

CITY OF WALLED LAKE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday, August 16, 2022 7:30 p.m.

Confidential Assistant Ms. Hana Jaquays welcomed participants to the hybrid meeting. Ms. Jaquays introduced city staff and board members attending the meeting city officials; City Attorney Vanerian, City Clerk Stuart, Finance Director Pesta, General Services Director Schrader, DPW Superintendent Ladd, Fire Chief Coomer, Police Chief Shakinas, Deputy Police Chief Kolke.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Ackley.

PLEDGE TO FLAG & INVOCATION

Invocation by Mayor Pro Tem Lublin.

ROLL CALL Mayor Ackley, Mayor Pro Tem Lublin, Council Member

Ambrose, Council Member Fernandes, Council Member Owsinek,

and Council Member Woods

There being a quorum present, the meeting was declared in session.

OTHERS PRESENT City Manager Whitt, Confidential Assistant Jaquays, General

Service Director Schrader, Finance Director Pesta, Police Chief Shakinas, Deputy Police Chief Kolke, Fire Chief Coomer, City Attorney Vanerian, DPW Superintendent Ladd, and City Clerk

Stuart

CM 08-01-22 MOTION TO EXCUSE COUNCIL MEMBER LOCH FROM TONIGHT'S MEETING

Motion by Lublin, seconded by Ambrose, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED: To excuse Council Member Loch from tonight's meeting.

City Manager Whitt asked that the City Clerk have the record to show Council Member Fernandes was present at the June 21, 2022 meeting.

Council Member Fernandes said minutes were reviewed and she is all set.

REQUESTS FOR AGENDA CHANGES

City Manager Whitt introduced a proposed resolution for Phase 2 of the Greenaway Drain restorations and Trail Head. City Manager Whitt said copies were provided to council this evening.

City Attorney Vanerian explained he has a proposed resolution prepared and it is part of the confidential attorney client communications for closed session.

Mayor Ackley added City Manager Whitt's proposed resolution under new business as item #4.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

City Clerk Stuart explained for those participating via electronic means they have option to press *9 on their telephone keypad to signal the raise hand feature to be called upon. City Clerk Stuart requested that name and address be provided, and each will have three minutes to share their comments.

There was no audience participation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Regular Council Meeting of June 21, 2022

CM 08-02-22 MOTION TO APPROVE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 21, 2022

Motion by Fernandes, seconded by Ambrose, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED: To approve public hearing and regular council meeting minutes of June 21, 2022.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes (6)	Fernandes, Lublin, Owsinek, Woods, Ambrose, Ackley
Nays (0)	
Absent (1)	Loch
Abstain (0)	

COUNCIL REPORTS None

Mayor Pro Tem Lublin said the Library Board met last month and the library director provided statistical reports. Mayor Pro Tem Lublin explained the number of patrons has increased as well as the circulation and library media check out almost doubling from prior years. Mayor Pro Tem Lublin opined these reports show the library is being run well and being utilized by the community.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- 1. Departmental / Divisional Statistical Reports
 - a. Police
 - b. Fire
 - c. Code Enforcement
 - d. Finance

-Warrant

CM 08-03-22 MOTION TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE DEPARTMENTAL / DIVISIONAL STATISTICAL REPORTS

Motion by Lublin, seconded by Owsinek, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED: To receive and file the departmental / divisional statistical reports.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes (6) Lublin, Owsinek, Woods, Ambrose, Fernandes, Ackley

Nays (0)

Absent (1) Loch

Abstain (0)

2. Code Enforcement Violations Update

City Manager Whitt explained there are documented code violations by businesses and residents of the community. City Manager Whitt explained the packet provided to council is a list of locations where violations were to be found. City Manager Whitt said some are persistent violators and not good corporate neighbors. City Manager Whitt explained the Sunoco gas station on the corner of Pontiac Trail and Maple Road is an example, they are consistent violator. City Manager Whitt explained violators are contacted, on site visitations are conducted and citations are being issued to those violators. City Manager Whitt asked Police Chief Shakinas to report.

