

Council Chambers
Hillsdale City Hall
97 N. Broad St.
Hillsdale, MI 49242

October 06, 2014
7:00 p.m.
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CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

City of Hillsdale
Regular Meeting

Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Scott Sessions opened the meeting with the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call

Councilperson Kinney moved that Councilperson Brian Watkins be excused from the October 6, 2014 meeting. Councilperson Flannery seconded.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

Mayor Scott Sessions called the meeting to order with the following Council members present: Council members Adam Stockford representing Ward One; Councilmember Sally Kinney representing Ward Two; Council members Emily Stack-Davis and Bruce Sharp representing Ward Three; and Council members Mary Beth Bail and Patrick Flannery representing Ward Four.

Also present were City Attorney Lewis Loren, Acting City Manager Doug Terry, Deputy Clerk Michelle Loren, Kay Freese (HR), Bonnie Tew (Finance), Keith Richard (DPS), Rick Rose (BPU), Nate Rusk (BPU), Ruth Brown, Eric Hoffman (Stillwell Ford), Roger Karr, Tony Ginolfi, Ted Jansen, Alan & Julie Beeker, Jeff King, James Scheibner (Airport Manager).

Acting City Manager Doug Terry recognized City Manager Brown for her service for the City and wished her well in her recovery.

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Councilperson Flannery, supported by Councilperson Stack-Davis, to approve the October 06, 2014 Agenda as amended.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

Public Comment

None

Consent Agenda

- A. Approval of Bills from September 25, 2014; Claims of \$172,020.51; Payroll of \$86,834.35.
- B. Committee Reports:
 1. TIFA Minutes of July 30, 2014
 2. TIFA Target Development Minutes of July 28, 2014 and August 25, 2014
 3. Finance Minutes of September 2, 2014, September 15, 2014, and September 29, 2014
- C. Council Minutes of September 15, 2014
- D. SOAR Program Agreement

Motion by Councilperson Flannery, supported by Councilperson Sharp, to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Roll call: Councilpersons Stack Davis – yes; Flannery – yes; Kinney – yes; Sharp – yes; Stockford – yes; Watkins – yes; Mayor Sessions – yes; Bail – yes.

Approved 7-0.

Motion carried.

Communications and Petitions

None

Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances/Public Hearings

- A. Public Hearing – Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption: Alan Williams. Mayor Sessions opened the public hearing for comment regarding the award of an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption (OPRA) for Alan Williams, 116-120 N. Broad St. No public comment was made. No council comment was made.

PUBLIC HEARINGS
OPRA
ALAN WILLIAMS
RES 3191

Motion by Councilperson Flannery, supported by Councilperson Kinney, to adopt Resolution #3191 granting the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption for 116-120 N. Broad St. for a period of 10 years. Roll call: Councilpersons Flannery, yes; Kinney – yes; Sharp – yes; Stockford – yes; Mayor Sessions – yes; Councilpersons Bail – yes; Stack-Davis – yes.

Approved 7-0.

Motion carried.

- B. Public Hearing – Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption: Nonik Holdings, LLC, 74-76 N. Howell St. Mayor Sessions opened the public hearing for comment regarding the award of an Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption (OPRA) for Nonik Holdings, LLC, 74-76 N. Howell St. No public comment was made. No council comment was made.

OPRA
NONIK HOLDINGS
RES.
3192

Motion by Councilperson Flannery, supported by Councilperson Stack-Davis, to adopt Resolution #3192 granting the Obsolete Property Rehabilitation Exemption for 74-76 N. Howell St. for a period of 10 years. Roll call: Councilpersons Sharp – yes; Stockford – yes; Mayor Sessions – yes; Councilpersons Bail – yes; Stack-Davis – yes; Flannery – yes; Kinney – yes.

Approved 7-0.

Motion carried.

Unfinished Business

- A. Local Streets Maintenance:

Councilperson Stockford reported a Public Services Committee meeting had been held regarding the topic of streets. Mr. Stockford stated special assessments were of special interest and would continue to be discussed at upcoming Public Services Committee meetings.

- B. Code Enforcement. An update was given regarding 55 S. Broad St. Acting City Manager Terry reminded Council of the City's responsibility to protect the safety of neighboring dwellers.

Old Business

- A. Purchase of Police Vehicle. Mayor Sessions explained that, due to a clerical error discovered shortly after Council awarded the bid for purchase through the State Contract. Mayor Sessions stated controversy ensued because the City was not going to "buy local". The local Ford dealership, Stillwell Ford Lincoln, is willing to provide the same vehicle but at a price less than 2% over the state contract price. As a gesture of good will, Mayor Sessions and City Manager Terry recommended Council reconsider their decision to by the vehicle from the state purchasing contract, waive the bid proves and accept the quote from Stillwell Ford Lincoln of \$26,348.01.

