

**CITY OF ROOSEVELT PARK  
CITY COUNCIL  
MEETING MINUTES**

February 16, 2010

Mayor Lenartowicz called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

2010-019     **ROLL CALL**

**Present:** Mayor Jeff Lenartowicz, Mayor Pro Tem Rod Buikema, Council Members Al Lowe, David Martin, Laura Fitzpatrick, Eric Grimm, and Thomas Hasper

**Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** City Manager David Boehm, Police Chief Tim Regan, Assistant to the City Manager Anthony Chandler, Building and Zoning Administrator Tim Villanueva and Treasurer/Clerk Tammera Harmsen

2010-020     **INVOCATION**

Council Member Hasper provided the invocation.

2010-021     **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Ms. Flo Shriver – 1336 W. Summit requested the amount paid to the City Attorney for legal fees. She also commented on a breakfast for Black History month to be held on February 19<sup>th</sup>.

2010-022     **CONSENT AGENDA**

Council Member Lowe moved to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was supported by Mayor Pro Tem Buikema and carried unanimously.

2010-023     **AUTHORIZATION: RPYA TEMPORARY BANNERS/SIGNS**

RPYA has requested that the City Council allow the temporary placement of banners/signs on the outfield fences of the Delmar Field ball fields. The banner/signs will recognize the sponsors of RPYA baseball and for the 2010 season will serve as the primary method of fund-raising by RPYA. Sponsor fees will cover the cost of all league activities and new uniforms. The banners/ signs will be in place during the baseball season and are to be removed by August 31st (or they will be removed by City DPW).

Mayor Pro Tem Buikema moved to approve the request from RPYA for temporary placement of banner/signs at Delmar Fields promoting youth baseball and RPYA sponsors. All banners/signs are to be removed at the end of the baseball season and no later than August 31, 2010.. The motion was supported by Council Member Lowe and carried unanimously.

2010-024      **AUTHORIZATION: POST ROAD NEIGHBORHOOD –  
GROUNDWATER CONTROL PROJECT GRANT**

The Michigan Community Development Block Grant Program for Infrastructure Capacity Enhancement Projects, has initiated a “Winter 2010 funding cycle”. Grant applications must be submitted by February 22, 2010. Authorization is requested to submit a grant in the amount of \$110,300 to construct a vertical well/drain to capture groundwater in the Post Road area and direct it into a lower aquifer. A prototype well was constructed on Maple Grove Road near Sherwood, in 2008 and proved to be very successful.

Council Member Fitzpatrick moved to authorize submittal of an ICE Grant application for a Groundwater Control Project for the Post Road neighborhood and by resolution designate the City Manager as the “Authorized Local Government Official” for purposes of signing all applications. The motion was supported by Mayor Pro Tem Buikema and carried unanimously.

2010-025      **BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS**

In accordance with City Charter, the Mayor appoints members to citizen boards and commissions, with the consent of the Council.

Membership on a municipal **Planning Commission** is directed by statute and the required adoption of Rules of Procedure. For Roosevelt Park, membership on the Planning Commission has traditionally included the Mayor and one member of the City Council. It is recommended that Dave Martin fill the “Council” vacancy on the Planning Commission for a term coinciding with his term on the City Council.

The **Downtown Development Authority** has a current vacancy after John Pridnia’s business moved out of the City. It is recommended that James Wierengo of 1525 Garrison and an employee at Russ’s Restaurant be appointed to the DDA for the remainder of John Pridnia’s term ending December 2011.

Council Member Lowe moved to appoint Dave Martin to the Planning Commission for a term coinciding with his term on the City Council and appoint James Wierengo to the Downtown Development Authority for a term expiring December 2011. The motion was supported by Mayor Pro Tem Buikema and carried unanimously.

A proclamation was presented thanking those volunteering for their services on the following the Boards and Commissions:

Judy Van Westen - Planning Commission  
John Pridnia - Downtown Development Authority  
Barbara Lowry - Zoning Board of Appeals  
James Riker - Planning Commission  
James Bird - Zoning Board of Appeals

Council Member Grimm moved to accept the proclamation of appreciate to those giving their time for this community. The motion was supported by Council Member Hasper.

Roll Call: 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Absent

2010-026

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Mayor Lenartowicz thanked Assistant to the City Manager Chandler for his time dedicated to the Sustainability Coalition.

Council Member Lowe stated the streetlights on Broadway are still not working correctly.

2010-027

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

City Manager Boehm stated the DDA is currently discussing projects for 2010, including the Broadway storm sewer and construction of sidewalks on Norton between Maple Grove and Davis.

City Attorney Stapleton stated he will provide Council with an opinion letter regarding the status of pending litigation at the next Council meeting.

Building and Zoning Administrator Villanueva stated rental inspections are being completed. Also he stated The Olive Tree and Handsome Henry's are moving forward towards completion.

Chief Regan stated warrants for the four individuals who broke into the Westwood Reform Church were to be signed tomorrow.

Council Member Hasper asked Chief Regan about the recent armed robbery and car recovery.

Treasurer/Clerk Harmsen updated Council on the progress of Roosevelt Park Day, Music in the Park dates for the summer, Art in the Park for kids, dog tag sales and tax collections totals to date.

2010-028

**ADJOURNMENT**

Council Member Lowe moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. The motion was supported by Mayor Lenartowicz and carried unanimously.

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Treasurer/Clerk Tammera Harmsen