

**THE CITY OF DEXTER
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 8, 2019**

A. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The City Council Meeting was called to order at 7:00 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; Marie Sherry, Finance Director/Treasurer/Assessor; Michelle Aniol, Community Development Manager; Dan Schlaff, Public Services Superintendent; Justin Breyer, City Clerk and Assistant to the City Manager; Mike Auerbach, Assistant Planner; Carol Jones, Recording Secretary; Robert Smith, Dexter Area Fire Department Chief; Scott Munzell, City Attorney; members of the Dexter Area Fire Department; residents and media.

INTRODUCTION OF STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES:

City Council – Andrew Covert and Isabella Malek

Planning Commission – Alex Gilbert and Arion Sunstrum

Parks and Recreation Commission – Nicholas Williamson and Adam Hauser

Mayor Keough introduced and welcomed the Student Representatives to their positions on City Council/Boards/Commissions/Committees.

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

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

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

Unanimous voice vote approval.

D. PRE-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION:

None

E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion Smith; support Knight to approve the agenda with the addition of New Business Item L-5 Discussion of Fire Station Design Conference on May 14-16, 2019 and the addition of a Closed Session to Discuss Pending Litigation

Unanimous voice vote approval.

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS;

1. Amendments to the General Code of Ordinances – Chapter 38 Solid Waste

Mayor Keough opened the Public Hearing on Amendments to the General Code of Ordinances – Chapter 38 Solid Waste at 7:05 PM. He highlighted the changes proposed in the Ordinance. There was no one from the audience that spoke. Mayor Keough closed the Public Hearing at 7:06 PM.

Consideration of: Amendments to the General Code of Ordinances – Chapter 38 Solid Waste

Motion Michels; support Smith to adopt the updates to the Solid Waste Ordinance to remove reference periods and other clarifications, with the following corrections in the ordinance:

- Change the term from three years to five years,
- Add the definition of “person” to Sec.38-31 – Definitions,
- Delete (a) in Sec 38-33 – Supervision and enforcement,
- Capitalize the words “City” and “City Council” in the document, and
- Add a comma in Sec 38-74 Owner/occupant collection procedures, (b) following the word occupant.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION:

Tim Andrews, President of the Dexter Firefighters Association and Jason Hilberer, President of the Dexter Firefighters IAAF Local 4090 read a letter from the Association and the Union addressed to the City Council regarding the current fire station. Council Member Smith requested that the letter be added to packet communications.

Lt. Michael Grissom read a letter regarding the current station and needs for the department. Council Member Smith requested that this letter also be included in packet communications.

H. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Upcoming Meeting List
2. Sign Calendar
3. Arbor Day Foundation – 2018 Tree City Designation
4. Dexter Area Historical Society Donation Acknowledgement Letter

5. Dexter Area Historical Society Spring Newsletter
6. Washtenaw County Parks and Recreation Master Plan Input Invitation

I. REPORTS:

1. Public Services Superintendent – Dan Schlaff

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

- The gas main relocation on Fourth Street was completed today.
- The water tower was ~~taken down~~ removed from service on April 1, 2019. Industrial Painting Contractors have sandblasted the exterior and are beginning with the primer. Tomorrow they will start power washing the inside.
- Tomorrow Bloom Roofing will be here to roof the Headworks Building. The tertiary filters will be placed on April 22, 2019.

2. Community Development Manager – Michelle Aniol

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

- The Housing Task Force will meet on April 25, 2019 from 6:30 to 8 PM.
- Ann Arbor Spark's Annual Meeting will be April 30, 2019. I will be attending and invite Council Members to attend.
- On April 10, 2019, there will be a meeting with F&V, Mr. Schlaff and the utility staff will meet with Erratic Ales and Ron Jeffries to explain the process and inform them on the needs required by the City for breweries.
- At 3268 Central there are concerns with the proposed project and the use of the alley for access. I am looking for feedback of public/private areas working together. Discussion followed.
- I have sent out a link for comments on the Master Plan.
- Norfolk is working on possible options for the development of 3045 Broad Street.
- I have provided some information in my report regarding enforcement actions from July 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019.
- Urban County Executive Committee identified low income areas in Washtenaw County. We can still use the funds we have accumulated.

