



**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Cedar Springs City Council**

Thursday, August 11, 2016

7:00 p.m.

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

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

2. <u>ROLL CALL:</u>	Mr. Daniel Clark	Present
	Mr. Perry Hopkins	Present
	Mrs. Molly Nixon	Present
	Mrs. Rose Ellen Powell	Present
	Mr. Robert Truesdale	Absent
	Mrs. Pamela Conley, Mayor Pro Tem	Present
	Mr. Gerald Hall, Mayor	Present

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS.

Donna Clark expressed high praise for the emergency responders who came to her rescue, and for all of the wonderful individuals who made her summer reading program a success. She also reported that the footings were poured for the new library

Kevin Galloway stated that he has teamed up with Councilmember Hopkins to hold a fundraiser for Brison Ricker on October 15, 2016 from Noon to 5:00 p.m. at Skinner Field. He is looking for sponsors and community support.

Eric Pipenger from Wolverine Skyhawks was present to inform the City Council about a fundraiser he is holding on Labor Day at the Skyhawks Field.

Bruce Gravelyn stated that he is running as a nonparty affiliate for Trustee in Solon Township.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS.

There were no public hearings.

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion by Hopkins, supported by Clark to change discussion item 7A to reflect Resolution 2016-26 and under Action Items to add Item J – Motion to accept resignation of Danielle Phillips from the Library Board, Item K – Appoint Louise King to Library Board, and Item L – Clarify May 12, 2016 minutes to reflect that the renaming of the library is not for the organization but for the building.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

6. CONSENT AGENDA.

- A. Approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 14, 2016.
- B. Approval of the minutes of the Special Meeting of August 1, 2016.
- C. Approval of Checks Paid Prior #s 38992-39078 totaling \$375,768.64;
the July Accounts Payable #s 397079-39094 totaling \$101,690.43
The Electronic Transfers totaling \$625.65
The total of all checks and transfer is \$478,084.72

Motion by Conley, supported by Nixon, to approve all consent agenda items.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

- A. Planning Commission's Recommendation on the acquisition of 8 acres of land from the CBDT. Resolution 2016-26 offered as potential action item.

Womack advised that the Planning Commission recommended acquisition with due diligence. Council then asked Mr. Mabie to speak about the project. He explained that by deeding the property over it will help the CBDT acquire grant funds that would otherwise not be available to them. There was confirmation that the contamination is not on the property that will be deeded to the City. Hopkins stated that the purpose of this acquisition is to help the City accomplish the PUD projects cost effectively.

- B. Appointment of Jerry Gross to City Council.

Gross introduced himself to the Council. He stated that he will submit a Letter of Intent, but he needs clarification about how his rights and responsibilities as a Councilmember interplay with his duties as a firefighter. Womack is working with legal counsel and will provide answers before the September meeting.

8. ACTION ITEMS.

- A. Motion to accept Mr. Truesdale's Resignation and approve Resolution 2016-21, the Robert Truesdale Resolution.

Motion by Hopkins, supported by Conley, to approve Resolution 2016-21.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

- B. Motion to approve Resolution 2016-22, a Resolution to allow possession and consumption of alcohol on city property in connection with the Red Flannel Festival.

Motion by Nixon, supported by Conley, to approve Resolution 2016-22.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

- C. Motion to approve Resolution 2016-23, the Red Flannel Community Event Application.

Motion by Nixon, supported by Conley, to approve Resolution 2016-23.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

- D. Motion to approve Resolution 2016-24, the United Methodist Church's Community Event Application.

Motion by Clark, supported by Hopkins, to approve Resolution 2016-24.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

- E. Motion to approve the purchase of DDA Wayfaring Signs in the amount of \$1,865.85 for one sign or \$3,965.32 for two signs.

Discussion: The Council needs clarification about placement, lighting, and where the funding will come from.

