



**REGULAR MEETING
CEDAR SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA**

Thursday, March 10, 2016

**6:15 p.m. Workshop
7:00 p.m. Meeting**

**Cedar Springs City Hall
66 S. Main St.
Cedar Springs, Michigan**

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL:

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| Mr. Daniel Clark | _____ |
| Mr. Perry Hopkins | _____ |
| Mrs. Molly Nixon | _____ |
| Mrs. Rose Ellen Powell | _____ |
| Mr. Robert Truesdale | _____ |
| Mrs. Pamela Conley, Mayor Pro Tem | _____ |
| Mr. Gerald Hall, Mayor | _____ |

3. PUBLIC FORUM.

The Council welcomes and encourages the public to speak during the public comment and public hearing portions of the agenda. However, Council policy is to hear the public comment, not to act on the public comment at that time. Concerns brought before the Council during the Public Comment portion of the agenda will be referred to the City Manager for action. If, after communicating with the City Manager, no resolution is reached, the concern will be elevated to the Mayor and then eventually to the Council for action.

Those citizens wishing to speak on agenda and non-agenda items will be allowed a maximum of four minutes each to address their concerns. This is the only time during the Council meeting that citizens are allowed to address the Council. Please state your name and address for the record.

4. PUBLIC HEARING.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

6. CONSENT AGENDA.

Councilmembers may request that any or all items be removed from the Consent Agenda. A motion is then in order to adopt all items not removed from the Consent Agenda. Requesting the removal of an item from the Consent Agenda is a prerogative afforded each councilmember and does not require the support of other councilmembers.

A. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 11, 2016.

B. Approval of the Checks Paid Prior #s 38566 – 38643 totaling \$331,997.92; the January Accounts Payable #s 38644 - 38659 totaling \$260,373.84 and Electronic Transfers totaling \$583.60. The total of all checks and transfers is \$592,955.36.

7. CORRESPONDENCE.

A. February 29, 2016 Charter Communications Letter.

B. Right Place Monthly Update.

C. GVMC Weekly Updates: Feb. 19, Feb. 26 and March 4, 2016.

D. January 19, 2016 CDBT Minutes.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

A. Discussion regarding Citizens United v. FEC (2010) as presented by Eric-John Szczepaniak at the February 11, 2016 meeting.

B. Continued discussion of City properties on the tax rolls as requested by Councilor Clark.

C. Update on status of antique fire truck as requested by Councilor Powell.

D. Update on status of Wastewater Treatment Plant funding projects.

9. NEW BUSINESS.

A. Motion to waive Policy No. 12 to act on 2016 – 17 Nelson Township Fire Agreement.

1. Motion to approve the 2016 – 17 Nelson Township Fire Agreement and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign on behalf of the City.

B. Discussion regarding Resolution 2016 – 07, a resolution recognizing the 2016 Chamber of Commerce Events as Community Events. (first reading)

C. Discussion regarding City's current estimated Fund Balance.

D. Discussion regarding Michigan Rural Water and Sewer Rate Studies.

E. Discussion regarding new agenda format.

- F. Discussion regarding current and necessary protocols for Councilmembers and citizens to visit City facilities like the Fire Barn and Waste Water Treatment Plant as requested by Councilor Clark.
- G. Discussion regarding City email use and Facebook use as requested by Councilor Powell.

10. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT.

A. General Information and Special Projects.

B. Monthly Department Reports.

- 1. Department of Public Works.
 - a. Infrastructure Alternative's operational and maintenance report.
- 2. Police Department (*none this month*)
- 3. Fire Department.
- 4. City Clerk.
- 5. Finance Director/Treasurer.
 - a. Cash Summary Report.
 - b. Revenue/Expenditure Report.
- 6. Imperial Municipal Services. (*none this month*)
- 7. Code Enforcement Log. (*none this month*)
- 8. Board and Commission Minutes:
 - a. March 1, 2016 Planning Commission Minutes.
 - b. February 22, 2016 Zoning Board of Appeals Minutes.
 - c. January 25, 2016 CS Library Board Minutes.

11. COUNCIL COMMENTS.

12. ADJOURNMENT.