

**Harbor Springs City Council Minutes  
June 18, 2007**

Mayor Jardine called the thirteenth meeting of the Harbor Springs City Council to order at 7:00 pm, in the City Council Chambers at 160 Zoll Street, Harbor Springs, Michigan.

1. Roll Call and Verification of Quorum

Present: Jean Jardine, Jim Grogan, Mick Heinz, Laura Kors and Dennis Wiggins

Absent: None

Also Present: City Attorney James Ramer, City Manager Fred Geuder, City Police Chief Dan Branson and City Clerk Ron McRae

2. City Clerk / Comptroller / Treasurer

A. Approval of Minutes

Page 3, Item 8, fifth paragraph, second sentence reads, "Both stated that..." It should read, "Both Dierson and Garver, the Bank President, stated that..."

#7321 – Motion by Kors, seconded by Heinz, to approve the June 4, 2007 regular City Council meeting minutes as amended.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

B. Approval of Bills

I have examined the bills appearing on the vouchers below and recommend they be allowed and payment made from the following funds:

#7383 – A/P	No Council HS Exc	\$ 62,501.85 Local Sts Fund
#7384 – Payroll	P.P.E. 6/10/07	\$ 31,957.89 General Fund 381.30 Maj Sts Fund 168.42 Local Sts Fund 422.40 Historical Fund 11,679.64 Electric Fund 5,504.94 W & S Fund 7,682.98 Waterfront Fd 528.43 Equipment Fd
#7385 – A/P	Sales Tax May '07	\$ 3,809.30 General Fund 11,765.36 Electric Fund
#7386 – A/P	Delinq Settlement	\$ 45,382.67 Trust Fund
#7387 – A/P	Council 6/18/07	\$ 67,352.94 General Fund 2,129.78 Maj Sts Fund 989.82 Local Sts Fund 9.89 Police Res Fd 780.73 Historical Fund 70,327.71 Electric Fund 36,169.74 W & S Fund 4,485.72 W. T. Fund 6,328.86 Waterfront Fd 8,956.55 Equipment Fd

#7322 – Motion by Heinz, seconded by Grogan, to approve the bills in the amount of \$379,316.92.

Ayes – 5

Nays – 0

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that claims on voucher numbers #7383, #7384, #7385, #7386, and #7387 checked by the Finance Committee, in the amount of \$379,316.92 be allowed for payment, and the City Manager and the Mayor are hereby authorized to execute warrants to be drawn on the following funds:

General Fund	\$103,120.13
Major Streets Fund	2,511.08
Local Streets Fund	63,660.09
Police Reserve	9.89
Historical Fund	1,203.13
B. A. Construction Fund	.00
Electric Fund	93,772.71
Water & Sewer Fund	41,674.68
West Traverse Fund	4,485.72
Waterfront Fund	14,011.84
Equipment Fund	9,484.98
Trust Fund	45,382.67
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Total	\$ 379,316.92
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### 3. Citizen Comments

None

### 4. Vendor License Discussion

[Councilperson Grogan excused himself from the Council meeting at 7:04 p.m.]

City Manager Geuder stated that he received a vendor's license application from Cody MacCready on May 31<sup>st</sup>. He had given Council the letter from Will Grogan on May 21<sup>st</sup>. Council considered Will Grogan's proposal and approved issuing the vendor's license to Grogan that evening. Grogan did not plan to operate his vending operation in 2007, but wanted to reserve his spot for 2008. Grogan was given until June 15<sup>th</sup> to pay the license fee, and that he had paid the fee.

MacCready wondered how Council would approve the issuance of the vendor's license to someone that did not plan to operate his/her vending business in 2007. Mayor Jardine asked MacCready if he had anything further to add to Manager Geuder's comments. MacCready did not.

Councilperson Heinz stated that he voted to approve the Will Grogan request because there were no other applications in hand. Further, Councilperson Heinz considered Will Grogan's request a good business decision if he planned to return in 2008.

Manager Geuder stated that Will Grogan had done a good job in operating the hotdog stand in earlier years.

Mayor Jardine stated that Council had made its decision. The money for the license fee has been paid. No motion was made to reverse the decision.

[Councilperson Grogan returned to the Council meeting at 7:10 p.m.]

### 5. Fourth of July Calendar

City Manager Geuder stated that the Fourth of July schedule is complete for all of the requests received thus far. One correction was noted by Kathy Lott, the Chamber of

Commerce Executive Director. The Arts & Crafts Show is scheduled to begin at 9:00 a.m., not 10:00 a.m.

