

CITY OF HUNTINGTON WOODS  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION  
MINUTES  
**FEBRUARY 21, 2023**  
7:30 p.m.  
CITY HALL

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

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

**ABSENT:** None

City Staff Present: City Manager Wilson

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Jenks and seconded by Commissioner Elder to approve the February 23, 2023 agenda as presented.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Elder, Olsman, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Jenks and seconded by Commissioner Rozell to approve the February 23, 2023 Consent Agenda as presented.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Elder, Olsman, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

**COMMUNICATIONS**

1. GFOA's Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting Letter

**Commissioner Comments:**

Mayor Paul asked Manager Wilson to comment on the letter. Wilson explained that this letter from the Government Finance Officers Association of Michigan was the highest recognition of financial reporting for the audit for FY 2021-22 and commended City staff for this award. The City has received this award for many years in a row.

**COUNTY COMMISSIONER AND ELECTED OFFICIAL REMARKS**

None

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

**Maribeth Krehbiel – Principal, Burton Elementary School**

Principal Krehbiel spoke about the Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) report presentation that was discussed in January and some information in that report that she felt was inaccurate relative to her position on Burton School being a School of Choice. Principal Krehbiel announced that Burton would be a School of Choice for the 2023-24 school year and explained the enrollment factors that went into the School Board making that decision. Principal Krehbiel also announced that she will be retiring and the end of June after 40 years in Education.

**Commissioner Comments:**

Commissioner Olsman thanked Principal Krehbiel for appearing before the Commission and for the information and clarification. Commissioner Olsman also thank Principal Krehbiel for her years of service to Berkley Schools and the City of Huntington Woods and congratulated her on her upcoming retirement.

**RESOLUTION R-6-2023**

Matter of consideration that the contract for the 2023 Pavement Resurfacing Project be awarded to Al's Asphalt Paving Co. of 25500 Brest Rd., Taylor, MI 48180 in the amount of \$187,771.25.

**Commissioner Comments:**

Commissioner Rozell inquired if this is the same contractor that did the paving work in the City during the summer of 2022. Manager Wilson replied that it was not.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Elder, Olsman, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

**BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEE RE-APPOINTMENTS AND NEW APPOINTMENTS:**

## MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

Mayor Paul noted the Mayoral appointment of Ed Engman to a three (3) year term on the Historic District Commission and the re-appointment of Steve Behrmann to the Historic District Commission for a three (3) year term.

Moved by Commissioner Rozell, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jenks to confirm the Mayoral appointments to the Historic District Commission.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Elder, Olsman, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

## NON-MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Jenks, Seconded by Commissioner Rozell to appoint Elizabeth-Ann Pandzich to the Communications Committee for a three (3) year term.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Elder, Olsman, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried.**

## CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- The City is moving forward with the purchase of laptops for City Commissioner's to use for email and for Commission Meeting Agenda packets. This will help the City with a reduction in paper and printing costs. All software and security features will be installed by the City's IT provider prior to issuance to Commissioners.
- City Administration is working on acquiring and installing flatscreen televisions for the Commission Chambers that will allow residents or Public Officials to communicate with the City Commission and participate in City Commission Meetings
- The Environmental Sustainability Committee is in the process of reviewing their by-laws and mission statement and should have recommendations for updates to both ready for the Commission's review and consideration at their regular March meeting.
- Reported that City Administration and Mayor Paul met with Michael Task of US Representative Haley Stevens' staff and provided information on the infrastructure needs of the City and learned about the potential to procure federal funding for these projects. In addition, City Staff received contact info for caseworks in Rep. Stevens District Office for local residents that need such assistance.

- City Administration has also been contacted by Christopher Johnson of State Senator Malory McMorrow's office and that Sen McMorrow looks forward to meeting with the City Commission at a future date.
- The Anti-Racism Advisory Committee has been working with Communication Engagement Officer Ferrara on weekly information for Black History Month to be included in the weekly e-mail blasts.
- The City's second annual Juneteenth Celebration will be held on Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup> from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. at the Recreation Center Parking lot, similar to last year's event.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Moved by Commissioner Rozell, Seconded by Commissioner Rozell, to adjourn the regular City Commission meeting.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Elder, Olsman, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

**The Motion Carried, meeting adjourned at 8:01 p.m.**

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Heidi Barckholtz, City Clerk

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Robert F. Paul, III, Mayor