

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

**January 5, 2009**

A work session of the City Council was held on January 5, 2009 at 6:15 p.m. in the City Council Chambers located at 900 Oak Ridge Road.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Jeff Lenartowicz, Mayor Pro Tem Rod Buikema, Al Lowe, Eric Grimm, David Martin, Laura Fitzpatrick, and Judy Van Westen

**ABSENT:** None

**STAFF:** City Manager Dave Boehm, DPW Superintendent Matt Farrar, Building and Zoning Administrator Tim Villanueva and Treasurer/Clerk Tammera Harmsen

**2009 MUSKEGON COUNTY GYPSY MOTH PROGRAM**

City Manager Boehm indicated that the results of the field work for potential spray areas for gypsy moths showed an area in the far western quarter of the City and the lower one-third of the City bordering areas of Norton Shores would benefit from aerial spraying. Bids will be taken in January with information on potential costs to follow thereafter.

**3116-3128 ROOSEVELT ROAD**

Mayor Pro Tem Buikema stated there are on-going problems between the residents at 3116-3128 Roosevelt. The homeowner at 3116 Roosevelt has a partial fence in the middle of the backyard with different items attached. The homeowner states this is art. Also the homeowner at 3116 Roosevelt has had signs hanging in her windows. The homeowner at 3128 Roosevelt had an extension of his fence which did not comply with the City's Zoning Ordinance and was told by the Zoning Board of Appeals to remove it. The homeowner did remove the fence extension and then placed it inside his fence to block the view of the other resident. Mayor Pro Tem Buikema asked if there is anything the city can do to have the fencing and signage at 3116 Roosevelt removed. City Manager Boehm explained that both homeowners have been notified that the issues between them are a civil matter. Council Member Grimm stated the homeowners can revisit the Zoning Board of Appeals to get a clearer interpretation of the ordinance as written.

**CITY MANAGER EVALUATION**

Mayor Lenartowicz asked Council Members to return the City Manager evaluations by January 12, 2009 so he would have time to compile the information. Mayor Lenartowicz stated he would like to have the City Managers review at the next meeting.

**COUNCIL PROCEDURES**

Mayor Lenartowicz proposed that the 5<sup>th</sup> Monday in March will be a work session to review Council Rules of Procedure, Council committees and the chain of command. He also stated he is in constant contact with the City Manager who keeps him up to date.

**LAND BANK AUTHORITY**

Council Member Grimm provided a brief overview to the County's Land Bank program. He explained the purpose of the land bank legislation and how the project is run under the supervision of the County Treasurer. Council Member Grimm stated the property obtained through the Land Bank is repaired or refurbished and placed on the market for sale. Once the property is sold half the capture of the taxes on the property goes back to land bank authority for 10 years.