

CITY OF HUNTINGTON WOODS  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
**February 1, 2022**  
7:30 p.m.  
City Hall

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

**PRESENT:** Mayor Paul, Mayor Pro Tem Elder, Commissioner Olsman,  
Commissioner Jenks, and Commissioner Rozell

**ABSENT:** None

City Staff Present: City Manager Wilson,  
Finance/Treasurer Director Rowland, City Clerk Barckholtz and City  
Attorney Rosati

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by Commissioner Olsman and seconded by Commissioner Rozell  
to approve the February 1, 2022 agenda as presented.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Olsman, Rozell, Elder

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Elder and seconded by Commissioner  
Olsman to approve the February 1, 2022 Consent Agenda.

Ayes: Paul, Olsman, Elder, Rozell, Jenks

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

Moved by Commissioner Olsman and seconded by Commissioner Rozell to accept the resignation of Jennifer Gideon from the Arts and Garden Board and thanked her for her time served.

Ayes: Paul, Olsman, Jenks, Elder, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER AND ELECTED OFFICIAL REMARKS**

None

**PROCLAMATIONS**

**A Proclamation  
of the City of Huntington Woods  
Declaring February 2022 Black History Month**

WHEREAS: During Black History Month, we celebrate the many achievements and contributions made by African Americans to our economic, cultural, spiritual, and political development; and

WHEREAS: Black History Month grew out of the establishment, in 1926, of Negro History Week by Carter G. Woodson and the Association for the Study of African American Life and History; and

WHEREAS: since 1976, every American president has designated February as Black History Month and endorsed a specific theme. The Black History Month 2022 theme, “Black Family: Representation, Identity and Diversity” explores the African diaspora, and the spread of black families across the United States.

WHEREAS: the observance of Black History Month calls our attention to the continued need to battle racism and build a society that lives up to its democratic ideals; and

WHEREAS: the City of Huntington Woods continues to work toward becoming an inclusive community in which all citizens past, present, and future are respected and recognized for their contributions and potential contributions to our community, the state, the country, and the world; and,

WHEREAS: the Huntington Woods Library is presenting a Children’s Department Black History Month Program on Saturday, February 19, 2022 to celebrate black authors and artists.

Now, therefore, in recognition of African Americans – past and present – in our community I, Robert Paul, Mayor of the City of Huntington Woods, Michigan, do hereby proclaim February 2022 to be Black History Month.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

None

**ORDINANCE No. \_\_\_\_\_ :**

Matter of consideration of an Adoption of an Ordinance to amend the City Code of the City of Huntington Woods, Chapter 16, Fire Prevention and Protection, Article II, Fire Code, to Adopt the 2021 Edition of the International Fire Code.

Moved by Commissioner Jenks and seconded by Commissioner Olsman to waive the first reading and approve the Adoption of an Ordinance to amend the City Code of the City of Huntington Woods, Chapter 16, Fire Prevention and Protection, Article II, Fire Code, to Adopt the 2021 Edition of the International Fire Code.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Olsman, Elder, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

**RESOLUTION R-4-2022:**

Matter of appointment of Rocco Fortura as Representative and Chris Wilson as Alternate to the Southeast Oakland County Water Authority (SOCWA) Board for the remainder of fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

Moved by Commissioner Rozell and seconded by Commissioner Jenks to appoint Rocco Fortura as Representative and Chris Wilson as Alternate to the Southeast Oakland County Water Authority (SOCWA) Board for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

Ayes: Paul, Olsman, Jenks, Elder, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

**RESOLUTION R-5-2022:**

Matter of appointment of Chris Wilson as Representative and Rocco Fortura as Alternate to the Southeast Oakland County Resource Recovery Authority (SOCRRA) Board for the remainder of fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

Moved by Commissioner Jenks and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Elder to appoint Chris Wilson as Representative and Rocco Fortura as Alternate to the Southeast Oakland County Resource

Recovery Authority (SOCRRA) Board for the remainder of fiscal year ending June 30, 2022.

Ayes: Paul, Elder, Olsman, Jenks, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

**BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEE REAPPOINTMENTS:**

Matter of reappointment of residents to various Boards, Commissions and Committees.

Mayor Paul presented his mayoral recommendations re-appointing Rick Polan and Jill Ingber to the Planning Commission, Chris Vohelheim to the Historic District Commission and Beth Applebaum to the Library Advisory Board, all re-appointments being three-year terms.

Moved by Commissioner Rozell and seconded by Commissioner Jenks to appoint Rick Polan and Jill Ingber to the Planning Commission, Chris Vohelheim to the Historic District Commission and Beth Applebaum to the Library Advisory Board, all three-year terms.

Ayes: Paul, Elder, Olsman, Jenks, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

Moved by Commissioner Jenks and seconded by Commissioner Olsman to re-appoint Jeff Aisen and Jessica Steinhart to the Parks and Recreation Board, Pamela Haxton and Marci Bykat to the Arts and Garden Board, Melissa Gold to the Senior Advisory Committee, Ben Falik to the Environmental Sustainability Committee and Adam Wallace and Ben Falik to the Zoning Board of Appeals, all three-year terms.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks Elder, Rozell, Olsman

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

Moved by Commissioner Jenks and seconded by Commissioner Rozell to re-appoint David Welch, William Butler and Ilene Cantor to the Communications Committee, Manjula Kaza-Eagan and Ellen Cogen-Lipton to the Ethics Board, Kevin Keller to the Board of Review, and Jeremy Wolfe and Richard Polan to the Construction and Property Maintenance Board of Review, all three-year terms.

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

**The Motion Carried.**

**BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS:**

Matter of appointments of residents to various Boards, Commissions and Committees.

Mayor Paul presented his mayoral recommendations appointing to the Historic District Commission, Michael Burshtein to a three-year term, Commissioner Jeff Jenks to a one-year term and Bridget McKinley to the Library Advisory Board for a three-year term.

Moved by Commissioner Olsman and seconded by Commissioner Rozell to appoint to the Historic District Commission, Michael Burshtein to a three-year term, Commissioner Jeff Jenks to a one-year term and Bridget McKinley to the Library Advisory Board for a three-year term.

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

**The Motion Carried**

Moved by Commissioner Olsman and seconded by Commissioner Rozell to appoint Rachel Loebel-Serman, Joseph Egan, and Kyle Foster to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Committee, Robert Smeltekop to the Arts and Garden Board, Sean Kristi and Betsy Zobl-Tar to the Environmental Sustainability Committee, and Blake Moore to the Construction and Property Maintenance Board of Review, all three-year terms.

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

**The Motion Carried**

Moved by Commissioner Rozell and seconded by Commissioner Jenks to appoint Andy Doctoroff and Michael Brooks to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a three-year term.

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

**The Motion Carried**

## **CITY MANAGER'S REPORT**

- The City has declared a snow emergency this afternoon until Friday noting street clearing will be first priority then sidewalk clearing.
- Interviews have been conducted for the Library Director and a decision should be made in the coming weeks.
- The Community Survey for Street Light Preferences continues. Once results are received, the City will be meeting with DTE.
- He has been working with the DPW on a Parks Inventory.
- The staff continue to work through the Solar Ordinance and should be bringing a draft for consideration to the Commission soon.

## **ADJOURNMENT:**

Moved by Commissioner Elder and seconded by Commissioner Rozell to adjourn the regular City Commission meeting.

Ayes: Paul, Olsman, Elder, Rozell, Jenks

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried, meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.**

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Heidi Barckholtz, City Clerk

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Robert F. Paul, III, Mayor