PURCHASE OF
POLICE
VEHICLE

Motion by Councilperson Stockford, supported by Councilperson Sharp, to amend the original motion for purchase of the vehicle from the state contract.

All Ayes.

Motion carried.

Motion by Councilperson Flannery, supported by Councilperson Stockford to waive the bid process and award the purchase of the new police vehicle to Stillwell Ford Lincoln for the price of \$26,348.01. Roll call: Councilpersons Sharp – yes; Stockford – yes; Mayor Sessions – yes; Councilpersons Bail – yes; Stack-Davis – no; Flannery – yes; Kinney – yes.

Approved 6-1.

Motion carried.

- B. Airport Advisory Committee. City Manager Doug Terry presented Council with a resolution establishing the Airport Advisory Committee.

Motion by Councilperson Kinney, supported by Councilperson Stack-Davis, to adopt Resolution #3193 establishing the Airport Advisory Committee. Roll call: Councilpersons

RES. 3193
ESTABLISH
AIRPORT
ADVISORY
COMMITTEE

Stockford – yes; Mayor Sessions – yes; Councilpersons Bail – yes; Stack-Davis – yes
Flannery – yes; Kinney – yes; Sharp – yes.

Approved 7-0.

Motion carried.

New Business

A. Amendment to Airport Land Lease.

Motion by Councilperson Kinney, supported by Councilperson Flannery, to amend the Brian Fix Airport Land Lease to reflect the reduction of tillable acreage from 72-60 acres
Roll call – Councilperson Watkins – yes; Mayor Sessions – yes; Councilpersons Bail – yes;
Stack-Davis – yes; Flannery – yes; Kinney – yes; Sharp – yes; Stockford – yes.

AMENDMENT
TO AIRPORT
LAND LEASE
B. FIX

Approved 7-0.

Motion carried.

B. Teamsters Contract. A tentative agreement had been reached regarding the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 214 which expired June 30, 2014. Modifications included:

1. The Term of the contract will be two (2) years ending on June 30, 2016.
2. Full day (8 hours) Holiday for Good Friday
3. Vision A-80 Blue Cross Program for all employees and eligible family members, subject to twenty percent (20%) premium co-pay.

TEAMSTERS
CONTRACT

Motion by Councilperson Kinney, supported by Councilperson Flannery, to the Teamsters Contract and authorize Mayor and Deputy Clerk Signatures. Roll call: Councilpersons Bail – yes; Stack-Davis – yes; Flannery – yes; Kinney – yes; Sharp – yes; Stockford – yes; Mayor Sessions – yes.

Approved 7-0.

Motion carried.

C. Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Coordinator.

Motion by Councilperson Kinney, supported by Councilperson Flannery, to designate Acting City Manager Doug Terry Freedom of Information Act Coordinator. Roll call: Councilpersons Bail – yes; Stack-Davis – yes; Flannery – yes; Kinney – yes; Sharp – yes; Stockford – yes; Mayor Sessions – yes.

FOIA
COORDINATOR

Approved 7-0.

Motion carried.

D. Proposed Procedure Modification. Councilperson Flannery asked that the procedure for requesting agenda items be reviewed and modified. Mr. Flannery asked that this matter be referred to O & G for further review and recommendation.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

E. Set Public Hearing – GAMPCO IFT and Thorny Ash Development OPRA.

Motion by Councilperson Kinney, supported by Councilperson Stack-Davis, to set October 6, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. as the time and date to hold public hearing regarding a GAMPCO IFT request and Thorny Ash Development OPRA request.

All ayes.

Motion carried.

Miscellaneous

A. Appointments:

Reappointment: Deb Kamens to TIFA for a four year term ending July 2018
Appointments: Chris Bahash to TIFA for a four year term ending July 2018
Cindy Beszk to TIFA for a four year term ending July 2018
Keith Miller to TIFA for a four year term ending July 2018
Anne Fike to Housing Commission

APPOINTMENTS

General Public Comment

Ted Jansen addressed Council regarding the proposed change in Council procedure and commented on 55 S. Broad St.

Mary Wolfram, HPG, reminded everyone of the Awesome Autumn event coming to be held.

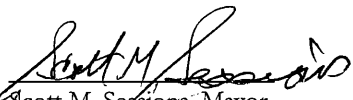
Adjournment

Motion by Councilperson Kinney, supported by Councilperson Stockford, to adjourn.

All ayes.

Meeting adjourned.

8:07 p.m.


Scott M. Sessions, Mayor


Michelle Loren, Deputy City Clerk