on; the Tattoo Shop demolition is at a standstill and there is pending litigation; obsolete road construction signs are no longer in the right of way; DPW cleaned the leaves from the sidewalk of the Library; the For Sale sign isn't removed from the City property as the sale has not been closed yet; the lighting assessment is to be renewed this year; employees for the City are very hardworking and dedicated and administration appreciates their sacrifices; she asked the Historical Society to give an update on the sesquicentennial and a piece of history of the City; she asked the Acting Police Chief Strong to give an update on his Department and he shared that two officers just completed the Police Academy and two more will be currently in the program and stated how much the \$81,000.00 grant secured by City Manager Nocerini for in-car cameras and body cameras are an invaluable asset; she asked Mike Bosnic, City Attorney, to give an update and he stated the Vacant Property Report is almost ready for Council action and the Sidewalk Ordinance is currently be addressed.

Upon request of Mayor Rhaesa for comments from the public on matters not covered by the Council Agenda, the following were expressed:

Mark Blackwell of Wayne made comments to the Council regarding the Hostile Work Environment allegations.

Victor Osborne of Wayne spoke on his objection to no bid contracts.

Kathryn Sample, City Employee, spoke on the City of Wayne being a great place to work.

Tyler Moll from the Historical Museum shared the great things happening at the Museum including the increase in visitors over the years; the wonderful articles recently in the newspapers; shared that Channel 7 news visited the Museum; the St. Mary's exhibit on the history of the school is currently on display; there will be a High School Art Show in March, and there may be an important historical artifact coming back to the Museum. He shared the hours for the Museum are Wednesdays 10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. and Thursdays 10:00 a.m. to 6:00

p.m.

Kathy Rockwell of Wayne asked when there is a special presentation for the microphones to be turned around so the audience and viewer at home can hear.

Ed Queen, City Employee, spoke on the staff of the City and how great they are. He stated the City does not have a hostile work environment and asked for that issue to be put in the past so the City can move forward.

Vern Amos of Wayne and a member of the Neighborhood Patrol commented on how helpful the Police Department is in assisting the Patrol and to remind residents to safe guard their property by locking their car doors, making sure their garage doors are closed at night and turning on porch lights when it gets dark.

Bob Shirlin of Westland (former Wayne resident) asked the Council to be careful when they consider the tax base of the City; not to give up on Wayne and to look to the future of Wayne.

Bernadette Brock of Wayne and a member of the Families Against Narcotics stated the organization will be holding a meeting at the Recreation Center and that she supports a review of the City Charter to make sure there are not outdated sections.

Eric Cleereman thanked the Park Commission. He shared there will be a meeting at Livonia City Hall where a discussion will take place with County Executive Warren Evans on the sale of Hines Park and encourage residents to attend.

There were no "Consent Items" on the agenda.

01-19-0027 Motion by Porter, seconded by Skiff, and unanimously carried, it was resolved to adjourn the meeting at 10:48 p.m.

John P. Rhaesa
Mayor

Eileen DeHart, CMC, CMMC
City Clerk

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