

City of Utica
Regular Council Meeting
April 16, 2013

The City Council meeting was called to order by Mayor Noonan at 7:19 p.m.

Members present: Barthelmeh, Sikora, Osladil, Terenzi, Montag, Cuddington, Noonan
Absent: None

Executive Session

Motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Osladil, to recess to executive session to discuss litigation matters. Voting by roll, all ayes, motion CARRIED. Executive session recessed at 7:24 p.m.

Regular Council meeting was called to order at 7:35 p.m. and the Mayor led a moment of silence for the Boston tragedy and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes of 3/12/13

Motion by Osladil, seconded by Terenzi, to approve the minutes of 3/12/13 as presented. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Unfinished Business

None.

Consent Business

Motion by Sikora, seconded by Terenzi, to approve the following consent business as presented: requests from Fishermen's Net Church for the Annual Day of Prayer on 5/2/13 and the Utica Lions White Cane Drive on 4/26-5/5/13. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Correspondence

Mayor Noonan presented the correspondence from ITC announcing their 10th Anniversary and thanked them for their \$5,000 grant for Riverwalk entry improvements in the City. No action required.

New Business

Department Reports

Mayor Noonan

Civil Rights Act of 1964, Title VI Plan

Mayor Noonan updated all on the Title VI Plan which will be presented at the May meeting. No action required.

Eastpointe Resolution

Motion by Noonan, seconded by Terenzi, to endorse and adopt the Resolution 1738 from Eastpointe. Voting all ayes by roll, 7 ayes, motion CARRIED.

Administration Resolution

Motion by Sikora, seconded by Barthelmeh, to adopt the amendment to the Administration Resolution including the Deputy Police Chief as presented with wages to be determined in the adopted budgets. Voting by roll, 7 ayes, motion CARRIED.

Michigan Week Activities

Mayor Noonan reviewed the Michigan Week activities with the City of Lapeer: Mayor's Exchange at Lapeer on May 15; Lapeer's visit in Utica on May 29; Heritage Luncheon on May 29; Student Government Day with Utica High students on May 28. No action required.

HDC Appointment

Motion by Montag, seconded by Cuddington, to appoint Deanna Vidoevski, business owner at 7654 Auburn Road, to fill the Historic District Commission vacancy, term to expire April, 2016. Voting all ayes, motion CARRIED.

Ice Festival

Mayor Noonan thanked the 3 chair people for the recent Ice Festival, Faith Terenzi, John Sattmann, Tom Steeh as well as Genisys for their generous support.

Council Reports

Mayor Pro Tem Barthelmeh acknowledged the Carter Family for all their work on the Easter Egg Hunt, and all who volunteered. Thanks also to Best Buy for the pictures taken with Mr. Bunny.

Councilwoman Terenzi indicated the May 18 is Community Pride Day and asked all to clean up their property and assist those who cannot do so; she also reported on her recent MML Legislative Conference sessions, minutes will be forthcoming. She is also looking into a vending machine in the lobby of the building for those who would like a refreshing drink when taking a break from the Riverwalk/canoe and kayak activities.

Assessing- Nancy Strehl, Assessor

Motion by Sikora, seconded by Barthelmeh, to approve the settlement presented on MTT Docket #0415724, GMP property on Hall Road, as presented. Voting by roll, all ayes, motion CARRIED.

Building- Gary Moscone

No report.

Fire- Kevin Wilseck, Chief

Bureau of Fire Services, Fireworks Safety General Rules

Fire Chief Wilseck presented the updated state fireworks rules recently received for information only, no action required.

Police- Dave Faber, Chief

Proposed Amendment to 2nd Hand Dealer Ordinance, Ordinance 160-A

Motion by Sikora, seconded by Barthelmeh, to adopt the proposed amendment to the 2nd Hand Dealer Ordinance, Ordinance #160-A as presented. Voting by roll, all ayes, motion CARRIED.

Annual Shred Day

Chief Faber indicated that the annual shred day will be Saturday, June 8, 2013 from 10 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in the municipal parking lot behind the police station. No action required.

DPW- Bill Lang, Superintendent

No report.

Treasurer- Philip Paternoster

Auditing Firm

Motion by Terenzi, seconded by Osladil, to approve the proposal submitted by Abraham & Gaffney, P.C. for the City's audits for the next three years. Voting by roll, all ayes, motion CARRIED.

Paul V. Engstrom & Co. has served the City well for many years and will be missed.

Administration- Cathy McGrail, City Clerk

No report.

Library- Marsha Doege, Director

OverDrive

The OverDrive program is up and running at the Library thanks to the Utica Heritage Association who purchased the program for the patrons to use in downloading books to their mobile device. Please use the service whenever possible.

Utica Heritage Association

The UHA has ordered a 2nd printing of the popular Utica History book which is now available for purchase at the Library, City Hall, Ace Hardware, Utica Florist and Steve's Café.

Parks and Recreation Commission

Old Mill Arts & Crafts and Riverwalk Festival

Please join us in June 12 - June 16, 2013 for all the fun. Details to follow.

Historic District Commission

No report.

City Attorney

No report.

Planning Commission

No report.

Senior Housing Steering Committee

Work session

There will be a Senior Housing work session on May 28 at 5:30 p.m. followed by Building department. No action required.

Brownfield Redevelopment Authority

No report.

Bills Payable

Motion by Sikora, seconded by Barthelmeh, to approve the payment of all bills as presented. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**.

Communication from the Public

Turning Point

Theresa Mlinarcik, representing Turning Point, was present to announce that April is Sexual Assault Awareness Month. Turning Point wants all to know that through teaching respect and living respect, sexual assault can be diminished but Turning Point is here to help all.

Adjournment

As there were no further comments from the public, motion by Barthelmeh, seconded by Osladil, to adjourn the meeting. Voting all ayes, motion **CARRIED**. Meeting adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

M. Catherine McGrail
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City Clerk