Motion by Clark, supported by Conley, to approve tabling of approval of the purchase of DDA Wayfaring Signs.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

- F. Motion to approve the purchase of 5 circulating pumps from Chrome Mechanical in the amount of \$13,405.00

Motion by Hopkins, supported by Clark, to approve purchase of the 5 circulating pumps.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

G. Motion to approve the purchase of a 2016 Ford F250 truck from Vanderhyde Ford in an amount not to exceed \$25,650.

Motion by Conley, supported by Hopkins, to approve purchase of the 2016 Ford F250 truck.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

H. Motion to approve the rebuilding of a Motive Pump for the WWTP in the amount of \$10,325.

Motion by Nixon, supported by Hopkins, to approve rebuilding of the Motive Pump for the WWTP.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

I. Motion to approve Resolution 2016-25, installation of a 2” water service and meter to the building at 660 West Street, Cedar Springs, Michigan.

Motion by Conley, supported by Clark, to approve Resolution 2016-25.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

J. Motion to accept the resignation of Danielle Phillips from the Library Board and thank her for her service.

Motion by Nixon, supported by Conley, to accept the resignation of Danielle Phillips.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

K. Motion to appoint Ms. Louise King to the Library Board.

Motion by Conley, supported by Hopkins, to appoint Louise King to the Library Board.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

L. Motion to clarify Minutes of May 12, 2016 item 8G. The minutes reflect a motion to rename “the Cedar Springs Public Library to the Cedar Springs Community Library” as requested by the CBDT, upon watching a video of this discussion it is apparent that the Council was discussing renaming the new library building and not the library organization.

Motion to clarify the May 12 minutes to reflect that the renaming applies to the building and not the organization.

Motion by Hopkins, supported by Nixon, to clarify that the May 12, 2016 minutes reflect the renaming applies to the building and not the organization.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

9. COMMUNICATIONS.

None.

10. DEPARTMENT REPORTS.

A. City Manager. Manager Womack expressed his thanks for all of the flowers, gifts, and support from the community who have welcomed him to Cedar Springs.

B. Department of Public Works.

a. Infrastructure Alternative's operational and maintenance report.

C. Police Department Sheriff's Report July 2016.

A new employee will be starting. Also, the interactive report is available for viewing.

D. Fire Department monthly summary for July 2016

E. City Clerk

The election went very smoothly and it appears the Board of Canvassers did not find any issues, though the election is not official certified at this time.

F. Finance Director/Treasurer. Not Present.

a. Cash Summary Report.

b. Revenue/Expenditure Report.

G. Code Enforcement Monthly Summary July 2016

H. Building Inspection.

I. Board and Commission Minutes:

a. Downtown Development Authority's Minutes of July 25, 2016.

b. Planning Commission Minutes of July 5, 2016.

At this time, Hopkins, with support of Nixon, made a motion to amend the agenda to add Action Item M to approve the acquisition of the 8 acres from CDBT, bearing the street addresses of: 129 W. Cherry, 180 5th Street, 158 Pine, 160 2nd Street, 162 2nd Street, and 157 N. Main.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

Then, motion by Hopkins, with support of Nixon, to accept acquisition of the 8 acres from CBDT, bearing the street addresses of: 129 W. Cherry, 180 5th Street, 158 Pine, 160 2nd Street, 162 2nd Street, and 157 N. Main.

VOTE: 6 – 0, Motion Carried.

11. COUNCIL COMMENTS.

Councilmember Clark met with HRC engineering regarding a TAP grant from the Natural Resources Trust Fund. The two bridges would now be part of this grant, as well as seek funding from the Patronicity initiative.

Councilmember Powell sees people really enjoying the benches and the staging area. She has received comments that people are impressed with the quality of the staging area and facilities.

Councilmember Conley is really excited about all of the great things happening in this community from the summer reading program to the Biggby Coffee, library and Red Flannel Festival. She is grateful to be in this community with the people of Cedar Springs.

Councilmember Hopkins thanked the people who are participating in the new things in town and working on fundraisers for the Brison Ricker fundraiser. He states our community is very generous with their money and time.

Councilmember Nixon will not be able to attend the September or October meetings due to her school schedule. She feels Policy 12 may be overreaching with respect to community events and should be reviewed.

Councilmember Hall thanked the Skyhawks for being there and doing great things in the community. He also thanked the CBDT for all they do, the Library, and Kevin Galloway for his efforts in the community.

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

Christine Witt, Interim City Clerk

Gerald Hall, Mayor