

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on April 8, 2019 at the City Office.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Gehring and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Present: Mayor Gehring, Treasurer Keerl, Clerk Pierce, Council members: Peterson, Kaiser, Luenberger, Thomas, Baird, Ferguson, and guests. Absent: Attorney Cook.

Motion by Ferguson, support by Peterson to approve the minutes of March 11, 2019 as amended. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Thomas, support by Baird to pay the bills in the amount of \$19,580.07. Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Gehring addressed where the city is in the process of redoing the playground at the harbor. The city is awaiting notification from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources as to the next step in the process. Guests Jackie Trimmer and Becky Bean addressed the issue of possibly instituting an "Adopt a Flower Pot on Main St." for the purpose of maintaining the flower pots along Main St. during the summer season.

In Old Business official's salaries were reviewed. Current salaries for 2019 are: Mayor-\$11,141.40; Treasurer-\$18120.12; Clerk-\$18120.12.

1st quarter Water/Sewer Adjustments were presented by Treasurer Keerl. Discussion followed.

Motion by Ferguson, support by Thomas to accept 1st quarter Water/Sewer adjustments as presented. Motion carried: 6-0.

Golder Associates, Inc. (ground water monitoring services) was discussed by Mayor Gehring.

Motion by Luenberger, support by Baird to accept Golder Associates, Inc. agreement for annual lagoon monitoring services for 2019.

The Summer Concert Series is set. Volunteer groups for collecting donations at each concert are needed. The first concert is scheduled for Wednesday, July 10, 2019 at the Pavilion at the Harbor, beginning at 7:00 PM.

Dates for Spring Cleanup are May 24th and June 7, 2019. Place bundled and bagged yard waste (only) at curbside for pick up on those dates.

Hydrant Flushing will be April 22-April 26th, 2019.

Motion by Baird, support by Luenberger for Spring Cleanup to be May 24th and June 7, 2019 and Hydrant Flushing to be April 22 thru April 26, 2019. Motion carried: 6-0.

The Chamber of Commerce has requested use of city property of the upper parking lot for 2 weeks beginning July 10-July 24, 2019. Included in that request was restricted parking on Main St. on Saturday, July 6, 2019 for the annual Kid's Parade. Also was a request for the use of city property at the harbor for the July 6, 2019 fireworks display.

Motion by Baird, support by Peterson to allow the Alcona County Chamber of Commerce to use the upper parking lot at the harbor July 10-July 24, 2019, the closure of Main St. for the Kid's Parade and the use of city property for the fireworks display on Saturday, July 6, 2019. Motion carried: 6-0.

Mayor Gehring recommended passage of a motion to accept the Cummins Sales and Service Annual Equipment Maintenance Agreement for the amount of \$1014.76. Work to be done in February, 2020. Discussion.

Motion by Baird, support by Luenberger to accept Cummins Equipment Maintenance Agreement for one year (2020) in the amount of \$1014.76. Motion carried: 6-0.

Mayor Gehring recommended the re-appointment of Barbara Luenberger to the city planning commission. Alderman Luenberger asked for mayor's recommendation to be tabled until May, 2019.

Motion by Ferguson, support by Peterson to table re-appointment of Barbara Luenberger to city planning commission until city council meeting on May 13, 2019. Motion carried: 6-0.

Mayor Gehring shared a letter of interest from Karen Wingart to fill a vacancy on the planning commission.

Motion by Ferguson, support by Peterson to appoint Karen Wingart to fill a vacancy on the city planning commission. Motion carried: 6-0.

Mayor Gehring asks council to approve the posting of an ad for the Summer Help position.

Motion by Thomas, support by Peterson to post an ad in the Alcona County Review for the position of summer maintenance help. Motion carried: 6-0.

Mayor Gehring proclaims May 18, 2019 as KIDS TO PARKS DAY. NOW, THEREFORE, I, Jeffrey Gehring, Mayor of the City of Harrisville, MI do hereby proclaim May 18, 2019 to be Kids to Parks Day in this community, and encourage all of our residents to celebrate by taking the children in their lives to a neighborhood, city, state, or national park.

REPORTS

Mayor Gehring reports that the electronic equipment to be sent to the city is still on hold as the state is in the process of finalizing the order.

Clerk Pierce thanks Alderman Ferguson for notice of the problem of "disposal wipes" and non-biodegradable items which clog the pump station.

Treasurer Keerl reports that the Calendar of Events is up to date on the city website and any input for the site is welcome. The notice on the water bills indicates that all water meters in the city will be inspected within the next year per state recommendations. Some meters will be upgraded upon inspection. The city compost area is continually being graded and tended. Please place all shrubs, leaves and compost in DESIGNATED areas.

Harbor Commissioner Baird shares that next Harbor Commission meeting will be May 2, 2019. Harbormaster Ferguson reports that the Gas Shack is down and in the process of being rebuilt. New docks are being installed.

Planning Commission/RRC reports that the zoning ordinances are being reviewed. Snow removal continues to be an ongoing conversation. Ted Fines from Habitat for Humanity presented information to the planning commission on the progress of the project. Current information on the site of a potential Dollar General in the city was discussed and guests had an opportunity for input. RRC representative Cheryl Peterson shares that the RRC will give a presentation explaining what the group hopes to accomplish as to the business climate within the city. This will be on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at the Alcona County Library in Harrisville. Cecile Pizer adds that there will be a final draft of a Public Participation Plan up for review.

Tree Board member Luenberger notes there has been a lot of winter damage to city trees and will convene members of tree board to make note of damage.

Fire Chief Danny Klukowski reports there were no fire runs but 39 Medical First Responder calls for the month of March. Chief Klukowski, R. Gedert, J. Hollnagel, M. Fogle all completed and passed the Medical First Responders class offered last month. They are now waiting to take the written National First Responder certification test. Continued good luck to all. Chief Klukowski also reported that an Ice Rescue class and demonstration was held at the harbor last month and

had volunteer firemen from Harrisville Fire Department as well as several local departments participate in the class.

Comment Cards: None.

Adjourned by Mayor Gehring.

Adjourned at 8:31 PM.

Next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is May 13, 2019 at 7:00 PM at City Hall.

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Mayor _____

Clerk _____