

Harbor Springs City Council Minutes
October 18, 2004

Mayor Dika called the twentieth meeting of the Harbor Springs City Council to order at 7:05 pm, in the City Council Chambers at 160 Zoll Street, Harbor Springs, Michigan.

1. Roll Call and Verification of Quorum

Present: Al Dika, Jean Jardine, Laura Kors and Pringle Pfeifer

Absent: None (There is one vacant City Council seat.)

Also Present: City Attorney James Ramer, City Police Chief Dan Branson and City Clerk/Comptroller/Treasurer Ron McRae

2. City Clerk / Comptroller / Treasurer

A. Approval of Minutes

The following changes and corrections were noted:

1. Page 3, Item 5., the heading reads, "Proposed State Trunkline Agreement". The heading should read, "Proposed State Trunk Line Agreement."
2. Page 5, Item 11, first paragraph, the fifth sentence reads, "The cost for Phase III is estimated to cost \$6,500." It should read, "The cost for Phase III is estimated to be \$6,500."
3. Page 7, Item 15C, the second sentence reads, "...Harbor Pointe Lighthouse Tour..." It should read, "...Harbor Point Lighthouse Tour..."

#6955 – Motion by Pfeifer, second by Jardine, to approve the October 4, 2004 regular City Council meeting minutes as amended.

Ayes – 4

Nays – 0

B. Approval of Bills

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

#7143-A/P	PPE 10/03/04	\$ 15,921.82 General Fund 409.09 Major Streets 317.86 Local Streets 10,803.25 Electric Fund 5,907.73 Water & Sewer 3,909.06 Waterfront Fund 572.56 Equipment Fund 428.06 Historical Fund
#7144 – State of Michigan	Sept '04 Sales & W/Hold	\$ 3,855.60 General Fund 10,987.43 Electric Fund

#7145 – Trust Payouts	Period 9/16/04 to 9/30/04	\$ 85,487.18 Trust Fund
#7146 - A/P	Council Bills, 10/18/04	\$ 34,670.46 General Fund 90.00 Major Streets 675.00 Local Streets 47,614.38 Electric Fund 33,923.77 Water & Sewer 1,874.25 Waterfront Fund 5,521.67 Equipment Fund 17,795.80 B.A. Const. Fund 36.00 Historical Fund 4,570.00 W.T.T. Fund

#6956 – Motion by Kors, second by Pfeifer, to approve the bills in the amount of \$285,370.97.

Ayes – 4
 Nays – 0

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that claims on voucher numbers 7143, 7144, 7145, and 7146 checked by the finance committee, in the amount of \$285,370.97 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	\$ 54,447.88
Major Streets Fund	499.09
Local Streets Fund	992.86
Electric Fund	69,405.06
Water & Sewer Fund	39,831.50
Waterfront Fund	5,783.31
Equipment Fund	6,094.23
B.A. Const. Fund	17,795.80
Historical Fund	464.06
Trust Fund	85,487.18
W.T.T. Water Fund	<u>4,570.00</u>
 Total	 \$ 285,370.97 =====

C. Approval of Election Inspectors

City Clerk McRae reviewed the list of election inspectors to work the November 2, 2004 General Election with Council. Six of the election inspectors will work half day shifts. The others will work the full day.

Clerk McRae also stated that a high school government student would be allowed to work the election if the individual is signed up by Tuesday, October 26, 2004. That is the day of the election inspector training.

#6957 – Motion by Pfeifer, second by Kors, to approve the list of election workers as presented by City Clerk McRae and the high school student, as long as he or she meets the residency and age requirements to be a poll worker.

The list of election inspectors is:

Eleanor (Muggs) Jardine
Carol Smelt
Judy Meyer
Bob Thoma
Donna Wood

Norine McBride
Sandy Festerling
Bill Owen
Terry Thoma
Ron McRae

Ayes – 4

Nays – 0

3. Citizen Comments

None.

4. Old City Hall Agreement and Lease with the Harbor Springs Area Historical Society

City Clerk McRae stated that the City Attorney Ramer would review the agreement and lease for the old City Hall with Council.

City Attorney Ramer stated that the lease of the old City Hall to the Harbor Springs Area Historical Society (HSAHS) would be approved only if the HSAHS met certain requirements by specific times as outlined in the agreement. Once the requirements were met, the lease would be signed.

Council reviewed the requirements with City Attorney Ramer. After the discussion, the following motion was offered:

#6958 – Motion by Jardine, second by Kors, that the Mayor and City Clerk are authorized, but not directed, to sign the “Agreement for the Lease of Historic City Hall” at such time as the agreement has been signed by the Harbor Springs Area Historical Society.

