

City of Grand Blanc City Council
Minutes of November 14, 2018

Present: Jamie Weasel Lisa Blondell Mayor Soderstrom
Chris Douglas Paula Nas

Absent: Julie Nielsen John Creasey

Staff: Wendy Jean-Buhrer, Mary Hopkins, Dianne Waterworth, Marcus Rossi, Matt Wurtz,
Chief Burdette

Guests: James Trembley, Doug Deeter

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Soderstrom at 7:00 P.M.

1. Pledge of Allegiance.
2. Approval of Minutes. Motion by Blondell supported by Douglas to approve the minutes contained in the agenda packet of November 14, 2018. Motion carried.
3. Approval of Bills. Motion by Blondell supported by Douglas to approve bills in amount of \$632,467.17. Motion carried.
4. Public Comment. James Trembley spoke regarding the unsolicited newspaper drops in residents' driveways, and his frustration on not being able to get the Paper to stop the delivery.
5. Communication:
 - a) CROP Hunger Walk – Received and filed.
 - b) MML New Officials Training Course – Received and filed.
 - c) McFarlen Library Board Appointment – Received and filed.
 - d) Notice of Public Hearing for Consumers Energy Company – Received and filed.
6. New Business.
 - a) Rehmann Robson Audit Presentation
Doug Deeter presented the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the year ending May 31, 2018.
 - b) Genesee County Hazard Mitigation Plan Update – Received and filed.
 - c) Resolution 18-1101 Genesee County Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Plan Opt-In
Motion by Blondell supported by Douglas to approve Resolution 18-1101 Genesee County Park, Recreation, Open Space and Greenway Plan Opt-In Plan. Motion carried.
 - d) Public Hearing of the 2019-2021 Community Development Block Grant program application
Regular City Council Meeting closed at 7:20.
Public Hearing opened at 7:20.
City Manager Jean-Buhrer estimated the amount of CDBG funding to be \$45,086, and presented the list of eligible projects:
 1. Senior Center Kitchen drainage issue - \$6,500 – 14.42%
 2. Physicians Park Bathroom retrofit - \$29,566 – 65.58%
 3. Senior Center Operation - \$9,020 – 20%There was no Public comment as to current eligible projects and past projects.
Public Hearing closed at 7:24.
Regular City Council Meeting opened at 7:24.

Motion by Blondell supported by Douglas to approve the Community Development Block Grant eligible projects, amounts and percentages as follows: Senior Center kitchen drainage issue - \$6,500 – 14.42%, Physicians Park Bathroom retrofit - \$29,566 – 65.58% and Senior Center Operation - \$9,020 – 20%. Motion carried.

e) Committee Reports.

Finance.

Motion by Douglas supported by Weasel to accept the recommendation from Finance and approve the change order form Boesch Builders for Salt Barn Project # 836220 additional \$4,800. Motion carried.

Motion by Douglas supported by Weasel to accept the recommendation from Finance and approve the Boesch Builders invoice in the amount of \$101,250.00 for salt barn project # 836220. Motion carried.

Motion by Douglas supported by Weasel to accept the recommendation from Finance and approve the change order from Throop, Inc for Brainard Street and Walker Street storm sewer improvements project decrease in the amount of \$3,171.50. Motion carried.

Motion by Douglas supported by Weasel to accept the recommendation from Finance and approve the Throop Inc. invoice in the amount of \$26,320.50 for Brainard St. and Walker St. storm sewer improvements project. Motion carried.

Motion by Douglas supported by Weasel to accept the recommendation from Finance and approve the payment no. 1 to Joe Raica Excavating in the amount of \$182,169.65 for the Terrace Drive and Grant St. watermain replacement project. Motion carried.

Motion by Douglas supported by Weasel to accept the recommendation from Finance and approve the amended L-4029 for the 2018 Winter Tax rate request to include additional Fire mills voted of .5034. Motion carried.

Fire Commission

Councilman Weasel stated that the Fire millage passed by 68%, and the passage of the millage will set us on a good path for the next decade.

7. Other Business

- a. Sgt. Rossi – received and filed.
- b. DPW Director – nothing.
- c. Building Inspector's Report – received and filed.
- d. Fire Chief Burdette – received and filed. Chief Burdette thanked the voters for the passage of the millage. He also stated that he did not have any news on the Fire Study.
- e. City Attorney Griffin. – presented the discussion of Proposal 1 that was passed during the November 6, 2018 election. City Attorney Griffin explained that the City has the ability to do nothing and Opt-In to the program to allow Marijuana business, or the City can Opt-Out and not allow these types of businesses.

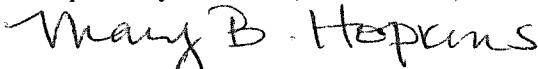
Motion by Douglas supported by Nas to Opt-Out of the program for the City of Grand Blanc. Roll Call vote; Douglas, yes; Nas, yes; Blondell, no; Weasel, yes. Motion failed.

- f. City Clerk – gave an update on voter turnout for the November 6, 2018 election.
- g. Finance Director/Treasurer. – nothing to report.

- h. City Manager's Report
1. **Pitch Competition for Chalet Rental.** City Manager Jean-Buhrer announced that Sugar Mermaid won the pitch competition for the free chalet rental.
 2. **Festival of Lights.** Will be held on December 7, 2018.
 3. **Grand Blanc Township request for Contribution Increase for the Library.** City Manager Jean-Buhrer explained that Grand Blanc Township requested that the City increase our contribution to \$4,000, and the Township would increase their contribution to \$6,000. This would be a General Fund use, and she stated that we would work this into the budget.
 4. **DPW Thank You.** City Manager Jean-Buhrer received a Thank You note from a resident thanking Matt Wurtz and Brian Kelley on their help resolving a home installation issue.
 5. **City Clerk Thank You.** City Manager Jean-Buhrer thanked City Clerk Hopkins for the work on the November 6, 2018 election.
- i. Members of Council
- Councilman Douglas– Thanked the City Clerk for her work on the election, and also thanked the City residents on passing the Fire Millage. Councilman Douglas inquired as to what could be done to stop the delivery of the unsolicited newspapers.
- Councilman Weasel- Mentioned the passing of the Fire Millage, and also spoke about the switching of the pickup zones for the leaf pickup, and thought that it seemed to work.
- j. Mayor Soderstrom
- Mayor Soderstrom stated that the leaf pickup went very smoothly in Indian Hill. The Mayor stated that she is very excited about the upcoming Festival of Lights event. She also expressed her gratitude to the voters for the passing of the Fire Millage.

The meeting adjourned at 7:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Mary B. Hopkins
City Clerk