

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on May 8, 2017 at the City Office.

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

Present: Mayor Dobis, Treasurer Keerl, Clerk Pierce, Council Members: Kaiser, Luenberger, Baird, Sanderson, Thomas and guests. Absent: Crick, City Attorney Cook.

Motion by Sanderson, support by Luenberger to approve the minutes of April 10, 2017. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Sanderson, support by Baird to approve amended minutes of March 13, 2017. Motion carried: 5-0.

Motion by Thomas, support by Baird to pay the bills in the amount of \$59, 570.59. Motion carried 5-0.

Treasurer Keerl requested the final adjustments report to fiscal year's (2016-2017) General Operating, Major and Minor Streets, Equipment Pool, Fire Department and Liquor Law Enforcement Funds be tabled until council meeting of June 12, 2017.

Mayor Dobis addressed the Tax Board of Review request for review of the per diem rate for their meetings. The mayor suggested that a regular meeting continue to be \$35.00. There are two 6 hour meetings per year. Mayor Dobis suggested that the per diem for those days be \$35.00 for the first two hours and \$10.00 per additional hour not to exceed a total of six hours. Discussion.

Motion by Baird, support by Kaiser to keep the one hour meetings to \$35. 00 per meeting with the six hour meetings to reflect the rate of \$35.00 for the first two hours and the additional hours to be \$10.00 per hour not to exceed six hours. Motion carried: 5-0.

Mayor Dobis presented Resolution 2017-04 to: Proceed With The Redevelopment Ready Communities (RRC) Program of The Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC).

Motion by Baird, support by Kaiser to: NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Harrisville will proceed under the RRC Program in promoting sites within the Community. Ayes: Luenberger, Kaiser, Baird, Thomas, Sanderson. Nay: 0. Absent: Crick.

Mayor Dobis addressed a letter of recommendation for Jeff Gehring to fill a Harbor Commissioner vacancy on the Harbor Commission.

Motion by Sanderson, support by Thomas to approve Jeff Gehring to fill a vacancy on the Harbor Commission. Motion carried: 5-0.

Mayor Dobis presented request from the Antique Show committee to have a banner displayed across Main Street and at each end of town, the second week in June, 2017.

Motion by Sanderson, support by Kaiser to approve placement of Antique Show banner across Main Street and at each end of town, the second week in June, 2017. Motion carried: 5-0.

REPORTS

Clerk Pierce: Reminder of wedding arrangements at harbor August 10-14. Ranck Electric will be in town working at the intersection of Main St./ M 72 and US 23 to begin underground work for the installation of a new traffic signal and crossing signs. After Memorial Day they will install the new intersection. In mid-June they will be back to restore sidewalks and approaches.

Clerk Pierce received a request from the League of Michigan Bicyclists asking permission to use the upper parking lot Friday, June 16, 2017 for a stopping point of a bike tour which is passing through Harrisville.

Motion by Baird, support by Thomas to give permission to the League of Michigan Bicyclists to use upper parking lot area at harbor for their rest stop on their tour on Friday, June 16, 2017.

Motion carried: 5-0.

Planning Commissioner Baird: Will be a June, 2017 meeting. TBA. .On-going discussion of city website update.

Harbor Commissioner Baird: Remains possibility of additional vacancy to be filled on Harbor Commission. Phase three of the harbor project has been approved by the state. A “job well done” is being sent to Harbormaster Jim Ferguson. A Thank You also goes out to the Harbormaster for displaying “storm flags” at the harbor.

Airport Manager Boucher informed council of ongoing discussion with owner of property which is adjacent to airport and with city attorney as to possible solutions to trees which are hazardous to the landing approach.

Tree Board: Waiting for estimate from Griff and Sons to cut several downed trees in city.

Comment cards: None.

Council Last Comments: Alderman Kaiser inquired as to hiring of summer help. Also grassy area under water tower is in need of cutting and trimming.

Mayor Dobis moved meeting to be adjourned.

Meeting adjourned at 7:47 PM.

Next City Council meeting: June 12, 2017 at 7:00 PM at City Hall.

Mayor _____

Clerk _____