

**CITY OF WILLIAMSTON
CITY COUNCIL
JANUARY 14, 2019
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES**

1. Call To Order:

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers by Mayor Tammy Gilroy, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

3. Roll Call:

Mayor Tammy Gilroy, Mayor Pro-tem John Bisard, Council Members Sandy Whelton, Noah Belanger, Dan Rhines, and Kent Hall. Absent: Jeffrey Weiss.

Also Present: City Manager Corey Schmidt, City Clerk Holly Thompson, City Attorney Timothy Perrone, Police Chief Bob Young, City Engineer/DPW Director Scott DeVries, JFM Productions, City Attorney Matt Nordfjord, and Fire Chief Michael Yanz.

Motion by **Belanger**, second by **Hall**, to excuse Weiss. **Motion passed by voice vote.**

4. Approval of Agenda:

Motion by **Belanger**, second by **Whelton**, to approve the agenda as presented. **Motion passed by voice vote.**

5. Audience Participation:

Mayor Gilroy called for public comments at this time and there were none.

6. Council Meeting Minutes of December 10, 2018:

Motion by **Rhines**, second by **Bisard**, to approve the December 10, 2018 Council minutes as presented. **Motion passed by voice vote.**

7. Accounts Payable:

The accounts payables totaled \$350,356.63 with reference #'s 71167-71310.

Motion by **Belanger**, second by **Hall**, to approve the accounts payables as presented, reference #'s 71167-71310 for a total of \$350,356.63. Yes: Rhines, Gilroy, Whelton, Hall, Bisard, Belanger. No: None. **Motion passed.**

8. Action Items

8a. Appointment of Council Members to Boards & Commissions:

Appointment	Representative	Alternate	Meeting Date
EDC/TIFA	Jeff Weiss	Kent Hall	Third Thursday
DDA	Tammy Gilroy	John Bisard	Third Tuesday
Planning Commission	John Bisard	Noah Belanger	First Tuesday
Cemetery Board	Kent Hall		
NIESA	Sandy Whelton	Jeff Weiss	Second

			Thursday
Parks & Recreation Commission	Kent Hall	Dan Rhines	Second Wednesday
Accounts Payable Review	Noah Belanger	Jeff Weiss	
Zoning Board of Appeals	Dan Rhines	Noah Belanger	

Motion by **Whelton**, second by **Bisard**, to approve the appointments to the Boards and Commissions as presented by Mayor Gilroy. Yes: Rhines, Gilroy, Whelton, Hall, Bisard, Belanger. No: None. **Motion passed.**

8b. Adoption of Resolution of Council Priorities for 2019/2020:

Motion by **Belanger**, second by **Rhines**, to approve the resolution adopting City Council priorities for 2019-20 as presented. Yes: Gilroy, Whelton, Hall, Bisard, Belanger, Rhines. No: None. **Motion passed.**

8c. Appointment of Emily Sutton-Smith to the Art Committee for a Term to Expire 09/30/19:

Motion by **Whelton**, second by **Belanger**, to appoint Emily Sutton-Smith to the Art Committee for a term to expire 09/30/19. Yes: Whelton, Hall, Bisard, Belanger, Rhines, Gilroy. No: None. **Motion passed.**

8d. 1st Reading of Ordinance for Principal & Special Land Uses Permitted Within I-1 District:

Motion by **Bisard**, second by **Belanger**, to approve the 1st reading of the Ordinance for Principal and Special Land Uses Permitted Within I-1 District as presented. Yes: Hall, Bisard, Belanger, Rhines, Gilroy, Whelton. No: None. **Motion passed.**

8e. Set Public Hearing for Park Master Plan- January 28, 2019 at 7:05 p.m.:

Motion by **Bisard**, second by **Whelton**, to set a public hearing for the Park Master Plan for January 28, 2019 at 7:05 p.m. Yes: Bisard, Belanger, Rhines, Gilroy, Whelton, Hall. No: None. **Motion passed.**

8f. Redevelopment Ready Communities Resolution:

Motion by **Belanger**, second by **Hall**, to approve the resolution authorizing the City of Williamston to participate in the Michigan Economic Development Corporation (MEDC) Redevelopment Ready Communities Program as presented. Yes: Belanger, Rhines, Gilroy, Whelton, Hall, Bisard. No: None. **Motion passed.**

11. Department Head Reports

11a. City Manager/DDA Director:

Manager Schmidt provided a written report for Council review.

11b. Police Chief:

No report.

11c. Treasurer:

A financial report was submitted for Council review by Treasurer Piner.

11d. DPW Director/Engineer:

Engineer DeVries gave an update on the Middle Street project and the open house they will be holding for the residents on January 21st.

12. Committee/Sub-Committee Reports:

Mayor Gilroy announced she will expect Council to report on the business for the boards and commissions on which they serve.

13. Audience Participation:

Mayor Gilroy called for public comments at this time and there were none.

14. Council Member Comments:

Councilman Hall commented he attended the meeting regarding the micro plastic testing efforts. He will give updates as he attends more.

Mayor Gilroy wished everyone a Happy New Year and reminded everyone there is no parking on the streets from 2am-5am and snow removal on sidewalks needs to be done within 48 hours of cessation of snowfall.

15. Closed Session- Capitol City Labor Program, Inc. Union Negotiations:

Motion by **Whelton**, second by **Rhines**, to go into closed session to discuss union negotiations with Capitol City Labor Program, Inc. Yes: Bisard, Belanger, Rhines, Gilroy, Hall, Whelton. No: None. **Motion passed.**

-Closed Session started at 7:32 p.m.

Motion by **Belanger**, second by **Rhines**, to return to open session. Yes: Belanger, Rhines, Gilroy, Hall, Whelton, Bisard. No: None. **Motion passed.**

-Closed Session ended at 7:50 p.m.

16. Action on Closed Session:

Motion by **Bisard**, second by **Whelton**, to ratify the tentative agreement between the City and the Capitol City Labor Program, Inc. bargaining unit reached on December 17, 2018 and authorize the Mayor to sign the new collective bargaining agreement upon review and approval of labor counsel. Yes: Belanger, Rhines, Gilroy, Hall, Whelton, Bisard. No: None. **Motion passed.**

17. Adjournment:

Motion by **Whelton**, second by **Bisard**, to adjourn. **Motion passed by voice vote.**

***Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted by:

Holly M. Thompson, City Clerk

Tammy Gilroy, Mayor

Date Approved:_____