Police Chief Shakinas explained several sites were visited, property owners issued warning letters and phone calls to personally notify them. Police Chief Shakinas explained the apartments at 14 Mile and E. Walled Lake Drive is an example.

City Manager Whitt said the owner of these properties are slum lords.

Police Chief Shakinas explained the owner was cited and they will be before a judge. Police Chief Shakinas explained City Code Enforcement has tried to work with these people for a while and citations for cleanup have been issued. Police Chief Shakinas explained the property at 416 Nicolet received two citations last week. City Manager Whitt said 416 Nicolet needs to be cleaned up.

Police Chief Shakinas explained the properties owned by Orchard Grove Church at 850 Ladd, the youth building location has multiple fallen trees, and nothing has been done to clean up the site. Police Chief Shakinas showed council pictures of the abandoned guard shack also on site with a collapsed roof and deteriorating walls, opining the church is not maintaining their property.

City Manager Whitt explained the entire site for Orchard Grove Church is a giant failure on the part of the leadership of the church organization. City Manager Whitt said Orchard Grove Church also owns the roadway into the Ladd Road complex. City Manager Whitt explained Orchard Grove Church has sold off several of their parcels within the Ladd Road complex, however, the part that is still owned by Orchard Grove Church, will fall to the city and taxpayers to clean up if the church does not clean up their property. City Manager Whitt said Orchard Grove Church runs as a corporation, the leadership of this corporation is failing the city. City Manager Whitt has invited Orchard Grove Church and its representatives to contact the city to move forward with clean up. City Manager Whitt said Orchard Grove Church is not responsive. City Manager Whitt said those parishioner's who may be listening to tonight's meeting need to ask the pastor why this is not being fixed.

Fire Chief Coomer explained the nonfunctional water tower at 850 Ladd is owned by Orchard Grove Church. Chief Coomer explained the tower was designed for fire protection for the five buildings prior to the city having a water system. Chief Coomer explained the tower was disconnected several years ago and there has not been any upkeep with this tower. Chief Coomer said the tower is abandoned and the stability of the tower is questionable. Chief Coomer said there have been several conversations with Orchard Grove Church to take the tower down. Chief Coomer explained the church wants to paint it and use as a billboard, however paint does not fix the towers instability. Chief Coomer said the fire department has major concerns with its stability and it needs to come down. Chief Coomer explained Orchard Grove Church leadership said they have had a structural engineer review the tower, but nothing has been provided to the city of fire department after several requests. Chief Coomer said the fire department has been working with the church since 2018 on this topic, plenty of time has been provided, plenty of action plans have been provided and no follow through from the church.

City Manager Whitt explained the obsolete water tower is not part of the city's water system. City Manager Whitt said it is not a Walled Lake water tower. City Manager Whitt explained the tower was originally built to provide fire suppression to the complex many years ago. City Manager Whitt said once Orchard Grove purchased these properties, they became responsible for this tower. City Manager Whitt said Orchard Grove leadership needs to face this issue.

Fire Chief Coomer explained there was a deadline for demolition of the water tower for the end of June however, nothing has been communicated from the church and nothing has happened.

City Manager Whitt said this idea of painting the water tower is lipstick on a pig, this is a structural issue, it needs to be taken down.

Police Chief Shakinas explained the warning letters from Code Enforcement were sent and citations will be issued for unsafe building.

City Manager Whitt explained there were also two residences within the city classified as hoarder homes. City Manager Whitt explained both residences have been deemed condemned. City Manager Whitt explained the police department assisted these folks, not a lot of help was provided from the other county institutions and the police department worked to relocate these folks out of danger and into safety. City Manager Whitt explained there is also a home on Bolton, tagged uninhabitable, and the city attorney is moving forward with actions to demolish the home.

