

**THE CITY OF DEXTER
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JUNE 25 2018**

A. CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 PM by Mayor Keough at the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Ann Arbor Street in Dexter, Michigan.

B. ROLL CALL: Mayor Keough

P. Cousins	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; residents and media.

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. Regular City Council Meeting – June 11, 2018
2. City Council Work Session – June 11, 2018

Motion Smith; support Knight to approve the minutes of the June 11, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting and the minutes of the June 11, 2018 City Council Work Session with the following additions in the Work Session minutes:

- Under the first bullet point, add the words - for MAV location on Dexter-Ann Arbor Road.
- Change the wording in the third bullet point to read - Estimated Project Costs of 6.3 million for the building.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

D. PRE-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Fisher; support Smith to approve the agenda with the following additions:

- Add New Business Item L-11, Consideration of Revisions to Fee Schedule.
- Additional information provided for I-2, Community Development Manager Report; I-5, City Manager Report; L-7, Additional Curb Work on Central Street; and L-9, 2017-2018 Budget Amendments.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Public Hearing for land Sale to DTE

Consideration of: Public Hearing for Land Sale to DTE

Mayor Keough opened the Public Hearing at 7:13 PM. Todd Austin of 3594 Ryan Drive indicated that his wife is the manager of the Community Garden on Dan Hoey Road and inquired about the future of Community Garden at the Dan Hoey site. Mayor Keough and staff responded that DTE has not given any indication that they will use the property in the near future, and that the City is interested in maintaining the Community Garden in some fashion should DTE build on their portion of the property.

Motion Smith; support Fisher to support the sale of property at 7651 Dan Hoey Road to DTE.

Ayes: Michels, Knight, Smith, Tell, Fisher, Cousins and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Ted Tear of 8090 Huron Street spoke about his concerns of non-enforcement of traffic laws in the City, especially with bicycle riders. He indicated that he feels that the City does not need a new fire station and this issue should be brought before the voters; and he questioned not seeing comments at meetings from residents.

H. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Upcoming Meeting List
2. Sign Calendar
3. Thank you note from the City of Escanaba
4. Dues Renewal Letter from Huron River Watershed Council

I. REPORTS

1. Public Services Superintendent – Dan Schlaff

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

- We had a representative from the MDEQ (Michigan Department of Environmental Quality) stop by last week for a surprise visit. All went well.

2. Community Development Manager – Michelle Aniol

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

- I had an inquiry from the Encore Theatre and NUBCO regarding MDOT tourist destination signage along state roads trailblazer signs. We will be looking more into the trailblazer signs.
- The residents of 3389 Broad Street are asking about the process of vacating the alley behind their property which is a land locked parcel.

3. Board, Commission & Other Reports

Washtenaw County Sheriff – May Report included in the packet

4. Subcommittee Reports

Website Committee – Mayor Keough reported on the group meeting last Thursday morning (June 21, 2018). We will be interviewing five companies to determine best fit to upgrade the web site.

5. City Manager Report – Courtney Nicholls

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

- The next newsletter will be coming out in mid July and [amad](#) asked whether anyone has ideas for the newsletter.
- We have worked out the cost with Dexter Schools to take out the island at the Industrial Park during their construction this summer.
- I have been asked to join the Faith in Action Board.
- The Tap Grant came through at \$310,000 which is less than what was requested.
- There will be a work session before the July 9, 2018 meeting at 6 PM on the Headworks/Tertiary Treatment Project.
- I have included another Tax Tribunal filing for Dexter Place.
- The sidewalk projects are nearly done.
- Plein Air has an opportunity to be featured on a Dexter Orthodontics billboard space in August.
- The new entry level planner job posting will begin the week of June 25th.

6. Mayor's Report – Shawn Keough

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

- On June 16, 2018, I was able to participate in the interviewing of five candidates for the new firefighter position. AJ Korte was selected as the preferred candidate and will move on to the next round of tests.
- On June 20, 2018 the Michigan Supreme Court declined to take the case between the City of Dexter and Dexter Wellness Center. Today directions were sent to Washtenaw County to close out the case. I would like to have a closed session at the next Council meeting to discuss the case.

J. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$298,133.52
2. Consideration of: 2018-2019 Contracts with Western Washtenaw Area Value Express (WAVE)

Motion Fisher; support Cousins 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. Consideration of: Recommendation from Planning Commission to Adopt Zoning Ordinance Amendments

Motion Michels; support Smith pursuant to Section 23.06, Criteria for Amendment to Zoning Ordinance Text and based on recommendation of the Planning Commission, City Council moves to approve amendments to Article II, Definitions, Article III, General Provisions, Article XV, VC Village Commercial District, Article XV(D), Baker Road Corridor Overlay District, and Article XX, Schedule of Regulations, of the City of Dexter Zoning Ordinance, as cited herein.

Ayes: Tell, Cousins, Michels, Smith, Fisher, Knight and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

2. Consideration of: General Appropriations Act to Adopt the FY 2018-2019 Budget

Motion Smith; support Michels to adopt by Resolution the City of Dexter Fiscal Year 2018-2019 General Appropriations Act.

Ayes: Fisher, Michels, Knight, Cousins, Smith, Tell and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

3. Consideration of: City Manager Employment Agreement

Motion Michels; support Fisher to approve the 2018 employment agreement for the City Manager of the City of Dexter for one year beginning June 25, 2018.

Ayes: Smith, Michels, Fisher, Tell, Knight, Cousins and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

4. Consideration of: SmithGroupJJR Proposal for Trail Connection to City

Motion Cousins, support Knight to approve the scope of work from SmithGroupJJR identified in the feasibility study for the Iron-Belle Trail connection, with the understanding that all cost will be paid by the Huron-Waterloo Pathways Initiative.

Ayes: Knight, Fisher, Tell, Michels, Smith, Cousins and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

5. Consideration of: Contract with Meeder Investments

Motion Michels; support Fisher to direct the Treasurer/Finance Director to sign the contract with Meeder Investments as presented.

Ayes: Cousins, Knight, Tell, Fisher, Michels, Smith and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

6. Consideration of: Approval to Accept Auction Prices for the Sale of Two DPW Vehicles

Motion Cousins; support Michels to approve the sale of the 1997 Ford F-350 and the 1998 Sterling to the highest bidders via the GovDeals website.

Ayes: Knight, Fisher, Smith, Cousins, Tell, Michels and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

7. Consideration of: Additional Curb Work on Grand Street

Motion Tell; support Smith to approve the additional curb work on Grand Street in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.

8. Discussion of: Roundabout Landscaping

Motion Smith; support Michels to partner with the Dexter Community Schools to improve the access to the Industrial Park in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.

Council reviewed the proposed landscaping for the roundabouts at Dan Hoey and Shield Roads. Discussion followed.

9. Consideration of: Final FY 2017-2018 Budget Amendments

Motion Smith; support Fisher to approve the final Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget Amendments as presented.

Ayes: Fisher, Smith, Cousins, Knight, Michels, Tell and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

10. Consideration of: DDA FY 2017-2018 Budget Amendments

Motion Fisher; support Knight to approve the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 DDA Budget Amendments as presented.

Ayes: Smith, Tell, Cousins, Fisher, Knight, Michels and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

11. Consideration of: Amendment to the Fee Schedule

Motion Fisher; support Smith to approve the proposed amendments to the City of Dexter Fee Schedule.

Ayes: Tell, Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Michels, Knight and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

M. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Cousins The WAVE meeting will be tomorrow (June 26, 2018) at 8 PM.

Tell None

Fisher None

Jones None

Smith None

Knight None

Michels I attended Tech Trek in Ann Arbor last Friday and I feel that it may be difficult to convince tech people to come to Dexter for work. I am also concerned about raising water and sewer rates for people on fixed incomes. Could we do water audits to help these people with water usage issues?

N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Ted Tear of 8090 Broad Street commented on the cost for the new trails in and around the county and stated that this money could be better used to treat sick children. He also would like a vote by the Council to enforce the laws of the state by installing speed bumps to slow traffic.

O. CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS POTENTIAL PURCHASE OF PROPERTY IN ACCORDANCE WITH MCL 15.268 Sec.8

Motion Knight, support Smith to move into Closed Session to discuss potential purchase of property in accordance with MCL 15.268 Sec. 8. At 8:52 PM

Ayes: Cousins, Tell, Knight, Michels, Smith, Fisher and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

Motion Smith; support Fisher to leave Closed Session at 9:05 PM.

Ayes: Cousins, Knight, Tell, Fisher, Michels, Smith and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

P. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Smith; support Michels to adjourn the meeting at 9:06 PM.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Justin Breyer
Assistant to the City Manager/Clerk

Approved for Filing: _____