

**CITY OF ROOSEVELT PARK
CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
October 5, 2009**

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

2009-173 **ROLL CALL**

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

Absent: None

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

2009-174 **INVOCATION**

Council Member Fitzpatrick provided the invocation.

2009-175 **CONSENT AGENDA**

Mayor Pro Tem Buikema moved to approve the Consent Agenda with item 8 (d) – Mona Shores Band Can Drive added. The motion was supported by Council Member Lowe and carried unanimously.

2009-176 **PROPERTY DISPOSAL AUTHORIZATION – USED DPW EQUIPMENT**

From time to time the DPW staff has approached City Council for authorization to sell or otherwise dispose of outdated equipment. Typically this has been for such items as older ½ ton pickups and the like. One of the challenges associated with moving into the new Public Works Facility is efficient space management, which is a concept that is not always done very well in a municipal setting. We, like other communities have a number of items of equipment that have value and have utility, but are not currently used here in Roosevelt Park and/or no longer have a reasonable hope of being used in our community. Staff has begun to assemble a listing of these items and is requesting Council authorization to advertise and dispose of the attached list of equipment “in the best interests of the City” and for the best price possible.

Mayor Pro Tem Buikema moved to authorize City staff to advertise and dispose of certain DPW property in the best interest of the City and for the best price possible. The motion was supported by Council Member Martin and carried unanimously.

2009-177 RESOLUTION – CHANGE MERS BENEFITS

The City's Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Teamster's Local 406 (DPW) which was approved by Council early in 2006, states "Beginning December 1, 2008 the City shall maintain the Michigan Employees Retirement System Plan B-4 **for all employees hired prior to December 1, 2005**. The group currently has the MERS B-3 retirement plan. To implement the agreed-upon MERS benefit change, Council first needed to authorize a Request For Supplemental Valuation. That information has been assembled and has been provided to Council. The next step in this process is for Council to adopt the standard MERS Resolution For Changing MERS Benefits. Changing the retirement benefits for these employees will match the MERS plans presently in place for the POLC and non-union groups. Only the three active employees in our DPW will be affected by this change.

Mayor Pro Tem Buikema moved to authorize the resolution changing the Teamster's Local 406 (DPW) retirement benefit from B-3 to B-4 per the union contract. The motion was supported by Council Member Van Westen and carried.

2009-178 RESOLUTION – BUDGET AMENDMENTS

From time to time during each fiscal year the City staff identifies budget amendments that are necessary to ensure compliance with P.A. 621. This Act requires that municipalities shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated. During the course of the fiscal year, several changes to the City's annual budget will typically occur. Some due to increases in revenue beyond that anticipated and others being unexpected increases in expenses. None on the attached listing of proposed budget amendments involve an expenditure that will cause the 2009 Budget, as adopted, to be out of balance.

Council Member Van Westen moved to adopt the resolution amending the Fiscal Year 2009 Budget. The motion was supported by Council Member Lowe and carried unanimously.

2009-179 MONA SHORES BAND PARENTS ASSOCIATION – CAN DRIVE/CORNER PLAY COLLECTION

The Mona Shores Band Parents Association have requested the City Council authorize the Mona Shores Band to conduct a pop can drive from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm on October 10, 2009. Also requested is authorization to have small groups of band members at 3 or 4 intersections collecting donations on November 7, 2009 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. All money raised will go towards the band traveling to Disney World.

Council Member Lowe moved to authorize the Mona Shores Band to have the can drive on October 10, 2009 from 9:30 am to 2:00 pm and the intersection

collection on November 7, 2009 from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. The motion was supported by Mayor Pro Tem Buikema and carried unanimously.

2009-180 **COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Mayor Lenartowicz thanked Assistant to the City Manager Chandler for the good job he did running the Planning Commission Work Session.

Mayor Lenartowicz introduced the new County Administrator Bonnie Hammersley to the City Council.

2009-181 **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

Building and Zoning Administrator Villanueva stated Shawbox Credit Union would be moving forward to redevelop the former Good Grains building. Handsome Henry's has not turned in correct plans for approval. He also stated Wendy's will be renovating their existing building to make it more energy efficient.

Chief Regan stated Law Enforcement Products will be in October 14 at 3:00 pm to demonstrate the Watch Guard Camera Systems.

Treasurer/Clerk Harmsen stated penalties were added to late water bills. There are 21 pages of current outstanding bills.

2009-182 **ADJOURNMENT**

Council Member Lowe moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. The motion was supported by Mayor Lenartowicz and carried unanimously.

Treasurer/Clerk Tammera Harmsen