Ayes – Pfeifer, Dika, Jardine and Kors

Nays – None

5. Parking Regulations

City Clerk McRae stated that Police Chief Branson would review the two traffic control orders. Chief Branson stated there were two traffic control orders to consider. The first order was to control parking in the area of the High School that has on going construction. The second order was for parking on the west side of Harrison Street south of West Lake Street across from the dentist office.

During the reconstruction work of the 1915 section of the High School, students and construction workers were parking on both sides of East Bluff Drive. The parking was making for an unsafe situation.

Chief Branson stated that he issued a temporary traffic control order to prohibit parking on the north side of East Bluff Drive in front of the 1915 portion of the High School. He did allow parking on the south side of East Bluff Drive in this area.

Chief Branson stated that he also prohibited parking on the south side of East Bluff Drive from the east boundary of the school property to Arbor Street to allow the school busses to make the turn from Arbor Street onto East Bluff Drive. Parking is still allowed along the north side of East Bluff Drive in that area. Chief Branson stated that he spoke with some residents of East Bluff Drive and they wanted parking on the north side of the street.

Chief Branson stated that he also prohibited parking on the south side of East Bluff Drive from the west boundary of the High School west to Spring Street. Parking is still permitted on the north side of East Bluff Drive in that area.

Chief Branson reviewed with Council other parking concerns around the High School during the construction. He suggested the following parking restrictions:

- a. No parking on the east side of Spring Street north from East Bluff Drive to East Lake Street.
- b. No parking on the east side of Center Street from Pine Street north to East Lake Street.
- c. No parking on the east side of Elm Street from Pine Street north to East Lake Street.
- d. No parking on the north side of Pine Street from Spring Street east to Arbor Street.

It was City Manager Geuder's recommendation to Council to ratify this traffic control order. After the discussion the following motion was offered:

#6959 – Motion by Kors, second by Jardine, to approve Traffic Control Order No. 003-04, which regulates parking on East Bluff Drive, Spring Street, Center Street, Elm Street and Pine Street near the High School, as stated above.

Ayes – 4
Nays – 0

Chief Branson stated that on the southwest corner of West Lake Street and Harrison, parking from a commercial enterprise has overflowed into a residential area across the street. Chief Branson stated he tried to get the parties involved to work this matter out between them, but this does not appear possible. Chief Branson put up a no parking sign to prohibit parking from the south boundary of the first parcel north to East Lake Street on the west side of Harrison Street. It was City Manager Geuder's recommendation to Council to ratify this traffic control order.

#6960 – Motion by Jardine, second by Pfeifer, to approve Traffic Control Order No. 004-04, which prohibits parking on the west side of Harrison Street from the south boundary line of the first parcel north to East Lake Street.

Ayes – 4
Nays – 0

6. Boards and Commissions

A. Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA)

Council reviewed the minutes from the October 13, 2004 meeting. Mayor Dika announced the next regular ZBA meeting is scheduled for 5:30 pm, Wednesday, November 10, 2004. The meeting will be held in the Council Chambers.

B. Planning Commission (PC)

Mayor Dika announced the next PC meeting is scheduled for 6:30 pm, Thursday, November 18, 2004. The meeting will be held in the Council Chambers.

C. Harbor Commission (HC)

Council reviewed the minutes from the October 13, 2004 meeting. Mayor Dika announced the next HC meeting is scheduled for 4:00 pm, Wednesday, November 10, 2004. The meeting will be held in the Council Chambers.

D. Next City Council Meeting

The next City Council meeting is scheduled for 7:00 pm, Monday, November 1, 2004. The meeting will be held in the Council Chambers at 160 Zoll Street, Harbor Springs, MI 49740.

7. Old and New Business

A. Farmers' Market

Councilperson Pfeifer stated that the vendors from the Farmers' Market would like to keep the port-a-john for a while longer. Superintendent Ward stated that he would not remove the port-a-john until it started freezing at night.

B. Fly Friendly Brochure

Councilperson Kors stated that she liked the "Fly Friendly" brochure put out by the Harbor Springs Airport Authority. She complimented the Airport Authority on the pictures and graphics in the brochure and its friendly message.

C. Meeting Night Change for the ZBA

Mayor Dika asked if the ZBA meetings could be changed. City Clerk McRae stated that Council reviews the meeting nights of all of the Boards and Commissions each year. If there is a desire or need to change a Board or Commission meeting night or time, it would be best to review the request with the City Manager. Manager Geuder would then review the times that the City Council Chambers are available, discuss the proposed change with the Board or Commission members involved and take the issue back to Council.

8. Adjournment

With no further business, Mayor Dika adjourned the meeting at 7:55 pm.

Approved: November 1, 2004

Ronald B. McRae, City Clerk

Alan J. Dika, Mayor

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Attachments