



**REGULAR MEETING
CEDAR SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA**

Thursday, December 10, 2015

6:15 p.m. Workshop

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

Members Present: Dan Clark, Perry Hopkins, Molly Nixon, Rose Ellen Powell, Robert Truesdale, Pam Conley, Gerald Hall.

Also Present: Interim City Manager Linda Christensen, Fire Chief Marty Fraser, Finance Director Deb Brunett, DPW Director Tom Stressman, Deputy Finance Director Carrie Rodwell, KCSD Sergeant Jason Kelley.

The Interim City Manager reviewed agenda items with Councilmembers.

7:00p.m. Meeting

1. The meeting was Called to Order by Mayor Gerald Hall at 7:00p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. **ROLL CALL:**

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

3. **PUBLIC FORUM.**

Curt Mabie, C.B.D.T. stated that the Kent Theatre is having a movie night with all proceeds going to the Cedar Springs New Library Building Fund. The CBDT is talking about the purchase of property from Mr. Sommers on the North side of Cedar Creek. He also thanked Perry Hopkins for all his hard work for our community.

A. Presentation by Doug Vredeveld, Vredeveld & Haefner LLC, on 2014 City Audit.

4. **PUBLIC HEARING**.- No One Spoke

5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**.

Motion by Conley, supported by Hopkins to approve agenda with the removal of Item C under Unfinished Business.

VOTE 7-0 Motion Carried

6. **CONSENT AGENDA**.

Motion by Hopkins, supported by Clark to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following:

- A. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 12, 2015 and the Special Meetings of November 19, 2015 and December 3, 2015.
- B. Approval of the Checks Paid Prior #s 38266 - 38346 totaling \$137,802.37; the December Accounts Payable #s 38347 – 38361 totaling \$38,893.18 and Electronic Transfers totaling \$1,472.28. The total of all checks and transfers was \$178,167.83 .
- C. Resolution No. 2015 – 33, a resolution to establish the regular meeting dates of the City Council from January, 2016 through December, 2016.
- D. Approval of the \$5,000.00 annual disbursement to the Cedar Springs Area Parks and Recreation.
- E. Approval of the annual disbursement of the Evelyn Cossin fund to the CS Ministerial Association for needy families within the Cedar Springs City limits.
- F. Resolution No. 2015 – 34, a resolution to collect 100% of the Kent Intermediate School District property tax in the Summer of 2016 as requested pursuant to Act 451, Public Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended.

VOTE: 7-0 Motion Carried

7. **Linda Christensen included:**

- A. Letter from the Cedar Springs Historical Society & Museum.
- B. November 25, 2015 and December 4, 2015 Grand Valley Metropolitan Council Weekly Updates.
- C. Right Place Newsletter.
- D. September 15, 2015 & October 20, 2015 Community Building Development Team minutes.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

- A. Motion by Conley, supported by Clark to reject the recommendation of the Local Officer's Compensation Committee for a pay increase for Council members**

VOTE: 7-0 Motion Carried.

- B. Motion by Clark, supported by Hopkins to table the Council action on second amendment with Wolverine Skyhawk's Model Club.**

VOTE: 7-0 Motion Carried

- C. Removed from the Agenda:**

- D. Discussion regarding the hanging of the newly restored Red Flannel poster in City Hall as requested by Councilor Powell.**

- E. Discussion regarding a traffic study for Main Street as requested by Councilor Powell.**

- F. Discussion regarding the development of a parking lot at Second and Maple Streets as requested by Councilor Powell.**

- G. Mayoral Business Matters:**

- 1. Motion by Conley supported by Hopkins to approve the appointment of Bernie Beier to the DDA.**

VOTE: 7-0 Motion Carried

9. NEW BUSINESS.

- A. Motion by Hopkins, supported by Nixon to waive Policy 12 to act on a pay increase for the Deputy Finance Director at first consideration.**

VOTE: 7-0 Motion Carried

- 1. Motion by Conley, supported by Hopkins to approve a pay increase for the Deputy Finance Director. Total pay per hour \$14.00**

VOTE: 7-0 Motion Carried

- B. First Consideration: Request for a working holiday Martin Luther King Day January 18, 2016.**

- B. Motion by Hopkins, supported by Conley to waive Policy 12 to act on setting a public hearing on the conditional transfer of property from Solon Township to the jurisdiction of the City of Cedar Springs at first consideration.**

VOTE: 7-0 Motion Carried

1. **Motion by Hopkins, supported by Nixon to set a 7:00 p.m. January 14, 2016 public hearing on the conditional transfer of property from Solon Township to the jurisdiction of the City of Cedar Springs.**

Parcel Address: 14100 White Creek Ave.

Parcel Number: 41-02-25-300-026

VOTE: 7-0 Motion Carried

D. Discussion regarding if Council wishes to pursue the grant process for the extension of West Street.

E. Discussion regarding to proceed with restoring the Red Flannel Town identity, regarding the Red Flannel Town, Cedar Springs, Michigan, city symbol, street signs, stickers, city parks and cemetery sign as requested by Councilmember 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.

3. Fire Department.

4. City Clerk.

5. Finance Officer/Treasurer.

a. Cash Summary Report.

b. Revenue/Expenditure Report.

6. Boards and Commission Minutes:

a. November 10, 2015 and December 1, 2015 Planning Commission Minutes.

b. October 26, 2015 CS Library Board Minutes.

c. November 23, 2015 DDA Minutes.

11. **COUNCIL COMMENTS.**

Clark- Talked about the traffic on Main St. and Thanked Perry Hopkins for his great work in this city.

Powell- Thanks to Linda Christensen for the great work she is doing as Interim City Manager.

Conley- Thanks to Deb Brunett, Marty Fraser and Linda Christensen for their hard work and dedication to the City of Cedar Springs.

Hopkins- Thanked the City staff and the KCSD for doing a great job.

Truesdale- Wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Nixon- Appreciates everyone in the City of Cedar Springs

Hall- Thanks to Perry Hopkins for the Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony. Looking forward to 2016

12. The Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Carrie Rodwell, Deputy Finance Director

Gerald Hall, Mayor