

September 14, 2015

Mayor Jenkins opened the regular meeting of the Gaylord City Council with prayer by Council Member Wishart at 7:00pm pm on Monday September 14, 2015, in the City Council Chambers, located in the Gaylord City Hall, 305 East Main Street, Gaylord, Michigan. The Pledge of Allegiance followed the invocation.

Members Present: Jenkins, Johnson, Mankowski, Sharrard and Wishart.

Members Absent: Campbell and Duczkowski. Motion by Wishart, supported by Sharrard to excuse Duczkowski and Campbell.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Sharrard, supported by Mankowski, to amend the agenda for the meeting by adding under New Business: #11 – Resolution of Support Gaylord IV Limited Dividend Housing Association LTD Partnership.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Mankowski, supported by Sharrard, to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and to accept them as presented.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson, supported by Wishart, to accept the recommendation of the Future Planning Committee and attain a cost estimate for the South Main Alleyway.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Sharrard, supported by Johnson, to accept the recommendation of the Future Planning Committee and add an additional \$11,000 towards MERS monthly payments to cure the unfunded liability and allow 100% funding in 15 years.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Ms. Tammy LaBouef, 333 Felshaw Street, asked if there was room in the budget for the extra contribution and where the fund balance was at.

Motion by Mankowski, supported by Johnson, to accept Granger Construction's bid on the Fairview Cemetery Roof Bid in the amount of \$ 11,270.20.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Mr. Chris Holborn was present representing his father, Mr. Jerry Holborn, requested an outer wall siding and paving variance for a storage building facility at 133 N Illinois Ave, C-2, Central Commercial District. Mr. Holborn requested that he be permitted to vinyl side the front the unit facing Illinois Street and use metal siding around the other three sides as well as gravel on parking and driveways instead of concrete.

Motion by Sharrard, supported by Mankowski, to allow the variance as requested.

Ayes: Mankowski, Sharrard, Jenkins.

Nays: Wishart and Johnson. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson, supported by Sharrard, to accept legal council's advice and not place the Initiative Petition of Proposing Zoning Ordinance Change allowing Medical Marihuana Provisioning Centers onto the next available ballot but to direct it to the Planning Commission.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Mr. Alan Wick, 120 North Illinois Avenue, asked to meet with Mr. Joe Duff and the City's attorney to keep moving forward with the petition.

Motion by Wishart, supported by Sharrard to accept the resignation of Rebecca Curtis as City Clerk.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Ms. Terry Shattuck of the Order of the Purple Heart was present to ask the city to sign a proclamation to become a Purple Heart City.

Motion by Mankowski, supported by Wishart to sign the proclamation and become a Purple Heart City.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Ms. Laura Hansmann of the Alpine Regional Tennis Association (ARTA) was present requesting that the council recondition the tennis courts at Aspen Park with some financial support for the ARTA in exchange for the ability to reserve courts for their use. The council referred the matter to the Parks and Recreation Committee for their recommendation.

Proposal for a Recreation Plan update was referred to the Parks and Recreation Committee.

Vacating of Shipp Street was referred to the Future Planning Committee for their recommendation.

Motion by Mankowski, supported by Sharrard to approve payment of expenditures in the amount of \$578,511.71 (list available for review).

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Wishart, supported by Sharrard to approve the Resolution of Support Gaylord IV Limited Dividend Housing Association LTP Partnership.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Ms. Tammy Labouef, 333 Felshaw Street, asked about where the creation of 328 jobs was coming from.

Mr. Alan Wick, 120 North Illinois Street, commented that the case cited by legal counsel regarding the initiative petition applied to rezoning, not adding a use.

Mr. James Flint, 217 East Sheldon Street, addressed the council in regards to the minutes from the Future Planning Committee meeting on September 2, 2015 in regards to getting an attorney's opinion on the use of the word "obsolete" in reference to a redevelopment district. He also mentioned it would be nice to have a financial report from the Treasurer.

Motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:19 p.m.

Kimberly Awrey, Deputy Clerk

John Jenkins, Mayor