

**THE CITY OF DEXTER  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2017**

**A. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by Mayor Keough at the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Ann Arbor Street in Dexter, Michigan.

**B. ROLL CALL:** Mayor Keough

J. Carson	D. Fisher
J. Knight	Z. Michels
J. Smith	R. Tell

Also present: Courtney Nicholls, City Manager; Marie Sherry, Treasurer/Finance Director; Michelle Aniol, Community Development Manager; Dan Schlaff, Public Services Superintendent; Justin Breyer, Assistant to the City Manager/Clerk; Carol Jones, Recording Secretary; Patrick Droze, Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment (OHM); Blair Selover, Elaine Venema and David Harvey, F&V; David Gassen, Partners in Architecture; residents and media.

**C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

1. Regular City Council Meeting – September 11, 2017

Motion Smith; support Fisher to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2017 Regular City Council Meeting with the following correction:  
Page 4, Mayor's Report, the first bullet point should read *I met not I meet*.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

**D. PRE-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION**

**E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Motion Smith; support Knight to approve the agenda as presented.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

**F. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION**

Paul Wiclanski of 8499 Parkridge, Dexter spoke of the traffic coming into Dexter through the viaduct and using Westridge as a cut through.

## **H. COMMUNICATIONS:**

1. Upcoming Meeting List
2. Sign Calendar

## **I. REPORTS**

1. Public Services Superintendent – Dan Schlaff

Mr. Schlaff submits his written report as per packet. Mr. Schlaff gave the following updates:

- We will be getting the new leaf sucker out tomorrow to run a test on it, but we haven't set a date for City pickup. We are very excited about this piece of equipment because of its larger bin size.
- At the next Council meeting I will be bringing information about replacing a filter that was refurbished in May.
- I have also budgeted for a sampler that will go into manholes to help define sewer issues

2. Community Development Manager – Michelle Aniol

Ms. Aniol submits her written report as per packet. Ms. Aniol gave the following updates:

- The next Business Summit will be on October 18, 2017 with the topic of finding sources of capital for businesses.
- Trivia Question – Since 2009, what is the total investment into industrial businesses in the City? Answer - \$52,725,097.
- I have received the Recertification Certificate for the Industrial Park from the State of Michigan.

3. Board, Commission & Other Reports

Washtenaw County Sheriff – August 2017 Written Report

Report is included in the packet. Mayor Keough gave a description of police presence in the Westridge sub-division.

4. Subcommittee Reports

None

5. City Manager Report – Courtney Nicholls

Ms. Nicholls submits her written report as per packet. Ms. Nicholls gave the following updates:

- The Municipal Code updates are done.
- The Third Street barn has been removed and the area filled in with dirt.

- Included in the packet is a copy of the City of Dexter Resident Handbook created by former intern Sara Pizzo.
- Trout Unlimited will be coming to the next Council meeting regarding two wader wash stations.
- Justin and I have gone to training for the new election equipment.
- On October 4, 2017, Scott Munzel will be giving oral arguments in front of the Court of Appeals on the Dexter Wellness case.
- I have included a memo from Orchard, Hiltz & McCliment on traffic accident data at Forest Street and Baker Road intersection.

#### 6. Mayor's Report – Shawn Keough

Mr. Keough submits his written report as per packet. Mr. Keough gave the following updates:

- Every year I enjoy the Suds on the River event held by the Huron River Watershed Council. This year it was held at the Hudson Mills campground.
- I will be sending a draft ~~of~~ the Fire Department Budget by email that discusses the use of money on equipment purchases and proposed staffing of the Webster Station.
- I will be listening along with Don Darnell to Scott Munzel's arguments for the Court of Appeals prior to the October 4, 2017 meeting.

### **J. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$385,017.96
2. Consideration of: Setting a Public Hearing for QED IFT for October 23, 2017

Motion Fisher; support Carson to approve items 1 and 2 of the Consent Agenda.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

### **K. OLD BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:**

None

### **L. NEW BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:**

1. Discussion of: Partners in Architecture Report on Renovating 8140 Main for the Fire Station

David Gassen of Partners in Architecture presented draft renovation plans for 8140 Main Street to remain the Fire Department and the Sheriff's Department Substation. Discussion followed.

2. Consideration of: Modification to Approved Final Site Plan During Construction - 2830 Baker Road

Motion Michels; support Tell to approve a major amendment modification to the landscaping at 2830 Baker Road to allow for the substitution of five shrubs for every tree in question or to allow fewer trees with a contribution of \$250 per tree not planted.

Ayes: Michels, Knight, Smith, Tell, Fisher, Carson and Keough  
Nays: None  
Motion carries

3. Discussion of: Design Scope for Wastewater Treatment Plan Improvements

Ms. Nicholls gave a review of the Headworks/Tertiary Treatment Project and a recommendation that the City of Dexter fund both of these projects by selling bonds on the open market.

F&V was present to discuss engineering costs for the combined project. Discussion followed.

4. Consideration of: Agreement between the City of Dexter and the Washtenaw County Road Commission Regarding Right-of-Way Acquisition for the Roundabouts Project

Motion Michels; support Smith that the Washtenaw County Road Commission (WCRC) will acquire and/or obtain the project's Right-of-Way (ROW) needs for the Baker Road Intersections Project. It is also agreed that the City shall pay WCRC for 33% of all actual WCRC cost incurred with the ROW needs for the project with the exception of sidewalk easements in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.

Ayes: Tell, Carson, Michels, Smith, Fisher, Knight and Keough  
Nays: None  
Motion carries

5. Consideration of: Street Lighting for the Roundabouts Project

Motion Michels; support Fisher to not use the cobra head style lights in the Roundabouts Project.

Motion Michels; support Fisher to postpone the decision on the lighting for the Roundabouts Project until the October 9, 2017 meeting.

Ayes: Fisher, Michels, Knight, Carson, Smith, Tell and Keough  
Nays: None  
Motion carries

**M. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Michels None  
Knight None  
Smith None

Jones I had a request from a friend who feels that if there could be some sort of reflective strip on the viaduct at the edge of the stone drivers could visualize the space better and improve two-way traffic.

Carson None

Fisher None

Tell None

**N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION**

Paul Cousins of 7648 Forest Street, Dexter spoke of an upcoming tour by the Big 400 on Friday, October 6, 2017 that will include Chelsea, Stockbridge and Pinckney concluding in Dexter at Mill Creek Park with lunch and a visit to the Cider Mill.

**O. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion Carson; support Fisher to adjourn the meeting at 9:39 PM.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Justin Breyer  
Assistant to the City Manager/Clerk

Approved for Filing: \_\_\_\_\_