

**THE CITY OF DEXTER
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2020**

A. CALL TO ORDER / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The City Council Meeting was called to order at 6:04 PM by Mayor Keough which was noticed for the DPW at 3600 Central Street in Dexter, Michigan and held via an online video conference call permitted by executive order of Michigan Governor Whitmer.

B. ROLL CALL: Mayor Keough

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| S. Bell | P. Cousins |
| D. Fisher | J. Knight |
| Z. Michels | J. Smith |

Student Representatives:

A. Covert -AB
I. Malek - AB

Also present at Council Meeting: Courtney Nicholls, City Manager; Michelle Aniol, Community Development Manager; Dan Schlaff, Public Services Superintendent; Justin Breyer, City Clerk and Assistant to the Manager; Carol Jones, Recording Secretary; residents and media.

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

1. City Council Work Session – March 9, 2020
2. Regular City Council Meeting – March 9, 2020

Motion Smith; support Bell to approve the minutes of the March 9, 2020 City Council Work Session and the March 9, 2020 Regular City Council Meeting with one correction on Page 7, New Business Item L-4, correct the word “bases” in the motion to “basis”.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

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D. PRE-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION:

None

E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion Smith support Fisher to approve the agenda with the removal of New Business items L-1, Location of Police Station and L-2, Location of City Hall.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

None

G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION:

Cole Miller of 7654 Forest Street thanked the City of Dexter staff for setting up tonight's meeting through livestream.

James McCargar of 3580 Hudson Street thanked Council and staff for going the extra mile demonstrating effective government. Please do your best to protect City employees.

H. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Upcoming Meeting List

I. REPORTS:

1. Public Services Superintendent – Dan Schlaff

Mr. Schlaff submits his written report as per packet. Mr. Schlaff provided the following update:

- I have been working on figuring out staggered hours for Public Services employees. They are working as hard as they can to keep up with demands.

2. Community Development Manager – Michelle Aniol

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

- The forecast from the University of Michigan that is included in the packet is very interesting.
- Thank you to Ms. Nicholls and the DPW for getting the Temporary Curbside Pickup signs placed near those businesses downtown doing take out. The businesses are very appreciative. We also need to address those businesses at Dexter Crossing and Busch's to do the same.
- I have received comments back from the survey sent to businesses as to how the City can help them and we are responding.

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 provided the following updates:

- With the changes that came out today to stay in place, most of the City office staff will be working from home.

- I am not sure how the Governor’s Executive Order will have on the tree removal on the trail at Mill Creek Park.
- Please give me any comments you may have on the Sign for the proposed Fire Station.

6. Mayor Report – Shawn Keough

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

- I appreciate all of the work from Ms. Nicholls and staff for putting together a means to hold our meeting.
- There was not a DAFD meeting last week. The Fire Department and Huron Valley Ambulance have worked on a protocol for responding and handling emergency and nonemergency calls.
- We will try to figure out how to use this technology we are using tonight for Planning Commission and future workshops.

7. Council Member Reports

- a. Council Member Cousins – Council Member Cousins submitted his report as per packet.
- b. Council Member Michels - Council Member Michels submitted his report as per packet

J. CONSENT AGENDA:

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$328,458.74
2. Consideration of: \$2,000 Donation to Senior Center
3. Consideration of: Purchase of Video Equipment/Signing up with LiveStream for Streaming City Meetings
4. Consideration of: Temporary Art Display Recommendations from the Arts, Culture & Heritage Committee and Arts Selection Committee

Motion Fisher; support Smith to approve items 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the Consent Agenda.

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

Nays: None

Motion carries

K. OLD BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:

None

L. NEW BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:

None

M. COUNCIL COMMENTS:

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| Smith | It is great that we can hold this meeting online. |
| Cousins | Being previously in the restaurant business, I can't believe what restaurants are going through. Please help out our local restaurants. |
| Michels | There are many things to discuss with what is going on such as how can we help both the community and the businesses, how can we be a clearing house for the responses and suggestions from the recent survey, and more emails being sent out from the City. This could be a discussion item for a future meeting. |
| Fisher | Thank you to Mr. Breyer for getting me through the set up for this meeting. |
| Knight | I would also like to thank staff for getting me through the set up for this meeting. |
| Bell | None |

N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION:

None

O. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Smith; support Bell to adjourn the meeting at 6:37 PM.

Unanimous voice vote approval.

Respectfully submitted,
Justin Breyer

City Clerk and Assistant to the City Manager

Approved for Filing: _____