Council members discussed the Fourth of July Calendar with Manager Geuder and Kathy Lott. The proposed change from last year to relocate the staging area of the parade was discussed. Lott stated that she received no requests to change the staging area this year, even though it was discussed last year.

There were no objections to the Fourth of July Calendar as corrected.

#### 6. Presentation Concerning the Sewer Authority

City Manager Geuder stated that he and Councilperson Grogan have been attending the meetings of the Harbor Springs Area Sewage Disposal Authority (the "Authority") membership representatives concerning allowing Bear Creek Township to send sewage to the Harbor Springs Sewer Authority wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). Manager Geuder reviewed the sewage flows at the WWTP. He discussed the capacity each member has and reviewed the actual flows from each member. He also reviewed the estimated flows that would be coming from Bear Creek Township.

It was noted that the WWTP has a capacity of 1,330,000 gallons per day. Further, the current maximum use is 900,000 gallons per day or 68% of the WWTP's capacity. Bear Creek Township is looking to send approximately 200,000 gallons of sewage per day to the WWTP. This would increase the treatment flows to 1,100,000 gallons or 83% of the WWTP's capacity.

Manager Geuder stated that there are some conditions that the City made clear. The first was that Bear Creek could rent capacity, not own it. The second condition was that Bear Creek Township would have to agree to a "trigger" for having to build capacity at the WWTP.

The questions or concerns that need answers are:

#### Environmental and Political –

- a. If Bear Creek Township sends their sewage to the WWTP, does this encourage growth?
- b. If Bear Creek Township sends their sewage to the WWTP, how will it affect water quality?

- c. Is there enough property for an addition to the WWTP to allow future growth plus the additional flows from Bear Creek Township?

New Plant Addition -

- d. When will the WWTP addition have to be built? What is the “trigger” to require the addition?
- e. Who pays for the addition to the WWTP?

Current Plant -

- f. What is the effect of adding more gallons per day (gpd) to the WWTP operational processes?
- g. How does allowing Bear Creek Township sewage flows to the WWTP affect the City’s capacity?

Financial –

- h. What are the short term implications relative to:
  - a’. Debt?
  - b’. Operations?
- i. What are the long term implications:
  - a’. With Bear Creek Township?
  - b’. Without Bear Creek Township?

Councilperson Grogan stated that the meetings have been in the discussion phase only. Answers are still being worked on by the Engineer and being considered by Bear Creek Township.

Councilperson Grogan further stated that Bear Creek Township would be making a \$4,700,000 investment just to get their sewage to the WWTP if they decided to come to the Authority for sewage treatment. Councilperson Grogan believes that the Township would be committed.

Both Manager Geuder and Councilperson Grogan addressed other questions and concerns from Council members, and noted that they would be attending the next meeting.

## 7. Boards and Commissions

### A. Planning Commission (PC)

Mayor Jardine announced that the next regular PC Meeting is scheduled for 6:00 p.m., Thursday, June 21, 2007 in the City Council Chambers.

### B. Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA)

City Manager Geuder stated that due to the Zoning Administrator’s illness he did not have the minutes from the June 13, 2007 ZBA meeting. Mayor Jardine announced that the next ZBA meeting was scheduled for 5:30 p.m., Wednesday, July 11, 2007 in the City Council Chambers.

### C. Harbor Commission (HC)

Mayor Jardine announced that the next HC meeting was scheduled for 4:00 p.m., Wednesday, June 20, 2007 in the City Council Chambers.

### D. Next City Council Meeting

Mayor Jardine noted that the next regular City Council meeting is scheduled for 7:00 p.m., Monday, July 2, 2007 in the Harbor Springs City Council Chambers.

8. Old and New Business

A. Marine Patrol

Councilperson Wiggins asked how far the Marine Patrol operated. Manager Geuder stated that the City's jurisdiction went out approximately one-half mile. However, the Marine Patrol also responds to other areas if requested.

B. Upper Zorn Park War Memorial

Councilperson Kors asked for the status of the War Memorial plaques that hang by the fountain in Upper Zorn Park. She noted that they were not presently in. Manager Geuder stated that he believed the plaques were in the process of being shipped.

9. Adjournment

With no further business, Mayor Jardine adjourned the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

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Ronald B. McRae, City Clerk

Approved: July 2, 2007

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Jean Jardine, Mayor

Attachments