

City of Utica
Regular Council Meeting
June 9, 2009

The City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Noonan at 6:32 p.m.

Members present: Figurski, Kraft, Sikora, Baker, Barthelmeh, Osladil, Noonan
Absent: None

Executive Session

Motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Figurski, to recess to executive session to discuss contract, legal and personnel issues. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**. Meeting recessed at 6:33 p.m.

Mayor Noonan reconvened the meeting at 7:46 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance.

Public Hearing: 7:45 p.m. Temporary Use for Trinity Lutheran

Motion by Figurski, seconded by Kraft, to open the public hearing. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**. Public hearing opened at 7:47 p.m.

Loraine Thompson, representing Trinity Lutheran Family Fun Festival, was present to request up to 4 tents and 2 3'x8' double sided signs for the event to be held on August 23, 2009. They are also requesting temporary closing of Summers and Deshon from Hall Road to end of the church property. Tents will go up on 8/22 and come down on 8/24.

As there were no comments from the public, motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Figurski, to close the public hearing. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**. Public hearing closed at 7:51 p.m.

Motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Kraft, to allow the temporary structures as requested (1-30'x40' tent and 3- 20'x40' tents) and the closure of the streets, closures to be manned to allow for emergency personnel. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**. Council members Barthelmeh, Kraft and Osladil are members of Trinity Lutheran.

Public Hearing 7:45 p.m. Temporary Uses for 7759 Auburn

Motion by Figurski, seconded by Kraft, to open the public hearing. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**. Public hearing opened at 7:53 p.m.

Kim Marie, Mirror Dog Productions, was present to request permission for a street event to be held on July 12, event would require several small size tents and closure of Auburn Road from Cass to Utica Road. Event would also be a fundraising event for United Way. Ms. Marie has been working with all departments for this event.

As there were no comments from the public, motion by Sikora, seconded by Kraft, to close the public hearing. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**. Public hearing closed at 7:55 p.m.

Motion by Sikora, seconded by Figurski, to approve the event of July 12, 2009 with the temporary structures and road closure as requested. Voting by roll, all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Minutes of 5/12/09

Motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Figurski, to approve the minutes of 5/12/09 as presented with one correction. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Unfinished Business

Film Office

City Attorney, as spokesman for the Ad Hoc Committee, reported that the draft ordinance will be available by the end of the week.

Consent Business

None

Correspondence

Motion by Figurski, seconded by Kraft, to receive and file correspondence from Foundation for Educational Excellence and Anthony Morocco. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

New Business

Department Reports

Mayor Noonan

Grant Writer Contract

Motion by Sikora, seconded by Figurski, to extend the contract with Linda Davis Kirksey for one year, cost of \$1300 per month. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

MDOT Response

Mayor Noonan presented the MDOT response letter regarding the way finding signs. No action taken.

National Treasure Day

Mayor reminded all of the National Treasure Day on Tuesday, 6/16/09 at 9:30 a.m. for all residents over 75 years of age. A light breakfast will be served in the Council Chambers.

Public Hearing 8:00 p.m. Budget 2009-2010

Motion by Figurski, seconded by Sikora, to open the public hearing. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**. Public hearing opened at 8:06 p.m.

Treasurer Phil Paternoster read through the various budget documents for all to hear.

The mills for the budget proposed are:

General Fund	17.0870
Public Safety	1.7085
Library	.8542
95 Debt Street Fund	.9910

2000 Street Debt 1.2428

Total Mills Proposed 21.8835

As there were no comments from the public, motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Sikora, to adopt the annual budgets for 2009-2010 as presented. Voting by roll, all ayes, Motion **CARRIED**.

Motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Sikora, to adopt the Appropriation Ordinance as presented. Voting by roll, all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Council Reports

Councilman Osladil thanked all who were involved with the Michigan Week activities.

Assessing- Nancy Strehl, Assessor

No report.

Building- Ed Durbin

No report.

DPW- Bill Lang, Superintendent

No report. Superintendent Lang was excused from the meeting.

Fire- Kevin Wilseck, Chief

Purchase of Used Air Packs

Motion by Osladil, seconded by Figurski, to approve the purchase cylinders for breathing air and a rescue pack, cost not to exceed \$7000, funding in 101-336-959.000. voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Purchase New Radio for New Engine

Motion by Sikora, seconded by Kraft, to approve the purchase a 800 MHz truck mounted radio for the new pumper, cost not to exceed \$1822, funding in 101-336-981.000. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Purchase of Knox Boxes

Motion by Osladil, seconded by Figurski, to approve the purchase of 6 Knox boxes for the various vehicles, cost not exceed \$2468, funding in 101-336-981.000. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Co-Op membership

Chief Wilseck informed Council of the participation in the NCEMSC/Bound Tree medical supply pricing agreement which will save the City both on costs and shipping. No action required.

Police- Mike Reaves, Chief

Update on Car Purchase

Chief Reaves updated Council on the status of the car purchases previously approved. No action required.

Treasurer- Philip Paternoster

Budget Amendments

Motion by Sikora, seconded by Osladil, to approve the budget amendments for 2009 Budget Year, resulting in the following:

General Fund Balance (decrease)	\$287,251
Major Street Fund (decrease)	23,000
Liquor law enforcement fund (decrease)	6,730
Drug law Enforcement Fund (decrease)	3,400
Capital Project Fund (decrease)	14,070.

Voting by roll, all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Water Rates

Treasurer informed Council that effective July 1, the water rates for the City will increase by approximately \$4 per month on average; the increase is due to repeated increases by the City of Detroit. No action required.

Administration- Cathy McGrail, City Clerk

Purchase Billing Software

Motion by Figurski, seconded by Barthelmeh, to approve the purchase of billing software from BCS, cost not to exceed \$2000, payable from equipment fund. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Library- Marsha Doege, Director

Library Director Marsha Doege was excused from the meeting but had indicated that the summer hours are now in effect: library is closed on Saturdays in June, July and August. No action required.

Parks and Recreation Commission

Reminder to all of the upcoming Arts and Crafts Fair on July 24-26 and the Cruisin' with the oldies Car Show, August 1, 2009. No action required.

Historic District Commission

No report.

City Attorney

No report.

Planning Commission

No report.

Senior Housing Steering Committee

No report.

Brownfield Redevelopment Authority

No report.

Bills Payable

Motion by Baker, seconded by Sikora, to approve the payment of all bills as presented. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Communication from the Public

Ken Shephard spoke to Council on behalf of Wilmar Convalescent Home's request for a shed. Mr. Shephard is reminded that the Home must comply with the rules and procedures and referred the matter back to the Mayor and the Building Department.

Connie Lozier, 7556 River Vista, requested relief from the sewer portion of her water bill for the filling of her swimming pool.

Due to past experience with the flooding of Davis street, motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Sikora to waive up to \$80 on sewer charges for a one time option for this address. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Adjournment

Motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Baker, to adjourn the meeting. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**. Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

M. Catherine McGrail
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City Clerk