

**THE CITY OF DEXTER  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2019**

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

The City Council Meeting was called to order at 7:01 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	J. Knight
Z. Michels	J. Smith

Also present at Council Meeting: Courtney Nicholls, City Manager; Michelle Aniol, Community Development Manager; Dan Schlaff, Public Services Superintendent; Carol Jones, Recording Secretary; Patrick Droze, OHM Advisors; Robert Smith, Dexter Area Fire Department Chief; residents and media.

**C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES**

1. City Council Work Session – February 23, 2019
2. Regular City Council Meeting – February 25, 2019

Motion Smith; support Knight to approve the minutes of the February 23, 2019 City Council Work Session and the minutes of the February 25, 2019 Regular City Council Meeting as presented.

Unanimous voice vote approval with Council Member Michels out of the room.

**D. PRE-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION**

None

**E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

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

Unanimous voice vote approval.

**F. PUBLIC HEARINGS**

None

**G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION**

Sam Krahn of 8400 Cedars Hills, Dexter introduced himself as a journalism student, and is attending the meeting to write a story about Dexter for his class.

Tim Hill of 5749 Libby Court, Dexter is a Government major at college in Grand Rapids and he is present to observe the Council meeting.

## **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:

- ) Ms. Nicholls has a video that was put together on the Waste Water Treatment Project build.
- ) Raymer will be here on Wednesday to do preventative maintenance on Well number 1 and High Service Pump number 2.

2. Community Development Manager – Michelle Aniol

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

- ) I emailed a recent article from Crain's Detroit Business to City Council. It is about a business that relocated to Dexter in order to get employees that they were not able to attract to their previous location in Jackson.

3. Board, Commission & Other Reports

- ) Chamber of Commerce Representative Council Member Cousins reported on the Chamber's Annual Meeting, which is Thursday, March 14, 2019 at The Fillmore.

4. Subcommittee Reports

- ) Website – Mayor Keough reported that the committee did meet to provide comments back to the website designer.

5. City Manager Report – Courtney Nicholls

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

- ) We have conducted three interviews for the Farmer's Market Manager and all were good candidates for the position.
- ) Central Street bids will be due in May so that the project can start in June.
- ) New signals for Main Street will be delivered soon and will be installed in the spring.
- ) Dexter Creamery has offered to sell tickets for the Easter Egg Hunt.

6. Mayor's Report – Shawn Keough

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

- ) I am meeting with the Dexter Schools on Wednesday morning to update them on what has been discussed on pedestrian safety projects.
- ) In the Consent Agenda, I have listed the eight candidates that I have interviewed and that I am recommending for Student Representatives for approval.

**J. CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$655,233.79
2. Consideration of: Student Representative Appointments
3. Consideration of: Setting a Public Hearing for April 8, 2019 on an Update to the Solid Waste Ordinance to Remove Reference to Contract Periods and Other Clarifications

Motion Fisher; support Bell to approve items 1, 2 and 3 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: Scope of Services from OHM for Pedestrian Safety Project

Motion Smith; support Bell to approve the Scope of Services with OHM for pedestrian safety improvements in an amount not to exceed \$48,000.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

2. Consideration of: Resolution of Support to Apply for a Michigan Department of Transportation TEDF Category B Grants for Grand Street

Motion Michels; support Fisher to approve the Resolution of Support to apply for a grant through the Transportation Economic Development Fund Category B Program for the reconstruction of Grand Street.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

3. Consideration of: Recommendation from Planning Commission to Remove Medical Marihuana Home Occupation Standards from Zoning Ordinance

Motion Smith; support Bell pursuant to Section 23.06, Criteria for Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Text and the Public Hearing, conducted by the Planning Commission on February 4, 2019, City Council moves to approve the text amendment, to delete Section 3.05.B Medical Marihuana Home Occupations, as recommended by the Planning Commission.

Ayes: Fisher, Michels, Knight, Cousins, Smith, Bell and Keough  
Nays: None  
Motion carries

4. Consideration of: Placement of Council Member's Report Items on the Council Agenda

Motion Cousins; support Michels to place "Council Member's Report" as the last report in Item I, Reports and to have a written report included in the packet.

Ayes: Michels, Bell, Knight and Cousins  
Nays: Smith, Fisher and Keough  
Motion carries 4 to 3

5. Consideration of: FY 2018-2019 Budget Amendments

Motion Smith; support Bell to approve the FY 2018-2019 Budget Amendments as presented.

Ayes: Knight, Fisher, Bell, Michels, Smith, Cousins and Keough  
Nays: None  
Motion carries

#### **M. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Cousins I am leaving on Thursday and will be back in a week.  
Bell I saw a picture of Mr. Michels in the Community Observer but wonder who he represents as he was identified as a Chelsea City Council Member.  
Fisher None  
Jones None  
Michels If you slip on the ice don't drop a bag of salt on your arm.  
Knight I distributed a flyer to your place on the Senior Center fundraiser.  
Smith None

#### **N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION**

None

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

Motion Smith; support Knight to go into Closed Session to discuss potential purchase of property 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; and Michelle Aniol, Community Development Manager at 7:49 PM.

Ayes: Cousins, Knight, Bell, Fisher, Michels, Smith and Keough  
Nays: None  
Motion carries

Motion Cousins; support Bell to leave the Closed Session at 8:16 PM.

Ayes: Knight, Fisher, Smith, Cousins, Bell, Michels and Keough  
Nays: None  
Motion carries

**P. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion Cousins; support Bell to adjourn the meeting at 8:17 PM.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Justin Breyer  
Assistant to the City Manager/Clerk

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