



**REGULAR MEETING  
CEDAR SPRINGS CITY COUNCIL**

**MINUTES**

**Thursday, August 13, 2020**

**7:00 p.m. Meeting**

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

1. Call to order by Mayor Hall at 7:16 P.M. due to Power Outage and Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
2. ROLL CALL:

Ms. Lisa Atchison	<u>Present</u>
Mrs. Pamela Conley, Mayor Pro Tem	<u>Present 7:09</u>
Mr. Jerry Gross Sr.	<u>Present</u>
Mrs. Molly Nixon	<u>Present</u>
Ms. Rose Powell	<u>Present</u>
Mrs. Renee Race	<u>Present</u>
Mr. Gerald Hall, Mayor	<u>Present</u>

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 if you would like.*

Public Comments:

Brynadette Powell asked the Council to review the marijuana zoning ordinances concerning property line for a single family residence in a B3 district as is too restrictive. A residence that shares a property line next to her business is non-conforming.

Jon Huzinga with Rise Up Church stated he would be present to any questions concerning the community event coming up later in the agenda.

4. PUBLIC HEARINGS.

A. None.

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA.

Motion by **Gross** seconded by **Atchison** to approve the agenda as presented.

**Roll Call Vote      7      -      0                      Motion Carried.**

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 July 09, 2020.
- B. Approval of the Checks Paid Prior #s 43264 thru 43355 and Electronic Transfers totaling \$494,921.44.
- C. Motion to waive delinquent utilities at 17 N Main Street in the amount of \$421.82.
- D. Motion to approve of the \$7,000.00 annual disbursement to NKCE (formerly Cedar Springs Area Parks and Recreation) (2020-2021 Fiscal Year).
- E. Motion to approve city policy on MDOT Specific Services Signing (also known as Logo Signing) for businesses in the City of Cedar Springs.
  - a. Existing signage

Motion by **Powell** seconded by **Atchison** to approve the consent agenda as presented.

**Roll Call Vote      7      -      0                      Motion Carried.**

7. ACTION ITEMS:

A. Motion to approve the City's "take away" parking and signage policy.

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. Discussion on allowing Main Street Restaurants in the B-2 Zoning district to "reserve" on-street parking spots for short-term takeaway parking only.

a. [https://www.myparkingsign.com/portable-rolling-cone-base-sign-holder-58-inch-pole/sku-k-roll-1087?engine=googlebase&keyword=&skuid=K-Roll-1087-K-Roll-1087&gclid=EAlalQobChMI7cXukfn-6gIVh8DACH2aAAAtTEAQYAiABEgLnE\\_D\\_BwE](https://www.myparkingsign.com/portable-rolling-cone-base-sign-holder-58-inch-pole/sku-k-roll-1087?engine=googlebase&keyword=&skuid=K-Roll-1087-K-Roll-1087&gclid=EAlalQobChMI7cXukfn-6gIVh8DACH2aAAAtTEAQYAiABEgLnE_D_BwE)

b. <https://www.signsdirect.com/Tipn-Roll-Portable-Sign-Pole/X-Large-Rolling-Sign-Base.html>

B. New Cedar Springs firework ordinance

a. MML Info on fireworks

b. Cedar Springs current fireworks ordinance

C. Temporary Business Licenses-Fireworks

a. CM Memo December 2017 on Temporary Businesses Ordinance 193

b. CM 2020 Temporary Business Memo

D. Cedar Springs Medical Marihuana Draft Ordinances

a. MRA article-possible removal of the medical marihuana license requirement in November 2020

9. COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Fire Station recorded easement

B. Mission Point Health Services

10. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

A. City Manager.

**Womack** addressed technical difficulties Citizen Gary Waid was working through to join the meetings and offered him an opportunity to speak. Waid was unable to respond. He asserted the email/letter from the Bremmers was malarkey, that Kathy Bremmer was part of the process through Planning Commission, that the long term impact was not only due to his behest. The community voted for it.

B. Department of Public Works.

a. Infrastructure Alternative's operational and maintenance report.

None.

C. Police Department

None.

D. Fire Department.

**Fraser** stated the New Fire Department construction has begun.

E. City Clerk.

**Napieralski** acknowledged the success of the August Election. November's Election will be quickly approaching. She stated that Johnson would be returning from maternity leave in October.

- F. Finance Director/Treasurer.
  - a. Cash Summary Report.
  - b. Revenue/Expenditure Report.
  - c. Balance Sheet

G. Code Enforcement.

None.

H. Building Inspection.

None.

- I. Board and Commission Minutes:
  - a. 04-27-2020 Library Board Minutes
  - b. 03-02-2020 NKCE Minutes
  - c. 05-04-2002 NKCE Minutes

## 11. COUNCIL COMMENTS.

**Atchison** appreciated everyone is working together and there are a lot of things happening in the city.

**Conley** acknowledged the election staff for their continued work to make voting safe.

**Gross** encouraged apathy and participation. He asked that you let the council know what you are thinking now, not to wait until after something happens.

**Nixon** recognized absentee voting is adapting to these difficult circumstances.

**Powell** asserted that if there is concern about the Postal Service having timely delivery, AV Ballots can be returned to your polling place directly.

**Race** thanked everyone.

**Hall** observed all the work to bring these ordinances that require restrictions and will also bring new business to the city.

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

**Hall** adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

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**Shandell Napieralski, Deputy City Clerk**

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**Gerald Hall, Mayor**