

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on May 8, 2023 at the City Office.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Pro Tem Schwanz and the Pledge of Allegiance was said. Present: Mayor Pro Tem Schwanz, Treasurer Luenberger, Clerk Pierce, Council Members: Kaiser, Vanderheuel, Mason, Bean, and guests. Absent: Mayor Gehring.

Motion by Mason, support by Vanderheuel to approve the minutes of April 10, 2023. Motion carried 6-0.

Motion by Mason, support by Kaiser to pay the bills in the amount of \$90,797.65. Motion carried 6-0.

Mayor Pro Tem Schwanz asked Tom Keerl, city website administrator, to update council on adjustments made to the city's website. Discussion. All City Aldermen have been issued new email addresses. These can be found on the city web site [harrisvillemi.org](http://harrisvillemi.org). in the Local Government page. The city is transitioning to a new email address: [harrisville@harrisvillemi.org](mailto:harrisville@harrisvillemi.org). Please begin using this address for all future correspondence.

A new marijuana provisioning center, Highly Cannaco, has addressed the possibility of including a "tasting room" within its facility, which will be housed in the old Moosetales building on US23. Discussion.

Motion by Mason, second by Bauermeister to table further discussion until June 12 city council meeting. Motion carried: 6-0.

Tom Keerl, maintenance supervisor, addressed corrosion on the metal benches on Main St. Discussion. City maintenance workers will address the issue.

May Fest, planned for Saturday, May 20, 2023 on Main St. in Harrisville, has not yet completed necessary paperwork for liability coverage. Teri O'Callaghan will submit needed forms.

ATV Fun Run organized as a fund-raising event for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July fireworks for Harrisville and Barton City was very successful and raised \$3500.00.

Resolution #2023-06: Authorizing Non-Motorized Transportation Improvements. WHEREAS, THE City of Harrisville, State of Michigan, receives Act 51 funds from the State of Michigan and the City of Harrisville is currently in non-compliance with the Actual qualified expenditures, Section 10 k of the Act 51 law, In the next 3 years the City will implement one of these options: A: Grant Request: HSIP (Highway Safety Improvement Program) or Recreational Passport Grant for 2023 Sidewalk Project to include portions of Lake St. to Main St. and North side of Church St., west to US23.

Motion by Bean, support by Kaiser: NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED: That the City of Harrisville hereby submit to the State of Michigan a plan to bring the City into compliance. AYES: Schwanz, Bauermeister, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Vanderheuel. Nays: 0. Motion carried: 6-0.

Mayor Pro Tem Schwanz proclaims Saturday, May 20, 2023 as Kids to Park Day in the City of Harrisville.

Harrisville Raingarden Project at the harbor discussed.

Mayor Pro Tem Schwanz discussed a proposal from Catch-M-Cams for purchase and installation of security cameras at the harbor playground. Discussion.

Motion by Bauermeister, support by Vanderheuel to table further discussion until the June 12 city council meeting to hear from Mayor Gehring on the need for the implementation of the cameras. Motion carried: 6-0.

Contract from Huron Pines for invasive species control for two years, in the amounts of \$2,500. - \$3,500., dependent upon options chosen by city council. Discussion.

Motion by Bauermeister, support by Bean to contract with Huron Pines for two years for control of invasive species within the city, choosing Option 2, in the amount of \$3000.00 Motion carried: 6-0.

Treasurer Luenberger discussed the payment program, ALLPAID. Discussion.

Motion by Vanderheuel, support by Bauermeister to approve the treasurer to use the ALLPAID system for payment of city taxes and water bills. Motion carried: 6-0.

Discussion on street closures for May Fest.

Motion by Vanderheuel to close Main St. from Lake St. to 1<sup>st</sup> St. for the May Fest activities. Motion died for lack of support.

Motion by Mason, support by Bauermeister to close Main St. from the west driveway of the Cole Apartments to 3<sup>rd</sup> St. if needed. Motion carried: 5-1.

All city council members now have their own city email addresses. This eliminates the need for council to use their private email addresses for constituent correspondence. All city council aldermen email addresses are listed on the city website: harrisville@harrisvillemi.org.

## REPORTS

Mayor Pro Tem Schwanz asked about summer help applications. Discussion.

Clerk Pierce addressed letter from Craftmakers Cabin for use of city property.

Motion by Bauermeister, support by Vanderheuel to approve Craftmakers Cabin to use city property to hold Saturday Pop-Up sales from 9AM-2-PM on June 17, June 24, August 19, September 16, October 2. Motion carried: 6-0.

Clerk Pierce asked about viability of the Oscoda AuSable Chamber of Commerce. Discussion.

Motion by Mason, support by Vanderheuel for the city to join the Oscoda AuSable Chamber of Commerce for 2023 at a membership fee of \$50.00. Motion carried: 6-0.

FYI from the State of Michigan as to the State Revolving Fund Grant agreement for work on the city lagoons. This is only preliminary information.

Included are the signed agreements from The Alcona Music Project and Inspiration Alcona for the use of the Harbor Pavilion for the designated dates throughout the summer season for their respective venues.

Treasurer Luenberger presented the adjusted budgets of the General Fund and Marijuana Licensing Fund.

Motion by Mason, support by Kaiser to approve the budget adjustments to the General Fund and the Marijuana Licensing Fund. Motion carried: 6-0.

Planning Commission Ex-officio Schwanz reports that the contract with NEMCOG for updating the city Recreation Plan has been signed and sent. The next Planning Commission meeting is May 10, 2023 at 6:30 PM.

Tree board member Tom Keerl says Griff and Son has agreed to cut and trim several large trees in the city when they are available.

Fire Department Asst. Chief Keerl reports the harbor is one of the recipients of the AED equipment in addition to the fire department. One hundred pagers were awarded to the county for

the fire departments within the county and distributed throughout the departments. The city has new pagers in all its trucks. The new fire hoses have not yet arrived.

Comment Cards: Guest Dirk V. discussed the construction of a permanent event structure at the upper parking lot at the harbor. Guest Monica Spears shared the plans to hold a City-Wide Garage Sale on Saturday, June 17 and Sunday, June 18, 2023. For more information call her at: 989-916-6500.

Councils Last Comments: Alderman Bauermeister asked about the street bids for covering the streets in the city. Bolen Paving has been awarded the contract. Bauermeister suggested that flyers and/or other means of communication be distributed to city residents well prior to the actual work beginning. He also suggested the damaged water fountain at the end of Main St. have snow fencing placed around it as a safety precaution. Alderman Kaiser inquired about the number of sidewalks that could be repaired. It is dependent on the amount of money available.

Motion by Mason, second by Bauermeister to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 8:45 PM.

Next regularly scheduled City Council meeting, Monday, June 12, 2023 at 7:00 PM.

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Clerk \_\_\_\_\_