

**CITY OF WILLIAMSTON
CITY COUNCIL
JUNE 11, 2018
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 Sandy Whelton, Council Members Daniel Rhines, Kent Hall, John Bisard, Noah Belanger, and Jeffrey Weiss. Absent: None.

Also Present: City Manager Corey Schmidt, City Clerk Holly Thompson, City Attorney Timothy Perrone, City Attorney Courtney Gabbara, Police Chief Bob Young, City Treasurer Rachel Piner, City Engineer/DPW Director Scott DeVries, JFM Productions, Teri Nelson, Tammy Scott, Travis Fritts, and other members of the public.

Mayor Gilroy welcomed Corey Schmidt to his first Council meeting.

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 May 29, 2018

Motion by **Weiss**, second by **Whelton**, to approve the May 29, 2018 Council minutes as presented. **Motion passed by voice vote.**

7. Accounts Payable:

The accounts payables totaled \$156,185.13 with reference #'s 70337-70372.

Motion by **Belanger**, second by **Bisard**, to approve the accounts payables as presented, reference #'s 70337-70372 for a total of \$156,185.13. Yes: Weiss, Rhines, Gilroy, Whelton, Hall, Bisard, Belanger. No: None. **Motion passed.**

8. Action Items

8a. Adoption of 2018/2019 Fiscal Year Budget:

Motion by **Weiss**, second by **Whelton**, to approve the resolution approving the 2018/2019 Fiscal Year Budget as presented. Yes: Rhines, Gilroy, Whelton, Hall, Bisard, Belanger, Weiss. No: None. **Motion passed.**

8b. Crossing Safety Guard Services Agreement:

Motion by **Bisard**, second by **Whelton**, to approve the Crossing Safety Guard Services Agreement as presented. Yes: Gilroy, Whelton, Hall, Bisard, Belanger, Weiss, Rhines.

No: None. **Motion passed.**

8c. Police Officer Services Agreement:

Motion by **Bisard**, second by **Belanger**, to approve the Police Officer Services Agreement as presented. Yes: Whelton, Hall, Bisard, Belanger, Weiss, Rhines, Gilroy. No: None. **Motion passed.**

8d. 2nd Reading of Ordinance Repealing Food Truck Ordinance:

Motion by **Weiss**, second by **Whelton**, to approve the second reading of the Ordinance Repealing Chapter 30, Article IV of the Williamston Code of Ordinances. Yes: Hall, Bisard, Belanger, Weiss, Rhines, Gilroy, Whelton. No: None. **Motion passed.**

8e. W. Middle St. & E. Riverside HMA Mill & Fill – Contract Award:

Motion by **Belanger**, second by **Bisard**, to award the contract proposal for W. Middle St. and E. Riverside St. pavement repairs in the amount not to exceed \$20,000 to One Way Asphalt. Yes: Bisard, Belanger, Weiss, Rhines, Gilroy, Whelton, Hall. No: None. **Motion passed.**

11. Department Head Reports

11a. City Manager:

Manager Schmidt thanked Council for giving him the opportunity to become the Williamston City Manager. He also announced his wife gave birth last month to a baby boy. He has taken up residence here in town. He has met with City Hall staff and Department Heads and has taken a tour of the City. Manager Schmidt would like to meet with each Council member individually; he met with the Mayor today. He would also like to attend some of the service organization meetings as he has time.

Mayor Gilroy thanked City Hall staff for their work during the transition.

11b. Building Department:

A written report was submitted for Council review.

12. Audience Participation:

Travis Fritts gave a recap of the International Festival of Lagers. They had over 600 attendees with the goal of 1100 next year. The proceeds for the event went to Weekend Survival Kits. Brewers came from all over the world including Germany, China, Japan, Argentina, and Ohio to name a few. Fifty different beers were served to the masses. He is happy to be in Williamston and be a part of the community. Their tap donations have been up in the last two weeks. They were on Detroit TV a few times, in the Detroit Free Press and the Lansing State Journal. Old Nation is now selling beer in Europe, too.

14. Council Member Comments:

Councilman Rhines commented his wife had their baby, Isaac Kenneth, 6lbs. 7oz. and are both doing great and came home about a week ago. He now has three boys under the age of four years old.

Councilmember Whelton distributed a flyer of the hoods for which she is looking to raise money to help the local fire fighters. Her goal is to raise \$6,000. The fundraiser is called "Protecting our Protectors." On Thursday, the Beatles Tribute Band will be playing at the bandshell. She also announced they have picked the Citizen of the Year and the Grand Marshal. The Grand Marshal will be Police Officer Don Smith.

Councilman Belanger thanked Councilmember Whelton for all she's doing for the Jubilee and reminded everyone to attend the Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, June 24. He also welcomed new City Manager, Corey Schmidt.

Councilman Bisard relayed a story of how a kid was in the parking lot after a City meeting that wanted to speak with Officer Smith. Officer Smith came in on his time off to speak with the young man. He also reiterated how important the protective hoods are for fire fighters.

Councilman Hall commented that he is passing along an invitation from Earl Wolf for the newly remodeled Williamston at War display at the Depot Museum. A reception will be held on Sunday, June 24, from 2-4 pm and honors those who served in the Civil War through the Vietnam War. Also present will be Eagle Scout Harry Szymecko who completed his "Voices of Williamston Veterans" project for the museum. Expenses for creating the display were covered by a grant from the American Legion and funds from the estate of Bill Turner. Next week the Vietnam Traveling Wall, the largest in the country, will be on display at the Williamston football field. This wall is 360 feet long and eight feet high and will go from goalpost to goalpost. The Wall arrives in town with a police escort on Wednesday and will be set up on Thursday morning. The Wall opens at noon on Thursday and remains open until Sunday at 3 pm. It will be open 24 hours a day and is free of charge. He is still looking for a few more volunteers for setup on Thursday morning. The community support for this has been amazing.

Mayor Gilroy gave kudos to Clerk Thompson and Deputy Burke for getting postcards out to residents announcing the new election location. She also congratulated Councilmember Whelton on her Senior Volunteer of the Year Award from the Governor.

15. Adjournment:

Mayor Gilroy adjourned the Council meeting at 7:47 p.m.

***Meeting adjourned at 7:47 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted by:

Holly M. Thompson, City Clerk

Tammy Gilroy, Mayor

Date Approved: _____