Mayor Ackley explained there is also a lot of improvements being made within the city, residential homes making large improvements to their sites, the property owners with outstanding blight issues negatively affect their neighbors.

City Manager Whitt explained eighteen citations have been issued in the last fifteen days. City Manager Whitt said he agrees with Mayor Ackley, these sites need to be cleaned up for safety and those folks that are making the effort and improvements on their properties.

3. Resignation by Abandonment of Board and Committee Member's-Recommending City Council Establish a Policy

City Manager Whitt explained people serving on the boards and commissions who are unwilling or unable to continue, these seats need to be declared vacant. City Manager Whitt said city council needs to create by resolution and finalize by ordinance the declaration of abandonment by not coming to meetings. City Manager Whitt explained this is essentially a resignation of the member's seat. City Manager Whitt explained the Mayor can then make nominations to council for new appointments. City Manager Whitt said for whatever the reason medical or something else, going a year and not showing to their respective board or commission meeting is abandonment of the appointment. City Manager Whitt said if you do not show up and do not give a reason why, this is an abandonment and council needs to have a resolution addressing this. City Manager Whitt said council can do a resolution this evening or make a motion to direct the city attorney to draft and present at the next meeting. City Manager Whitt said there is one member currently on the Planning Commission who has not showed up to a meeting for over a year.

Mayor Ackley said it is not fair to those other board members and residents who do attend or apply.

City Manager Whitt said to have a self-executing policy that says if you do not show you are off the board. City Manager Whitt said it is not a good idea to hold a meeting to remove a member. City Manager Whitt explained the City Clerk will report a vacancy, the Mayor then makes a nomination to council, and council votes for the appointment.

CM 08-04-22

DIRECT CITY ATTORNEY TO DRAFT A SELF EXECUTING DOCUMENT THAT MISSING YOUR DESIGNATED BOARD OR COMMISSION MEETING FOUR TIMES WITHOUT BEING EXCUSED CONFIRMS ABANDONMENT OF SEAT

Motion by Lublin, seconded by Owsinek

Discussion

City Manager Whitt explained when you have people not showing up and you have one board meeting a month, business is delayed.

Council Member Woods asked if it could then be decreased to missing three meetings.

Mayor Pro Tem Lublin asked to the City Attorney review legalities of this.

Mayor Ackley said the city is now offering hybrid zoom meetings so if a board or commission member is not able to attend in person, they can attend electronically.

City Manager Whit said staff is having problems having a quorum to host meetings which delay cases.

CM 08-05-22

MOTION TO AMEND TO DIRECT CITY ATTORNEY TO DRAFT A SELF EXECUTING DOCUMENT THAT MISSING YOUR DESIGNATED BOARD OR COMMISSION MEETING THREE TIMES WITHOUT BEING EXCUSED CONFIRMS ABANDONMENT OF SEAT

Motion by Woods, seconded by Lublin, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED: To direct City Attorney to draft a self-executing document that missing your designated board or commission meeting three times without being excused confirms abandonment of seat.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes (6) Lublin, Owsinek, Woods, Ambrose, Fernandes, Ackley

Nays (0)

Absent (1) Loch

Abstain (0)

Mayor Ackley explained in the past, the boards and commission would host an election every two years for rotation of the chair, vice chair giving different members a chance to hold each position. Mayor Ackley explained this provides opportunity to learn how to run the board or commission. Mayor Ackley asked what council can do to guide these boards to have elections.

City Attorney Vanerian explained he will draft an ordinance with a self-executing procedure in place that it be effectively deemed abandonment if missing a certain number of meetings without being excused and include requirements to work in elections for chairman, vice chairman and other positions the board's may need.

Council Member Fernandes explained if boards and commissions are required to follow Roberts Rules, it is required to have elections.

Mayor Pro Tem Lublin said these people are volunteers, if there is a good chairman, we would not want to get a new one in a rotation.

Mayor Ackley explained she is asking for the other board members to participate in rotation of positions so they all can learn.

