

**CITY OF WILLIAMSTON
CITY COUNCIL
APRIL 10, 2017
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 Sean Bertolino, Council Members Sandy Whelton, Noah Belanger, Chad Munce, James DeForest, and Kent Hall. Absent: None.

Also Present: City Manager Alan Dolley, City Clerk Holly Thompson, City Attorney Timothy Perrone, Police Chief Bob Young, Community Development Director Mario Ortega, Miller Canfield Representative Tom Colis, JFM Productions, and other members of the public.

4. Approval of Agenda:

Motion by **DeForest**, second by **Belanger**, 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 March 27, 2017:

Motion by **DeForest**, second by **Hall**, to approve the March 27, 2017 Council minutes as presented. **Motion passed by voice vote.**

7. Accounts Payable:

The accounts payable totaled \$98,565.98 with reference #'s 68510-68559.

Motion by **Belanger**, second by **DeForest**, to approve the accounts payable as presented, reference #'s 68510-68559 for a total of \$98,565.98. Yes: Munce, DeForest, Gilroy, Whelton, Hall, Bertolino, Belanger. No: None. **Motion passed.**

8. Action Items

8a. Appointment of John Roy Castillo to the Economic Development Corporation/TIFA 2A & TIFA 2B for a Term to Expire 06/30/21:

Motion by **Munce**, second by **DeForest**, to appoint John Roy Castillo to the Economic Development Corporation/TIFA 2A & TIFA 2B for a term to expire 06/30/21. Yes: DeForest, Gilroy, Whelton, Hall, Bertolino, Belanger, Munce. No: None. **Motion passed.**

8b. Resolution Supporting Purchase of New Election Equipment:

Motion by **DeForest**, second by **Bertolino**, to approve the resolution supporting the purchase of new election equipment as presented. Yes: Gilroy, Whelton, Hall, Bertolino, Belanger, Munce, DeForest. No: None. **Motion passed.**

8c. 2017 Capital Improvement Bond Resolution:

Motion by **DeForest**, second by **Hall**, to approve the 2017 Capital Improvement Bond Resolution as presented. Yes: Whelton, Hall, Bertolino, Belanger, Munce, DeForest, Gilroy. No: None. **Motion passed.**

8d. City Planning/Zoning DDA Director Services:

Motion by **DeForest**, second by **Bertolino**, to approve allowing the City Manager to alter the McKenna contract to ultimately reduce their on-site hours to one (1) day per week (per the attached McKenna proposal), and have the DDA Director position and daily Planning/Zoning position assigned to City staff with corresponding stipend. Yes: Hall, Bertolino, Belanger, Munce, DeForest, DeForest, Gilroy, Whelton. No: None. **Motion passed.**

9. Discussion Items

9a. City Council Elections:

Clerk Thompson asked Council if they would be interested in changing the odd-year November City Council elections to even-year November elections. This would save the City money by eliminating an election for which the City is solely responsible for paying for. The requirements for changing the election date would be a City Charter amendment, public hearing, and Council resolution.

Council was in support of looking into this further to reduce costs.

11. Staff Reports

11a. City Manager:

Manager Dolley reminded Council there is a budget work session Tuesday, April 11 at 7pm in the NIESA meeting room. There is also a Michigan Main Street meeting and downtown walk through from 4pm-8pm on Tuesday, April 18.

11b. Police Chief:

No report.

11c. Treasurer :

A budget printout was submitted for City Council review.

12. Audience Participation:

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

13. Council Member Comments:

Councilman Bertolino commented Beauty and the Beast is showing at the Sun Theater

and 1984 is at the Williamston Theatre. ~~The Kiwanis group has generously pledged \$7,000 for Old School Park improvements.~~

Mayor Gilroy commented the Kiwanis group has generously pledged \$7,000 for Old School Park improvements and the DDA Main Street walk through is scheduled for Tuesday, April 18th at 4:00 p.m.

14. Adjournment:

Mayor Gilroy adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.

***Meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted by: _____
Holly M. Thompson, City Clerk

Tammy Gilroy, Mayor

Date Approved: _____