

STANDISH CITY COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

JULY 15, 2010

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Winslow called the regular meeting of the Standish City Council to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Winslow.

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Ireland, Winslow, Macaulay, Sanford, Tunney

Absent: Nelson & Reno

MOTION by Ireland and supported by Macaulay to excuse the absence of Reno. The motion carried.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Manager Moran requested that item A under New Business, AP Sites Technical Transition Update be removed.

MOTION by Sanford and supported by Tunney to approve the agenda as amended. The motion carried.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Tim Barnum introduced himself to Council and those present as a candidate for the 97th State Representative seat to be elected in November 2010. Barnum stated his platform on the issues that he felt was important to Northeastern Michigan and asked for support at the August and November elections.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION by Sanford and supported by Ireland to approve the minutes of the June 17, 2010 regular council meeting as submitted. The motion carried.

7. APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

MOTION by Ireland and supported by Tunney to pay the invoices as submitted in the amount of \$33,374.75. A roll call vote was requested.

YEAS: Macaulay, Tunney, Ireland, Sanford, Winslow

NAYS: None
 ABSENT: Nelson & Reno

The motion carried.

8. **OLD BUSINESS**

A. *ADOPTION - ORDINANCE # 246 – MEDICAL MARIHUANA MORATORIUM*

MOVED by Macaulay and supported by Ireland to adopt Ordinance #246 – Medical Marihuana Moratorium as follows:

THE CITY OF STANDISH ORDAINS:

1. That Title XI Business Regulations of the City Code of the City of Standish, in particular, Chapter 110 be amended to add Section 110-05 to read Moratorium on Issuance of Permits for the Sale or Dispensation of Medcial Marihuana within the City of Standish.
2. Section 110-05 shall read: There is hereby imposed for a period of six (6) months from the effective date of this ordinance a moratorium on the issuance of any and all permits or licenses for the sale or dispensation of medical marihuana within the City of Standish.
3. The moratorium imposed by this ordinance shall expire on the earlier of six (6) months from the effective date of this amendment to the City Code or the effective date of any amendment to the zoning ordinance being XV Land Usage, in particular, Chapter 153 Zoning Regulations.
4. This ordinance takes effect 30 days after its publication in the Arenac Independent, Standish, Michigan

A roll call vote was taken.

YEAS: Macaulay, Tunney, Sanford, Ireland Winslow
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: Nelson & Reno

The motion was declared passed and the Ordinance was adopted.

B. *RECYCLING UPDATE*

Kristine DeTroyer of Sunrise Disposal appeared before Council and offered an alternative plan to handle recycling for the City of Standish. DeTroyer stated that she had met with representatives from Arenac Opportunities and discussed the alternative plan.

In the plan, the City would purchase recycle bags at \$2.50 per bag that would be sold to residents that wish to recycle their waste. The residents would then take their recyclables to the drop off spot which would be at Arenac Opportunities where Sunrise Disposal would do the pick up.

DeTroyer stated that \$0.50 of the cost of the bags would go directly to Arenac Opportunities while the remaining \$2.00 would go to Sunrise Disposal to cover their costs. DeTroyer also stated that any recycle bags that the City did not sell would be bought back by Sunrise Disposal.

DeTroyer stated that she was not looking for approval from the City at this time. Council took no action on any recycling issues.

9. NEW BUSINESS

B. BUILDING AUTHORITY MEMBERSHIP DISCUSSION

Manager Moran informed Council on an existing City Building Authority that only requires appointments to fill the vacant positions. Moran stated that it is the intent of the Standish Area Fire Authority to use the City's Building Authority for the USDA Loan/Grant funds for the construction of the Fire Barn.

Some of the people suggested to serve on the Building Authority were, Tom and Chris Goike, Jim Somerfield, Lisa Hinkley and Rick Weishuhn. Moran was directed to contact these people and ask if they would be willing to volunteer to serve on the City's Building Authority.

C. MERS - BENEFIT - COLA ALLOWANCE

MOVED by Sanford and supported by Ireland direct the City to contact MERS and have them complete an actuarial valuation for the Benefit E Retirement Program at a cost of \$150.00

YEAS: Ireland, Tunney, Sanford, Macaulay, Winslow
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: Nelson & Reno

The motion carried.

D. ELECTION COMMISSION APPOINTMENT

MOVED by Sanford and supported by Tunney to appoint Theresa Gwisdala to the City of Standish Election Commission.

YEAS: Macaulay, Ireland, Sanford, Tunney, Winslow
 NAYS: None
 ABSENT: Nelson, Reno

The motion carried.

E. HERITAGE ROUTE MEMBERSHIP FEES

Council discussed the Heritage Route Membership Fees totaling \$1046.00 and the benefits received by the City from being a member of said group.

No action was taken.

F. TREE REMOVAL - 204 S. JAMES STREET

Council discussed the diseased and dying trees located in the City's rights of way and the need for removal of same. A particular tree is located at 204 S. James Street, which Manager Moran informed Council needed to be removed. Sanford suggested that if the City were to contract with an Independent Contractor for tree removal that more than just one tree should be considered for removal.

Moran stated that the City Auditor will be at City Hall for a preliminary audit on July 27, 2010 and suggested that prior to the Council making any decisions on the removal of trees, that the City's finances be reviewed.

It was suggested that ACT 51 funds received from the State of Michigan may be able to be used to pay for the tree removal. The Clerk was directed to verify that ACT 51 funds could be used for tree removal.

No action was taken by Council on the tree removal.

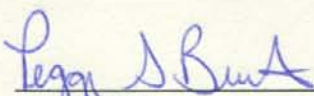
10. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business brought before Council

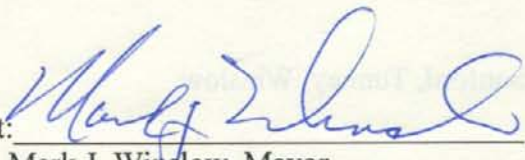
11. ADJOURNMENT

With nothing further to come before Council, Mayor Winslow adjourned the meeting at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:



Peggy S Burtch
Clerk/Treasurer

Attest: 

Mark J. Winslow, Mayor