

**THE CITY OF DEXTER  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2018**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The City Council Meeting was called to order at 5:47 PM by Mayor Keough at the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Ann Arbor Street in Dexter, Michigan.

**B. ROLL CALL:** Mayor Keough

S. Bell	P. Cousins
D. Fisher-arr 5:57	J. Knight
Z. Michels	J. Smith

**CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS PENDING LITIGATION IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH MCL 15.268 Sec. 8**

Motion Smith; support Knight to go into Closed Session to discuss pending litigation in Accordance with MCL 15.268 Sec. 8 with the following non-Council Members present at the meeting: Carol Jones, Recording Secretary; Courtney Nicholls, City Manager; Justin Breyer, Assistant to the City Manager/City Clerk; Marie Sherry, Treasurer/Finance Director/Assessor; Michelle Aniol, Community Development Manager; and Scott Munzel, City Attorney at 5:48 PM.

Ayes: Michels, Knight, Smith, Bell, Cousins and Keough

Nays: None

Absent: Fisher

Motion carries

Motion Smith; support Cousins to leave Closed Session at 7:10 PM.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

Motion Smith; support Bell to proceed as discussed in Closed Session

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

Unanimous voice vote approval.

A break was taken and the Dexter City Council Meeting resumed at 7:20 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Also present at Council Meeting: Courtney Nicholls, City Manager; Marie Sherry, Treasurer/Finance Director/Assessor; Michelle Aniol, Community Development Manager; Dan Schlaff, Public Services Superintendent; Justin Breyer, Assistant to the City Manager/Clerk; Carol Jones, Recording Secretary; David Harvey and Corey Turner, F&V Construction; Ric Lawson, Huron River Watershed Planner; residents and media.

### **C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

1. Regular City Council Meeting – November 12, 2018

Motion Smith; support Bell to approve the minutes of the November 12, 2018 Regular City Council Meeting with one correction on page 2, add a period at the end of the third paragraph on the page.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

### **D. PRE-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION**

None

### **E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Motion Fisher; support Knight to approve the agenda with the following change: New Business Item L-3, change Youth Board Representatives from a Consideration item to a Discussion item.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

### **F. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

### **G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION**

None

### **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:

- There has been a problem with the lid on the secondary digester. Bio Tech will be here on Tuesday and Wednesday to check on the lid so that we can start hauling sludge.
- Recent reports on testing results from NUBCO are very good.
- Members from F&V Construction are present this evening to answer any question on the Waste Water Treatment Plant project and Mr. Schlaff reported on the progress so far.

## 2. Community Development Manager – Michelle Aniol

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

- At the November 29, 2018 meeting for eCities, Dexter was awarded a Four Star Status for the second continuous year.
- There has been legislation introduced in the State Legislature to take away municipalities' control over tree replacement.
- I met recently with Carl Arft, owner of SiTime located on Baker Road. His major concern is because of the growth of his business, whether there will be a location in Dexter for more space for his business which currently is not available.
- There have been some minor issues with drainage discharge at Grandview Commons and sign set back at Rainbow Child Care. These issues should be able to be handled by staff.

## 3. Board, Commission & Other Reports

*Dexter Area Fire Department* – Council Member Smith provided an update on the recent Fire Board Meeting that he attended and on their vote to purchase two pumpers at a cost of \$1,172,784 with \$400,000 down and financing for a seven year period of time.

*Washtenaw County Sheriff* – October Written Report included in packet.

## 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:

- We did receive a grant of \$300,000 from the Washtenaw County Connecting Communities Program for Mill Creek Park.
- Ms. Nicholls asked Council Members for their thoughts on recreational marijuana facilities in the City. If the City would like to opt out, an ordinance will need to be approved.
- Mayor Keough and I met with the Washtenaw County Road Commission on the lighting issue from the Baker Road roundabouts. Discussion followed.

- The City did get some good news in that the costs for the Baker Road and roundabout paving came in as expected.

6. Mayor's Report – Shawn Keough

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

- I would like to thank City Council Members for attending the Closed Session.

**J. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$188,384.48

Motion Fisher; support Smith to approve item 1 of the Consent Agenda.

Unanimous voice vote approval with Mayor Keough abstaining from the vote.

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

None

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

1. Consideration of: Middle Huron Partnership Contract Renewal

Motion Smith; support Michels to enter into a five year contract with the Huron River Watershed Council to continue participation in the Middle Huron Partnership, with an approximate fee of \$6,803 per year.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

2. Consideration of: Tap Fee Payment Arrangement with Dexter Community Schools

Motion Michels; support Knight to approve an amended payment schedule of \$192,000 in tap fees over a three year period.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

3. Discussion of: Youth Board Representatives

Mr. Breyer identified some reticence with the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee over the addition of youth representatives to the committee and indicated that the Committee would like to have more information on how youth

members would function on the committee. Discussion followed with a recommendation to prepare additional information for the Committees and Commissions about Youth Representatives as a part of a Board, Committee or Commission.

4. Consideration of: Update to 2018-2019 Fee Schedule

Motion Smith; support Michels to approve the Resolution for creating a manual processing fee for escrowed tax payments and add to the fee schedule the fee of \$5.00 for the manual processing fee for escrowed tax payments per parcel to be charged to banks and escrow companies.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

**M. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Cousins None

Bell None

Fisher None

Jones St. Andrew's Church will be baking German Lebkuchen to sell at their December 6, 2018 Monthly Dinner.

Smith None

Knight Happy Holidays a little early.

Michels CAPT/DART will hold their last meeting of the year on November 28, 2018 with a member from WATS speaking on transportation.

**N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION**

Ron Miller of 7654 Forest reported that he was happy to see the inclusion of a youth representative on the agenda and that he was on the Dexter School Board when youth representatives on the Board was adopted. He felt that this is a good way to involve students in government and mentoring is very important in the process.

**O. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion Cousins; support Smith to adjourn the meeting at 8:43 PM.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Justin Breyer  
Assistant to the City Manager/Clerk

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