

CITY OF HUNTINGTON WOODS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES
Tuesday, March 16, 2021
7:30 p.m.
Remote Meeting – Not at City Hall

Mayor Paul called the Meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Paul, present in Huntington Woods, Mayor Pro Tem Olsman, present in Huntington Woods, Commissioner Elder present in Huntington Woods, Commissioner Jenks, present in Huntington Woods, Commissioner Rozell, present in Huntington Woods.

ABSENT: None

City Staff Present: City Manager Sullivan, and
Finance/Treasurer Director Rowland.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Rozell and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Olsman to approve the March 16, 2021 agenda as amended with the removal of the proclamations for Robert Wittenberg and Helaine Zack and the addition of a presentation from the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association.

Ayes: Paul, Olsman, Rozell, Jenks, Elder

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Rozell and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Olsman to approve the March 16, 2021 Consent Agenda as presented.

Ayes: Paul, Olsman, Rozell, Jenks, Elder

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

Mayor Paul noted the resignation of Bonnie Nowakowski and Norine Zimmer from the Arts & Garden Board.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Olsman and seconded by Commissioner Rozell to accept the resignations of Bonnie Nowakowski and Norine Zimmer from the Arts & Garden Board with thanks for time served.

Ayes: Paul, Olsman, Rozell, Elder

Nays: Jenks

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER AND ELECTED OFFICIAL REMARKS

Charlie Cavell – Oakland County Commissioner:

- Provided a Covid-19 update noting that Michigan has received 3.7 million vaccines. Oakland County has received over 400,000 of the 3.7 million. The County has distributed over 100,000 of those vaccines received.
- March 8, 2021 people fifty and up with health concerns or disabilities are able to register for the vaccine.
- March 22, 2021 anyone sixteen and up with health concerns will be eligible to register.
- April 5, 2021 anyone sixteen and up will be able to register for the vaccine.
- Provided his cell phone, 248-807-4347, if there are additional questions or concerns with Covid-19 or other County business.
- Visit Oaklandcountyvaccine.com to register for the vaccine which includes other links to private health systems that are also administering the vaccine.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Sue Tanner – 10867 Eleven Mile Rd.

Noted concern with the placement location of the outdoor exercise equipment being installed in Reynolds Park.

Gail Linden - 25840 Concord Rd.

Also noted concern with the placement location of the outdoor exercise equipment that has been proposed at Reynolds Park.

Bonnie Nowakowski - 10124 Talbot

Noted concern with the outdoor exercise equipment being accessible to disabled people.

Mark Nowakowski – 10124 Talbot

Noted concern with the placement and accessibility of the outdoor exercise equipment at Reynolds Park.

AWARD PRESENTATION FROM THE MICHIGAN RECREATION AND PARKS ASSOCIATION

Chad Stevens, the Awards Committee Chair from the Michigan Recreation and Parks Association, presented the City of Huntington Woods with the Innovative Programming

Award for the 2020 July 4th Virtual Parade. He commended the planning efforts of Bob Paul and Colette Nutton, the editing work of Judy Olds as well as the video contributions of City residents for the parade.

PRESENTATION FROM THE MICHIGAN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION (MICRC)

Rebecca Szetela, from the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission presented Michigan’s Redistricting Process.

History of the MICRC:

- 2018, Michigan voters passed Proposal 2, a ballot initiative, for voters and not legislators to take responsibility for nonpartisan redistricting and created the Michigan Independent Citizens Redistricting Commission (MICRC).
- Comprised of thirteen randomly selected Michigan residents that includes four Democrats, five Independents, and four Republicans.
- The MICRC is responsible for redistricting the U.S. Congressional, Michigan House, and the Michigan Senate districts.

Public Hearings:

- Before commissioners draft any redistricting plan, the commission shall hold at least ten public hearings throughout the state of Michigan.
- They have approved 16 public hearings equaling 1 per district.
- The purpose for the public hearings is to inform the public about the redistricting process, share the purpose and responsibilities of the commission and solicit information from the public about the potential redistricting plans.

Conclusion of presentation:

- MICRC is asking people to send questions, provide ideas to increase awareness and engagement and/or provide public comments about the redistricting process to Redistricting@michigan.gov or mail them to MICRC/P.O. Box 30318/Lansing, MI 48909.
- More information can be found about the upcoming public hearings at www.michigan.gov/MICRC.

RESOLUTION R -175-2021:

Matter of consideration to enter into a contract with Courtsmiths of Toledo, Ohio in the amount of \$65,400 to complete the tennis and pickleball court repairs as bid.

Moved by Commissioner Elder and seconded by Commissioner Jenks to enter into a contract with Courtsmiths of Toledo, Ohio in the amount of \$65,400 to complete the tennis and pickleball court repairs as bid.

Ayes: Paul, Olsman, Rozell, Elder, Jenks

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION R -176 -2021:

Matter of consideration to enter into a contract with SOCWA to have Hubbell Roth & Clark complete a water system Risk Resilience Assessment and Emergency Response Plan in an amount not to exceed \$9,900.00.

Moved by Commissioner Jenks and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Olsman to enter into a contract with SOCWA to have Hubbell Roth & Clark complete a water system Risk Resilience Assessment and Emergency Response Plan in an amount not to exceed \$9,900.00.

Ayes: Paul, Olsman, Elder, Jenks, Rozell
Nays: None
Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION R -177-2021:

Matter of consideration to award the 2021 pavement reconstruction, sewer repair/replacement and water main project contract to DiPonio Contracting of Shelby Township in the amount of \$1,848,046.49.

Moved by Commissioner Jenks and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Olsman to award the 2021 pavement reconstruction, sewer repair/replacement and water main project contract to DiPonio Contracting of Shelby Township in the amount of \$1,848,046.49.

Commissioner Comments:

Rozell: Asked that DiPonio while working in the City, pick up any trash they produce and attempt to limit the damage done to properties.

Ayes: Paul, Olsman, Elder, Jenks, Rozell
Nays: None
Absent: None

The Motion Carried

RESOLUTION R -178 -2021:

Matter of consideration of an Emergency Declaration for the Coronavirus COVID-19 Pandemic.

Mayor Paul noted this is an extension of the Emergency Declaration until August 31, 2021 unless the Commission ceases the declaration sooner.

Moved by Commissioner Jenks and seconded by Commissioner Elder to approve the Emergency Declaration for the Coronavirus COVID-19 Pandemic.

Ayes: Paul, Olsman, Rozell, Elder, Jenks

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION R -179 -2021

Matter of consideration of Temporary Modification to City Meeting Policies and Procedures.

Moved by Commissioner Jenks and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Olsman to approve the Temporary Modification to City Meeting Policies and Procedures.

Ayes: Paul, Olsman, Rozell, Elder, Jenks

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Olsman and seconded by Commissioner Elder to appoint Jennifer Gideon to the Arts & Garden Board.

Ayes: Paul, Olsman, Rozell, Elder, Jenks

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- Final touches are being done to the upcoming City newsletter. It will include information about the re-opening of the pool for the summer, residents will be able to purchase passes but under limited pool capacity. A reservation system will be implemented. The decision has been made to go ahead with the 2021 4th of July Parade with information about it included in the newsletter. No decision has been made yet on the 2021 fireworks show and will be based on the April vaccine rollout and the Governor's mandates on gathering sizes.

ADJOURNMENT:

Moved by Commissioner Jenks and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Olsman to adjourn the regular City Commission meeting.

Ayes: Paul, Olsman, Jenks, Elder, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried, meeting adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Heidi Barckholtz, City Clerk

Robert F. Paul, III, Mayor