

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF BRIGHTON
HELD ON DECEMBER 4, 2014 AT THE BRIGHTON CITY HALL
200 N. 1ST STREET, BRIGHTON, MICHIGAN

BLUE SKY SESSION

The Council conducted an Early Blue Sky Session at 7:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Muzzin, Mayor Pro-Tem Pipoly, Councilmembers Bohn, Bandkau, Willis, Cooper and Tobbe. The Council reviewed the agenda items.

REGULAR SESSION

Mayor Muzzin called the regular meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the roll was called. Present were Mayor Muzzin, Mayor Pro-Tem Pipoly, Councilmembers Willis, Bandkau, Cooper, Tobbe and Bohn. Also in attendance was Attorney Paul Burns, Staff members Dana Foster, Jennifer Burke, Patty Thomas, Kelly Hanna, Tom Wightman, Amy Cyphert and an audience of 2. Press and media included Tom Tolen from WHMI.

AGENDA APPROVAL

It was moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Pipoly, seconded by Tobbe to approve the agenda as written. Motion passed 7-0.

MINUTE APPROVAL

It was moved by Councilmember Bohn, seconded by Bandkau to approve the Regular Meeting minutes of November 20, 2014 as presented. Motion passed 7-0.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Muzzin opened the Call to the Public at 7:35 p.m. The following comment was heard:

Nancy Durance, Springhill, stated no work has been done on the site and that the inspector came out to inspect the wall.

Hearing no further comment, the Call to the Public was closed at 7:37 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA

It was moved by Councilmember Pipoly, seconded by Cooper to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed 7-0. The following items were approved:

1. Approval of a MDOT Category A Grant Resolution #14-22 for a Brighton Interiors Drive Improvement Project.
2. Approval of a Resolution #14-23 of Support for the SELCRA Board's millage related ballot proposal planning process.

3. Approval of the annual Budget Preparation & Review Process Calendar including the scheduling of dates for City Council Budget Review Worksessions

RECEIVE REPORT FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY REGARDING PROCESS/TIMELINE FOR FILLING A FUTURE CITY COUNCIL VACANCY

City Attorney, Paul Burns related the timeline for filling a City Council vacancy. He stated a new Councilmember shall be appointed 60 days from the last meeting of the former member.

It was moved by Councilmember Tobbe seconded by Bandkau to accept Councilmember Coopers resignation which is effective January 1, 2015 and the City would have 60 days from that date to fill the vacancy. Motion passed 7-0.

Applications will be seen at the January 15th meeting, a notice posted now and interviews will be held at the first meeting in February, and if a decision cannot be made, it will be discussed at second meeting in February.

REVIEW OF POSSIBLE APPROVAL OF THE CITY MANAGER'S EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT

It was moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Pipoly, seconded by Cooper to release the attorney client privileged opinion letter regarding Manager Foster's employment agreement.

City Manager, Dana Foster recommended that the City Council request a pay and benefits study for all Administrative Non-Union positions including the City Manager, as it has been almost 3 years since the last professional study conducted by the MML.

It was moved by Councilmember Cooper, seconded by Bandkau to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute the contract as presented, and that pay shall be retroactive to July 2014. Motion passed 7-0.

CITY CUSTOMER INFORMATION

Assistant DPW Director, Patty Thomas gave a leaf pickup update.

City Manager, Dana Foster gave an update on an MML Alert regarding Revenue Sharing.

It was moved by Councilmember Bandkau, seconded by Bohn to cancel the January 1, 2015 Council Meeting. Motion passed 7-0.

Mayor Pro-Tem Pipoly gave a PSD update.

Councilmember Bohn discussed the status of Springhill, stating the letter of credit is set to expire.

City Attorney, Paul Burns stated Engineer Gary Markstrom advised him that repairs have been made, he is preparing a Consent Judgment and they are addressing how to make the roads public.

Mayor Muzzin and Council send condolences to Diana Lowe for the passing of her mother.

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CALL TO THE PUBLIC

Mayor Muzzin gave a Call to the Public at 8:17 p.m. The following comments were heard:

Nancy Durance, 4616 Spring Mountain Drive, discussed the area including lot 11, 10 & 9 in Springhill stating that nothing has been done on-site and there are issues with the subdivision relative to homeowners association.

Hearing no further comment, Mayor Muzzin closed Call to the Public at 8:21 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Councilmember Tobbe, seconded by Cooper to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 p.m. Motion passed 7-0.

Jennifer Burke, Deputy City Clerk

Jim Muzzin, Mayor