Council Member Owsinek explained he is also a member of the Planning Commission, and the commission had an issue where one person who was deemed to be a good chairman, however the board became that person's independent planning commission. Council Member Owsinek said if you rotate every two years all the members obtain experience, and it remains equitable for everybody.

City Manager Whitt explained at a later meeting he will be introducing an ordinance amendment addressing business activity downtown and hours of operation.

Council Member Fernandes asked if this proposed ordinance amendment would go before the DDA.

City Manager Whitt explained there is always discussion to make Walled Lake downtown like other downtowns. City Manager Whitt said the city's downtown will not be like other downtowns, it will be Walled Lake's downtown. City Manager Whitt said parking spaces are needed and we need to bring in businesses. City Manager Whitt opined restricting activity downtown to 9pm, does not assist the businesses.

CORRESPONDENCE None

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Vanerian explained there was direction from council on a home that was deemed uninhabitable to be demolished. City Attorney Vanerian explained court action was taken on a home on Bolton that was heavily damaged about a year ago. City Attorney Vanerian explained he has filed the required court litigation documents and it is up for a hearing tomorrow morning. City Attorney Vanerian said he will provide entry of judgement to allow the city to go onto the property to assess for demolition needs and then fees for demolition would be placed as a special assessment on the property's tax roll. City Attorney Vanerian explained he said before snow fall the house will be torn down. City Attorney Vanerian explained he has spoken with the property owner. City Attorney Vanerian said there is also a mortgage company involved and due notice

must be provided to them as well. City Attorney Vanerian explained there will be entry of a default judgment.

City Manager Whitt said that is good news, if judgement is granted, staff will move forward expeditiously. City Manager Whitt explained in the past, there was a home on Leon Road that the city took action to demolish and another one on Sparks Lane. City Manager Whitt said the people in the surrounding area need this home removed.

1. Michigan Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) Partial Transfer Agreement Regarding Trailway

City Attorney Vanerian explained the proposed agreement essentially replaces the current project agreement that applies to the entire length of the trail. City Attorney Vanerian explained the city was formally a member of the Trailway Council. City Attorney Vanerian explained as part of the process to acquire the property, a project agreement is required by the MDNR. City Attorney Vanerian explained part of the project agreement explains the property cannot be conveyed. City Attorney Vanerian explained this new project agreement is transferring the city's portion of the property from the Trailway Council to the city. City Attorney Vanerian explained the city will take over ownership of the portion of the trailway in Walled Lake. City Attorney Vanerian said the MDNR has finally provided the partial transfer agreement and it is identical to the current project agreement except for the conveyance of Walled Lake's portion of the trailway to Walled Lake. City Attorney Vanerian explained this agreement still needs to be approved by the Trailway Council. City Attorney Vanerian said he is recommending approval.

CM 08-06-22

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2022-30 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WALLED LAKE APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF THE MDNR REQUIRED PARTIAL TRANSFER AGREEMENT APPROVING THE CONVEYANCE OF THE WALLED LAKE PORTION OF THE MICHIGAN AIRLINE TRAILWAY FROM THE COMMERCE, WALLED LAKE, AND WIXOM TRAILWAY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL TO THE CITY OF WALLED LAKE

Motion by Owsinek, seconded by Lublin, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED: To approve resolution 2022-30 a resolution of the City Council of the City of Walled Lake approving and authorizing the execution of the MDNR required partial transfer agreement approving the conveyance of the Walled Lake portion of the Michigan Airline Trailway from the Commerce, Walled Lake, and Wixom Trailway Management Council to the City of Walled Lake

Roll Call Vote

Ayes (6)

Owsinek, Woods, Ambrose, Fernandes, Lublin, Ackley

Nays (0)

Absent (1)

Loch

Abstain (0)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Request for Closed Session to Discuss Confidential Attorney Client Communications regarding 850 Ladd, Building E pursuant to Section 8(d) of the Open Meetings Act

