

**Harbor Springs City Council Minutes
December 11, 2006**

Mayor Jardine called the third meeting, a special 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, Michael Heinz and Dennis Wiggins

Absent: Laura Kors

Also Present: City Manager Fred Geuder, City Police Chief Dan Branson, City Assessor/Zoning Administrator C. Tim Grimm, Electric Superintendent Dennis Ory, DPW Superintendent Rick Ward, Lineman Mark Guisinger and City Clerk Ron McRae

2. 2007 Proposed Budget Work Session

Mayor Jardine stated that the purpose of this evenings' special meeting is to review the 2007 Proposed Budget and Financial Plan. She then asked City Manager Geuder to proceed with the discussion of the proposed budget.

Manager Geuder reviewed the proposed capital and extraordinary expenditures from the proposed budget. After the discussion of the proposed budget by Manager Geuder, Mayor Jardine gave each department head the opportunity to speak.

Manager Geuder and the Department Heads addressed Council members' concerns and questions. When questioned, Manager Geuder did address concerns about rising health care insurance premium costs. The Department Heads reviewed how and what they were doing to be as efficient as possible and how they are continuing to look for more efficient ways or methods of operating their departments.

3. Proposed Special Meeting with Bear Creek Township

City Manager Geuder stated that he was asked if the City Council of Harbor Springs would meet with the other members (Little Traverse Township, Littlefield Township and the Village of Alanson) of the Harbor Springs Area Sewage Disposal Authority (HSASDA) and Bear Creek Township to discuss the possibility of Bear Creek Township joining the HSASDA. The meeting would be a special meeting, to be held on December 19, 2006, at the Little Traverse Township Hall.

Council discussed this issue. By consensus, it was agreed and approved to have the Special Meeting with the other municipal members of the HSASDA and Bear Creek Township.

4. Adjournment

With no further business, Mayor Jardine adjourned the meeting at 8:36 pm.

Approved: December 18, 2006.

Ronald B. McRae, City Clerk

Jean Jardine, Mayor