

MINUTES OF THE STUDY SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BRIGHTON
HELD ON OCTOBER 20, 2016 AT THE BRIGHTON CITY HALL
200 N. 1ST STREET, BRIGHTON, MICHIGAN

STUDY SESSION

The Council conducted a Study Session at 6:30 p.m.

Present were Mayor Muzzin, Mayor Pro-Tem Pipoly, Councilmembers Bohn, Pettengill, Gardner, Emaus, and Tobbe staff: City Manager Geinzer, Management Assistant Reed, Utilities Director Krugh, DPW Director Blackmar, Assistant DPW Director Thomas, Chief Wightman, Management Assistant Reed, Clerk Stewart, Deputy Clerk Haataja, Finance Director Golmoka, Attorney Burns, and an audience of two.

Tom Tolen from WHMI from the media was also present.

DISCUSSION ON WINTER MAINTENANCE AND EXPERIENCE

Manager Geinzer discussed the level of service we currently provide for winter snow removal. DPW Director Blackmar did a comparison between Brighton, Alma, Plymouth, and Howell. Alma and Plymouth subscribe to a black streets method during regular hours but after hours only clean main drags and postpone side streets and sidewalks. Less after hours cleaning would entail less overtime cost. The council questioned staff about the details of the removal, white vs. black streets, and the positives and negatives of a potential change.

The discussion changed to sidewalks and the cost to contract the cleaning, making businesses maintain their own frontage, and possibly closing the tridge during heavy snows.

Manager Geinzer said he would work with staff to attain more data, consider council feedback, and return to Council for additional discussion.

150 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

Manager Geinzer suggested the celebration planning for the 150th Anniversary be assigned to the PSD which could create a subcommittee. The Council discussed ideas that included designing a logo and working with the Historical Society and other local groups.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Pipoly and seconded by Pettengill to adjourn the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

Motion passed 7-0.

Pamela Stewart, City Clerk

James Muzzin, Mayor