CM 08-07-22

MOTION TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS CONFIDENTIAL ATTORNEY CLIENT COMMUNICATIONS REGARDING 850 LADD, BUILDING E PURSUANT TO SECTION 8(D) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT

Motion by Woods, seconded by Lublin, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED: To enter closed session to discuss confidential attorney client communications regarding 850 Ladd, Building E pursuant to Section 8(d) of the Open Meetings Act.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes (6)

Woods, Ambrose, Fernandes, Lublin, Owsinek, Ackley

Nays (0)

Absent (1)

Loch

Abstain (0)

NEW BUSINESS

1. Second Reading C-362-22 Amendment to Chapter 50, 'Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions"

CM 08-08-22

MOTION TO APPROVE SECOND READING C-362-22 AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 50, "OFFENSES AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS" TO ADOPT VIOLATIONS AND PENALTIES FOR MARIHUANA RELATED OFFENSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH STATE LAW

Motion by Fernandes, seconded by Owsinek, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED: To approve second reading C-362-22 an ordinance to amend Chapter 50, "Offenses and Miscellaneous Provisions" to adopt violations and penalties for marihuana related offenses in accordance with state law.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes (6) Ambrose, Fernandes, Lublin, Owsinek, Woods, Ackley

Nays (0)

Absent (1) Loch

Abstain (0)

2. Proposed Resolution 2022-31 Amendment to Transportation Fund of the Amended Interlocal Agreement with Western Oakland Transportation Authority (WOTA)

City Manager Whitt asked that Mr. Schrader, Mrs. Pesta, and Ms. Jaquays provide council an update.

Mr. Schrader explained the city has been participating with WOTA by contributing the city's portion of SMART credits to WOTA. Mr. Schrader explained this funding stream of the millage for SMART has ended. Mr. Schrader explained the city representatives explained to the WOTA board that funds on behalf of the city would only come from the funds collected through the SMART millage. Mr. Schrader explained the population and ridership of each participating community with WOTA determines the amounts due to WOTA. Mr. Schrader explained it was presented that an amendment needed to be made to the original funding formula. Mr. Schrader explained amendment to original agreement changed the funding mechanism. Mr. Schrader explained there was a resolution by the governing boards of the participating municipalities. Mr. Schrader explained there is a millage proposal going on the November 2022 ballot that includes funding for SMART and WOTA with additional entities also being funded from the county.

City Manager Whitt explained the current SMART millage has expired, if the city wishes to continue to fund this, those funds will come from the city's general fund. City Manager Whitt said there will be a millage vote come the November 2022 ballot. City Manager Whitt asked Ms. Jaquays to provide the proposed millage language via screen image for council and public.

Council Member Fernandes said this millage will be a county wide millage and be overseen by Oakland County.

City Manager Whitt said once this proposed millage passes at the November 2022 election, Oakland County is then in charge and the county will be able to divvy up that money anyway they want. City Manager Whitt said SMART will receive funding, how much will be dependent on the Oakland County Commissioners who will be assigned the duty to distribute funding.

Council Member Fernandes explained the City of Walled Lake opts in with a partnership with SMART whereas the City of Novi chooses to opt out, this millage proposal gives all the power to the Oakland County Board of Commissioners.

City Manager Whitt said if this proposal fails, what does that mean for Walled Lake. City Manager Whitt said the people will still expect transportation services. City Manager Whitt said

if the millage does not pass and our current millage is expired, the money will come out of the city's general fund.

Mr. Schrader explained the city receives \$133,000 from SMART which the city then gives to WOTA. Mr. Schrader explained there have been assurances from the WOTA board that the municipalities will be able to continue the same as they have been.

Mayor Ackley asked if the millage fails and Walled Lake cannot come up with \$133,000, can the city depart from being a member of WOTA.

