

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on May 13, 2019 at the City Office.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Gehring and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Present: Mayor Gehring, Treasurer Keerl, Clerk Pierce, Council Members: Peterson, Kaiser, Luenberger, Baird, Ferguson, Thomas, Attorney Cook and guests.

Motion by Ferguson, support by Luenberger to approve the minutes of April 8, 2019. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Baird, support by Peterson to pay the bills in the amount of \$34,768.23. Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Gehring addressed the issue of summer help applications. Will advertise on social media sites for additional applicants.

Spring Cleanup dates are May 24, 2019 and June 7, 2019. Place bundled and bagged yard waste (only) at curbside for pick up.

Spring Hydrant flushing took place April 22-26 2019. All went well.

Mayor Gehring presented a bid estimate from Hartman Roofing and Maintenance for replacement of the roof at the District #2 Health Center (VFW).

Motion by Baird, support by Luenberger to put out for bid, the replacement of the shingles on the roof of the District Health Department #2 building on Lake St. (VFW). Motion carried: 6-0.

Mayor Gehring brought forth the MI Regional Prosperity Initiative Funding Reinstatement: NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, THAT THE Northeast MI Council of Government's Board of Directors respectfully requests reinstatement of funds for the Regional Prosperity Initiative.

Moved by Ferguson, seconded by Thomas to approve Resolution #2019-03 at a regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council held on Monday, May 13, 2019 and passed by a vote of: Ayes: Luenberger, Thomas, Kaiser, Baird, Ferguson, Peterson. Nays: 0. Abstain: 0. Resolution passed 6-0.

Craftmakers' Cabin has requested use of city property for the Annual Craft and Vendor Fair, beginning Thursday, July 4 for setup through Sunday July 7, 2019 10 am-4:00 pm.

Motion by Thomas, support by Luenberger for Craftmakers' Cabin to use city property for the annual 4th of July, 2019 Craft and Vendor Fair. Motion carried: 6-0.

Nancy Miller, Craftmakers' Cabin Chairman, has requested permission from city council to purchase and place a totem pole on the south east corner of the cabin where a sign used to be.

Motion by Thomas, support by Peterson to grant permission to Craftmakers' Cabin to purchase, through fundraising, and place a totem pole at the southeast corner of the property. Motion carried: 6-0.

Mayor Gehring discussed with council, information on the new zoning ordinances pertaining to the marijuana draft ordinances which were presented to council. The planning commission will meet at a Public Meeting on Wednesday, June 5, 2019 at 6:30 for public input. The new ordinances will be published on the city's website: harrisvillemi.org, for public access.

REPORTS

Clerk Pierce: OHM Engineering has agreed, with Steve Warren as representative, to be the Prime Professional as required in the DNR Passport Grant process for the Playground project, to secure all permits and regulatory approvals needed to complete the project.

Harbor Commissioner Baird: Reports two new Harbor Commissioner appointments.

Motion by Ferguson, support by Baird to appoint Michael Hamather and Jeff Daneworth as Harbor Commissioners. Motion carried: 6-0.

Harbormaster Ferguson reported on the current construction at the harbor and is assured that the harbor will be able to begin pumping fuel by Wednesday, May 15, 2019. Discussion concerning public fishing off the harbor docks. Ongoing concerns were addressed. Was noted the harbor missed out being stocked with fish by the state because of the lack of public fishing availability. Mayor Gehring assures that he is committed to the issue of available public fishing at the harbor.

Planning Commissioner Baird: Baird is the liaison between the city and Harbortown Development, LLC., Rick Pender, for the housing development beginning construction on 3rd St. House has been set and water/sewer hookups will be started this week.

Airport Co-Manager Colleen Higgins requested approval to change signatures on Airport Credit Union account.

Higgins also reports that they have made contact with the property owner whose trees are in need of being cut to allow for a clearer flight approach to the landing strip. They have also made contact with the owner of the hanger who has agreed to the demolition of the hanger.

Motion by Baird, support by Ferguson to change signature cards of the Airport account at the Alpena Alcona Area Credit Union. Keerl, C. Higgins, E. Higgins will remain on account. Motion carried: 6-0.

Fire Department Assistant Chief Keerl reports there were 3 fire runs and 34 medical calls. Medical First Responder Roger Klukowski responded to a life threatening call and was able to respond in a timely manner to assist in applying his knowledge and his experience to address the seriousness of the situation.

County Commissioner Johnston: The county has been in the process of their annual audit. Oscoda Township has been in contact with the county commission in discussion about combining their efforts with the Alcona County EMS. Johnston also shared that there is an effort to revitalize the County Economic Development Committee.

Comment cards: Monica Spears introduced herself and her business partner, Jennifer Koslow, to their new business on Main St., The Hollyhock Emporium. It is an upscale consignment shop with clothing and accessories, along with art offerings from local artists. Welcome.

Councils Last Comments: Alderman Baird addressed website issues. Addressed audit issues. Alderman Ferguson commented on the improvement to the city compost site and how it continues to be cleared and tended to.

Baird moved meeting to be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 8:28 PM.

Next City Council meeting: June 10, 2019 at 7:00 PM at City Hall.

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Mayor _____ Clerk _____