



**REGULAR MEETING
CEDAR SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA**

Thursday, January 12, 2017

**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:

Mr. Daniel Clark	_____
Mrs. Pamela Conley, Mayor Pro Tem	_____
Mr. Jerry Gross Sr.	_____
Mr. Gerald Hall, Mayor	_____
Mr. Perry Hopkins	_____
Mrs. Molly Nixon	_____
Ms. Rose Powell	_____

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

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 this 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 HEARINGS.

5. ADOPTION 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 Special Meeting of December 21, 2016.

B. Approval of the Checks Paid Prior #s 39451-39538	totaling \$167,040.83
; the January Accounts Payable #s 39539-39546	totaling \$11,866.19
and Electronic Transfers	totaling \$2,305.28
The total of all checks and transfers is	\$181,212.30

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7. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Use of Council Chambers fees/guidelines.

B. IFT request for Display Pack for \$2,161,292 in Real Property Improvements for a length of 12 years.

C. Establishing a subcommittee to narrow down names for the new walking park and nature preserve.

D. Cedar Springs Industrial Facilities Tax Abatement Guidelines discussion:

1. Use of Personal Property in addition to Real Property to determine overall capital investment abatement points.
2. Use of "number of employees" instead of "number of employees earning a certain wage"
3. Adding 1 point to "Years in business" for new category of 1-5 and then shifting all other categories upwards.

E. Farmer's Market Ordinance

8. ACTION ITEMS:

A. Resolution 2017-01 to approve the Cedar Springs Manufacturing request for Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption for \$1,200,000 Real Property.

B. Motion to approve Purchase of a Western Wide Out Plow from Hookstra Equipment not to exceed \$5,480.00

- C. Motion to approve Library Budget amendments to reflect new library construction costs.
- D. Motion to approve Final Preliminary Plat Approval to the Prairie Run North development subject to compliance with the requirements of the City Planner, City Engineer, County Plat Board and Country Drain Commission and requiring the applicant to reimburse the City for any inspection costs incurred for inspection of the utility and roadway installation.
- E. Motion to approve the Agreement for Library Services with Solon Township.
- F. Motion to approve RESOLUTION APPROVING POSSESSION AND CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES ON CITY PROPERTY BY THE YANKEE ZEPHYR RACING PROMOTIONS AT THEIR FEBRUARY 17th AND 18th MICHIGAN WINTER FEST EVENT

9. COMMUNICATIONS:

- A. 12-09-2016 GVMC
- B. 12-16-2016 GVMC
- C. 12-23-2016 GVMC
- D. Medical Marijuana Communication
- E. 01-06-2017 GVMC
- F. Kathy Bremmer Noon Whistle
- G. Kent County Report Newsletter JAN2017
- H. NLC SLW Why Offer Program

10. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

- A. City Manager.
- B. Department of Public Works.
- C. Police Department
- D. Fire Department.
 - a. Monthly Summary
 - b. Monthly Report
- E. City Clerk.
 - a. MML Newly Elected Officials Weekender February 17th-18th Frankenmuth, MI w/stay at Holiday Inn Express
 - b. Shirley Merlington resigned from Election Commission and the alternate of Board of Review. Open seats have been advertised to the public via social media.

Applications for board/commissions can be found online and then sent to the City Manager.

- F. Finance Director/Treasurer.
 - a. Cash Summary Report.
 - b. Revenue/Expenditure Report.
- G. Code Enforcement.
- H. Building Inspection.
- I. Board and Commission Minutes:
 - a. 11-7-16 CSAPR Board Meeting
 - b.
 - c.

11. COUNCIL COMMENTS.

12. CLOSED SESSION.

- A. Motion to go into closed session to consider a periodic personnel evaluation of the City Manager at the City Manager's request.
- B. Motion to reconvene into Open Session

13. OPEN SESSION

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12. ADJOURNMENT.