City Attorney Vanerian explained in a typical agreement a community can withdrawal at any time. City Attorney Vanerian explained when you are a member of WOTA and WOTA being a 196 Authority which authorizes this transportation authority, it is different. City Attorney Vanerian explained if a member wishes to withdrawal the process is different. City Attorney Vanerian explained the City Council would have to adopt a resolution to withdrawal and then WOTA has to approve this type of withdrawal. City Attorney Vanerian said WOTA can keep Walled Lake in and require payment even if desire is to leave. City Attorney Vanerian said obviously WOTA has disincentives to let a member leave. City Attorney Vanerian said there is a proposed amendment to the WOTA agreement before council this evening, and he included language pertaining to the city withdrawing. City Attorney Vanerian said Highland Township has approved some of the language, not all of it. City Attorney Vanerian said if the agreement is adopted, all communities who are in WOTA would have to adopt it.

City Attorney Vanerian explained the SMART millage expired end of last year. City Attorney Vanerian explained if the proposed millage is not approved, the city's funding source will not be the same.

Mayor Ackley said if the proposed millage passes or not, the city will need to find \$133,000.

City Attorney Vanerian said he understood if the proposed millage passes there will be transportation money available, but it would not work the same way it did before and there is uncertainty how it will work. City Attorney Vanerian explained there is three years left on current agreement with WOTA. City Attorney Vanerian explained WOTA is requesting an amendment that is for a four-year term and automatically renews at the end of the four-year term. City Attorney Vanerian explained this first amended agreement to Act 196 Authority has items that are not in the first agreement, such as allowing the city to withdrawal, and it is more favorable than the current agreement.

Mayor Pro Tem Lublin asked if approving this resolution, does it give the city the ability to opt out.

City Attorney Vanerian said yes and deferred any financial funding questions to Mr. Schrader and Mrs. Pesta. City Attorney Vanerian explained all the other members would have to approve this amendment. City Attorney Vanerian said what is before council this evening, includes

withdrawal provisions, was circulated by the WOTA director and approved by the WOTA attorney.

Mr. Schrader explained the withdrawal provisions added by City Attorney Vanerian were approved by the WOTA board members.

City Attorney Vanerian said he recommends approval of the amendment.

Mr. Schrader said the other communities in WOTA have a significant need for adoption of this amendment. If not adopted, the other WOTA community members will have to pay additional amounts of up to \$200,000 or more.

City Manager Whitt said administration recommends approval of this resolution this evening. City Manager Whitt explained the attention needs to be on the passing of the November millage.

CM 08-09-22

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2022-31 A
RESOLUTION TO APPROVE AMENDMENT OF AMENDED
INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR INFORMATION OF AN ACT
196 AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

Motion by Woods, seconded by Lublin, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED: To approve resolution 2022-31 a resolution to approve amendment of amended interlocal agreement for information of an Act 196 Authority to provide transportation services.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes (6) Fernandes, Lublin, Owsinek, Woods, Ambrose, Ackley Nays (0)
Absent (1) Loch
Abstain (0)

3. Proposed Resolution 2022-32 Purchase of New Digital Fingerprinting Station for the Police Department

Police Chief Shakinas explained the police department, when necessary, must bring folks into custody and book them. Police Chief Shakinas explained the county approved vendor is IDEMIA with sole source bid of \$16,3769 and equipment is in stock.

CM 08-10-22 MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2022-32 A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF NEW DIGITAL FINGERPRINTING STATION FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Motion by Owsinek, seconded by Ambrose, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED: To approve resolution 2022-32 a resolution to approve purchase of new digital fingerprinting station for the Police Department.

Discussion

Mayor Pro Tem Lublin clarified funds were coming from federal forfeiture funds. Police Chief Shakinas said yes.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes (6) Lublin, Owsinek, Woods, Ambrose, Fernandes, Ackley

Nays (0)

Absent (1) Loch

Abstain (0)

4. Proposed Resolution 2022-33 Phase 2 of the Restoration of the Greenaway Drain and Trail Head

City Manager Whitt asked DPW Superintendent Mr. Ladd to provide report to council.

