

CITY OF HUNTINGTON WOODS
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES
June 20, 2023
7:30 p.m.
CITY HALL

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

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

ABSENT: None

City Staff Present: City Manager Wilson, Finance Director Haan, City Clerk Barckholtz, Zoning Administrator Berry and City Attorney Rosati

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Jenks and seconded by Commissioner Rozell to approve the June 20, 2023 agenda as presented.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Olsman, Elder, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Commissioner Elder and seconded by Commissioner Olsman to approve the June 20, 2023 Consent Agenda as presented.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Elder, Rozell, Olsman

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

COMMUNICATIONS

None

PROCLAMATIONS

1. Commissioner Olsman read into the record the Proclamation honoring MariBeth Krehbiel, Burton Elementary School Principal.

PROCLAMATION BY THE CITY OF HUNTINGTON WOODS IN HONOR OF MARIBETH KREHBIEL

WHEREAS, Maribeth Krehbiel has served with distinction as a classroom teacher, assistant principal and principal at numerous schools in the Berkley School District. She served as a classroom teacher from 1988-1999 at Burton Elementary School. She then returned as principal in 2008 and has served in that capacity continuously since that time;

WHEREAS, Maribeth Krehbiel has announced her well-earned retirement at the end of the school year in June of 2023;

WHEREAS, Maribeth Krehbiel's efforts as a teacher and principal have contributed in a significant and positive manner to the lives and education of the countless students that she has taught and interacted with during her long tenure as a teacher and administrator. Her goal has always been to help every student secure a bright future;

WHEREAS, Maribeth Krehbiel has further distinguished herself as a leader and role model in the Berkley School District and in the civic life of Huntington Woods;

WHEREAS, Maribeth Krehbiel earned a Master's in Education Administration and a Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education from Michigan State University. She remains a proud member of the Spartan Nation;

WHEREAS, the Huntington Woods City Commission has named Maribeth Krehbiel as the Grand Marshal of the 2023 Huntington Woods 4th of July Parade;

THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, the City of Huntington Woods and its Mayor express their profound appreciation to Maribeth Krehbiel for her outstanding contributions to our community as an educator and school administrator during her long and distinguished tenure at Burton and in the Berkley School District;

IN WITNESS, WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand this 20th day of June 2023 and caused the seal of the City of Huntington Woods to be herein affixed.

2. Mayor Paul read into record, a Proclamation recognizing June 2023 as LGBTQIA Pride month.

**A Proclamation
of the City of Huntington Woods
Recognizing June 2023 as LGBTQIA Pride Month**

WHEREAS, the City of Huntington Woods cherishes the value and dignity of each person and appreciates the importance of equality and freedom; and

WHEREAS, all are welcome in the City of Huntington Woods to live, work, play, and every family, in any shape, deserves a place to call home where they are safe, happy, and supported by friends and neighbors; and

WHEREAS, the City denounces prejudice and unfair discrimination based on age, gender identity, gender expression, race, color, religion, marital status, national origin, sexual orientation, or physical attributes as an affront to our fundamental principles; and

WHEREAS, Pride month began in June of 1969 on the one-year anniversary of the Stonewall Uprising in New York City after LGBTQIA and allied friends rose up and fought against the constant police harassment and discriminatory laws that have since been declared unconstitutional; and

WHEREAS, the City appreciates the cultural, civic, and economic contributions of Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, Intersex, Asexual (LGBTQIA) community which strengthen our social welfare; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative that young people in our community, regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, and expression, feel valued, safe, empowered, and supported by their peers and community leaders; and

WHEREAS, despite being marginalized, LGBTQIA people continue to celebrate authenticity, acceptance, and love.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the members of this City Commission declare the month of June 2023 as LGBTQIA Pride Month in the City of Huntington Woods and urge residents to recognize the contributions made by members of the LGBTQIA community and to actively promote the principles of equality, liberty, and justice.

Proclaimed at the Regular City Commission meeting of June 20, 2023.

COUNTY COMMISSIONER AND ELECTED OFFICIAL REMARKS

None

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None

RESOLUTION-24-2023

Matter of consideration to approve the petition from 8675 Nadine for off-street parking.

Moved by Commissioner Olsman and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jenks to deny the petition from 8675 Nadine for off-street parking.

Hank Berry, City Zoning Officer, submitted exploratory information requested by the Commission at the June meeting for the 8675 Nadine off-street parking spot. Reports were obtained from the City Engineers, Nowak and Fraus, Public Safety Chief, Andrew Pazuchowski, TIA (Transportation Improvement Association) as well as reports from City staff. The overall consensus was the safety concerns Mr. Lewis noted could be better addressed with the installation of a parking T on his own property.

Mr. Lewis again presented the case to maintain the right-of-way parking space he feels allows him to safely back onto the street, avoiding oncoming traffic. He further noted he feels the City traffic study was lacking and referenced RCOC recommendations for driveways in the same scenario being of safety concerns.