3. Board, Commission & Other Reports

None

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:

- I attended the SEMCOG training on Traffic Safety on March 28, 2019.
- The City will be using our space on the Baker Road billboard this year for pedestrian safety, and information will also be included along with ~~the~~ the water bill mailing.
- The Pedestrian Safety Project is moving along with the new map, crosswalk standards, sidewalks on Forest Street and street lighting. I am looking to meet with residents in the affected area over the next few weeks. Discussion followed.
- There has been a significant increase in the WAVE funding request. This will be a part of the discussion at the Budget Workshop.
- The City Manager Review will be held on April 17, 2019 at 6 PM at the Blue Water Building.
- I have invited Trout Unlimited and City Council members to attend the Huron River Watershed Council's Water School.
- Avalon Housing will need Council to adopt an ordinance that sets a payment in lieu of taxes amount for the development.
- The City Council's Budget Sessions will be held on May 1, 2019 and May 15, 2019 at the Mill Creek Media Center beginning at 6 PM.

6. Mayor's Report – Shawn Keough

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

- Following our meeting with the Schools on Thursday, March 28, 2019, I received a communication from them in which they have proposed another location to connect the trail to Baker Road. This would be difficult to handle in the required time frame for the project and the funding. Discussion followed.
- Ms. Nicholls and Ms. Aniol met with DTE regarding the installation of electric poles along Grand Street in preparation for the decommission of the Broad Street substation.

7. Council Member Reports

None

J. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$1,444,930.26

Motion Fisher; support Bell to approve item 1 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: Planning Commission Recommendation to Approve Re-Zoning of 8180 Huron

Motion Michels; support Bell based on a recommendation by the Planning Commission on April 1, 2019, City Council approves the rezoning of property located at 8180 Huron Street, from I-1 Limited Industrial to VR Village Residential.

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

2. Consideration of: Resolutions Related to MDOT's Local Agency Pavement Warranty Program

Motion Michels; support Smith to approve the resolutions related to the Local Pavement Warranty Program.

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

3. Consideration of: Placement of Delinquent Utilities on Tax Roll

Motion Smith; support Knight to order the publication of a notice informing the public that delinquencies will be placed on the tax roll if they are not paid by April 30, 2019.

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

4. Discussion of: Waste Management Contract Renewal

Ms. Nicholls reviewed the next steps to follow with the Waste Management contract in order to move forward with the renewal of the contract. Discussion followed.

5. Discussion of: Conference on May 14-16, 2019 on Fire Station Design

Council Member Michels presented information on an upcoming conference in Chicago on Fire Station Design and that he would like to see a couple of people attend this conference. Council requested more information for the next meeting.

M. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Cousins At the March 25, 2019 Council Meeting, Joe Semifero presented three points about Village/City decisions. One was a road going through

Monument Park and another was the location of the Library, but I cannot remember the third. Does anyone remember this?

Michels Would Council like to have the CAPT/DART minutes included in the Council Report? They have been talking about transportation in the area including Manchester. They challenged WAVE to get a tri-fold together to send out to the public. I tested the rapid flashing beacon at Grandview and Baker Road at 4:30 PM during the week. Six cars drove through before one did stop. However, the flashers quit midway through the street crossing.

Bell None

Fisher None

Jones I encourage Council Members who are not members of the Dexter Historical Society to complete the membership form on the back of the newsletter included in the packet.

Smith None

Knight None

N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION:

None

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

Motion Fisher; support Smith 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; Marie Sherry, Finance Director/Treasurer/Assessor; Justin Breyer, City Clerk and Assistant to the City Manager; and Scott Munzel, City Attorney at 9:00 PM.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

Motion Fisher; support Smith to leave the Closed Session at 9:54 PM

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

P. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Fisher; support Knight to adjourn the meeting at 9:55 PM.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

Respectfully submitted,

Justin Breyer
Assistant to the City Manager/Clerk

Approved for Filing: _____