DPW Superintendent Ladd explained phase 2 of the Greenaway Drain and Trail Head are ready for action. Mr. Ladd said it will be good working with Oakland County Water Resource Commission, the vendor is vetted by Oakland County and one they utilize often.

City Manager Whitt explained the bridge needs to be opened and improvements to public safety campus are still underway. City Manager Whitt explained if council votes tonight with approval, this project will be done in early September.

CM 8-11-22 MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2022-33 A RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING FUNDS AND AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT FOR PHASE 2 OF THE RESTORATION OF THE GREENAWAY DRAIN AND TRAIL HEAD

Motion by Fernandes, seconded by Woods, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED: To approve resolution 2022-33 a resolution appropriating funds and authorizing a contract for phase 2 of the restoration of the Greenaway drain and trail head.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes (6) Lublin, Owsinek, Woods, Ambrose, Fernandes, Ackley

Nays (0)

Absent (1) Loch

Abstain (0)

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Council Member Owsinek said Walled Lake is a very nice community and nice place to live.

Council Member Fernandes reminded everyone of the Farmers Market on Wednesday's and Concerts in the Park on Wednesday's.

Council Member Woods reminded everyone of the fire open house later this month on the 27th. Council Member Woods said the city projects are great and he echoes the Mayor's comments, things are getting done. Council Member Woods said it is a team effort.

Council Member Ambrose said it is a great time to be in the City of Walled Lake, we are moving fast, other cities are taking notice. Council Member Ambrose said everybody is doing a great job and we could not be where we are without the people in this room. Thank you.

Mayor Pro Tem Lublin said Decker Road is enjoyable, the speed and quality of work is great, thank you.

MAYOR'S REPORT

1. Proposed Resolution 2022-34 Mayor's nomination and appointment of Mordecai Abramowitz to the Library Board

Mayor Ackley said Mr. Abramowitz comes highly recommended by the library board.

CM 08-12-22

MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2022-34 A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE MAYOR'S NOMINATION TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE WALLED LAKE LIBRARY BOARD PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE CITY CHARTER; MAKING AN APPOINTMENT TO THE WALLED LAKE LIBRARY BOARD FOR AN UNEXPIRED TERM

Motion by Lublin, seconded by Woods, UNANIMOUSLY CARRIED: To approve resolution 2022-34 a resolution accepting the mayor's nomination to fill a vacancy on the Walled Lake Library Board pursuant to the requirements of the City Charter; making an appointment to the Walled Lake Library Board for an unexpired term.

Roll Call Vote

Ayes (6) Owsinek, Woods, Ambrose, Fernandes, Lublin, Ackley Nays (0)

Absent (1) Loch

Abstain (0)

Mayor Ackley thanked the city council and city staff for all they do.

Council recessed at 9:19 p.m.

Council reconvened and entered closed session 9:30 p.m.

Council arose from closed session 10:00 p.m.

Council reconvened 10:02 p.m.

No further action was taken by council.

City Attorney Vanerian explained said there was no motion. No written action taken.

Mr. Don Leith- 850 Ladd Building E – explained if he applied for a building permit, it won't be approved since it is out of compliance. Mr. Leith said the addition was put on after the transfer and it was out of compliance. Mr. Leith said he is trying to clean it up. Mr. Leith said he discussed with the police department that it is a mess at 850 Ladd. Mr. Leith said he did get a proposal for the water tower removal however the church wants to paint it. Mr. Leith said he told the police department that he would clean up the entrance.

Mr. Schafer- Real Estate Agent-said there was a lot of talk about things that needed to be cleaned up and zoning nonconformity. Mr. Schafer said pay the city to fix the nonconformity. Mr. Schafer opined it was not needed for the Maple Road and the wetlands mitigation. Mr. Schafer said he wanted to make sure that this was in the meeting minutes, and he will be presenting another proposal.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 p.m.