Commissioner Comments:

Olsman:

Noted he drives that area daily and the only issue he sees in regard to traffic safety is that of delivery vehicles. He agrees that the problem could be corrected with a circle drive on Mr. Lewis's property. He suggested Mr. Lewis apply for a variance for a circle or parking T.

Rozell:

As he appreciates Mr. Lewis's concerns, he noted RCOC does not govern City roads and feels the alternatives offered with the traffic studies are a reasonable solution to Mr. Lewis's concerns. He referenced a property on Borgman with the same scenario that was remedied with a circle drive.

Public Comments:

Thomas Franco – 26370 Humber:

He noted support for the allowance of the right-of-way space and expressed concerns with circle drives creating more run off versus right-of-way parking spaces.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Elder, Rozell, Olsman

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION R-25-2023

Matter of consideration to approve the petition from 8776 Nadine for off-street parking.

Moved by Commissioner Olsman and seconded by Commissioner Rozell to approve the petition from 8776 Nadine for off street parking due to the unique configuration of the lot and that it be installed as a single space and conforms with Ordinance 32-274, subsection three (3) & seven (7), which states it must be installed with permeable brick. Installation of the single off-street parking space is to be done at the cost of the homeowner.

The Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Olsman, Elder, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried

RESOLUTION R-26-2023

Matter of consideration to approve the Fourth Quarter 2022-2023 Budget Amendments.

Moved by Commissioner Elder and seconded by Commissioner Olsman to approve the Fourth Quarter 2022-2023 Budget Amendments.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Olsman, Elder, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION R-27-2023

Matter of consideration of the approval of the Banks, Brokers, and Dealers for the City Deposits as required by the City of Huntington Woods Investment Policy.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Jenks and seconded by Commissioner Olsman to approve the Banks, Brokers, and Dealers for the City Deposits as required by the City of Huntington Woods Investment Policy.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Olsman, Elder, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION R-28-2023

Matter of consideration to approve and authorize the City Manager to execute the Purchase Agreement for a Rosenbauer Pumper with Rosenbauer Commander Chassis per the terms and specifications of the contract dated June 1, 2023 in the amount not to exceed \$704,500.00.

Manager Wilson noted for the Commission that Director Pazuchowski has found a firm for a new fire engine, Rosenbauer, that agreed to a price of \$704,500 with a lead time of eighteen months versus forty-four months lead time provided from the previous vendor. With more competitive pricing and quicker lead time it is the opinion of the Public Safety Department and City Administration that the Rosenbauer apparatus be considered in the best interest of the City. A draft agreement was provided to the Commission. The plan to set aside \$70,000 for a down payment remains the same.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Jenks and seconded by Commissioner Elder to approve and authorize the City Manager to execute the Purchase Agreement for a Rosenbauer Pumper with Rosenbauer Commander Chassis per the terms and specifications of the contract dated June 1, 2023 in the amount not to exceed \$704,500.00.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Rozell, Olsman, Elder

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION R-29-2023

Matter of consideration to approve the license application for the Bureau of Fire Services for fireworks show on July 4, 2023.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Jenks and seconded by Commissioner Olsman to approve the license application for the Bureau of Fire Services for fireworks show on July 4, 2023.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Olsman, Elder, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION R-30-2023

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 fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.

Moved by Commissioner Rozell and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jenks to appoint Chris Wilson as Representative and Rocco Fortura as Alternate to the Southeast Oakland County Resource Recovery Authority (SOCRRA) Board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Rozell, Olsman, Elder

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

RESOLUTION R-31-2023

Matter of appointment of Rocco Fortura as Representative and Chris Wilson as Alternate to the Southeast Oakland County Water Authority (SOCWA) Board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Jenks and seconded by Commissioner Elder to appoint Rocco Fortura as Representative and Chris Wilson as Alternate to the Southeast Oakland County Water Authority (SOCWA) Board for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Rozell, Elder, Olsman

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

CLOSED SESSION

Matter of consideration to enter into a Closed Session pursuant to MCL.15.268 immediately following the Regular Meeting to discuss union negotiations.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Jenks and seconded by Commissioner Rozell to enter into a Closed Session pursuant to MCL.15.268 immediately following the Regular Meeting to discuss union negotiations.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Olsman, Elder, Rozell

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- Thanked the Anti-Racism Committee as well as the Recreation Center and Communication Officer Ferrara for their hard work planning the Juneteenth event. The 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. time slot worked well with over three hundred in attendance. The food and entertainment were well received.
- The Fourth of July fireworks show will start around 10:00 p.m. on July 4, 2023. It will be in a slightly different location than last year, but Rackham will again be opening their lot for parking.

Recessed at 8:22 p.m.

Moved into Closed Session at 8:30 p.m.

Returned to Regular Meeting at 8:50

Moved by Commissioner Rozell and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jenks to authorize the City Manager to execute the PSO contract per the discussion regarding union negotiations.

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Rozell, Olsman, Elder

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

Ayes: Paul, Jenks, Elder, Rozell, Olsman

Nays: None

Absent: None

The Motion Carried, meeting adjourned at 8:52 p.m.

Heidi Barckholtz, City Clerk

Robert F. Paul, III, Mayor