

IMLAY CITY COMMISSION
150 N. Main Street
IMLAY CITY, MI 48444

REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, October 20, 2020
7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Joi Kempf called the meeting to order at 7:00PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Joi Kempf led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Joi Kempf
Commissioner Stu Davis
Commissioner Greg Rowden

Commissioner Al Ramirez
Commissioner Ted Sadler

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Frank Demske, Commissioner Kelly Villanueva

Also, Present: City Manager Craig Horton, Police Chief Scott Pike, City Clerk Dawn Sawicki-Franz, Attorney Brian Garner and citizens.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION by Davis supported by Sadler to approve the agenda as presented
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Davis supported by Sadler to approve the consent agenda items to include:

A. Approval of Minutes:	City Commission	October 6, 2020	
B. Other Minutes:	DDA	September 14, 2020	
	Parks & Rec	September 8, 2020	
C. Payment of Bills in the amount of:	General Fund Checking		\$ 223,872.49
	Tax Account		\$ 507,916.37
	HRA Account		\$ <u>0.00</u>
		Total	\$ 731,788.86

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Davis, Sadler, Ramirez, Rowden, Kempf

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. DEPARTMENT HEAD UPDATE: DDA – LORRELEI NATKE and KATRINA MORROW

Katrina Morrow introduced herself as the DDA Assistant and opened with positive comments regarding the recent attendance at the Summer Concert Series and Farmer's Market. Morrow also spoke of the 2020-2021 upcoming plans for the Farmer's Market to start in May as well as an evening market in conjunction with the Thursday evening concert series with a new addition of Food Truck Rallies for the summer months and suggested a date for the Sesquicentennial to be Friday, June 25, 2021 and Saturday, June 26, 2021 to coincide with the current Food Truck Rally schedule to encourage added excitement to both events.

Lorrelei Natke excitedly shared of the banner year, while all restrictions were being followed for the DDA events, in regards to the successful 6th Annual Art in the Rough, the large attendance to the outdoor Summer Concert Series and the full presence at the Farmer's Markets each week. Natke also noted that they were able to open three new businesses even during the pandemic. The DDA is still helping entrepreneurs by bringing new businesses to the area and the outlook for this is very positive. One-third of the businesses in the DDA district did receive some sort of grant from the Small Business Administration and we are currently in the process of filling out applications for more aid in this area. The new food trucks at the market were a huge success and that is why we are looking at expanding this event for next year. With the Summer Concert Series, we were able to get additional performers that would not normally come "up this far" but due to the pandemic and the cancellation of many events they were willing to come to Imlay City to perform at our outdoor venue and we are in the process of filling the schedule for next year already. Currently we are accepting bids for the downtown landscaping for next

year. We are working on updating the Seed (Small Business Entrepreneurs and Economic Development) Website as a DDA initiative and are looking for new information and businesses that we need to include. Job Fair plans are going to be continued in the future to ensure the local students with local talent and businesses in need of staffing will be connected. Working to collaborate with the Imlay City Chamber of Commerce for events and happenings within our city and surrounding area. The DDA has agreed to help with the current concrete issue. Scheduling is in the process for all next year's events and the DDA is thankful for the community support for all that is going on in our great community.

7. CITIZENS FROM THE FLOOR

Marilyn Swihart stated she was here on behalf of the Imlay City School's Alumni Association and the Historical Museum and asked about dates regarding the rescheduling of the Sesquicentennial event for next year. The Museum will be selling blueberry pies for the event.

8. OLD BUSINESS

A. Sesquicentennial – DDA Director

It was stated that this was part of what DDA Assistant Katrina Morrow had just mentioned in her report as dates and events are being reviewed.

B. Fire Hall Update-Fire Chief

City Manager Craig Horton stated that the Fire Chief is unavailable and has three representatives from the fire department here to answer any questions in his absence. A detailed bid was presented for cement work and DPW Director Ed Priehs is contacting a surveyor to check the elevation of the building as well as pursue a second quote for cement.

C. Police Video Cameras – Police Chief

Police Chief Scott Pike spoke regarding the previous quote approved for the Axon cameras and the package with that company as there were additional fees and costs with that quote in their fine print that made this quote cost more than previously understood. Chief Pike explained that he reviewed two other companies for optimal coverage for body and car cameras and now has a better understanding of the packages offered. He presented a package from Midwest Public Safety LLC for Getac Video Solutions DVR kit with cameras, black box, body worn cameras, with docks, accessories and warranties per the quote presented for \$42,620.00.

MOTION by Davis supported by Sadler to purchase from Midwest Public Safety LLLC the Getac Video Solutions camera system per the quote presented by Police Chief Scott Pike and not to exceed \$42,620.00.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Davis, Sadler, Ramirez, Rowden, Kempf

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. NEW BUSINESS

A. Lapeer County EMS Director Russ Adams – AED Presentation

Lapeer County EMS Director Russ Adams spoke regarding the importance for the availability of an AED device in a polling place such as our city hall. Adams stated that last year he started the P.A.D. (Public Access Defibrillation) program, a nationwide program that makes AED's available to the general public for at risk public venues such as voting precincts. This program helps to make better access to AED's countywide in a hope to increasing life saving efforts. Adams will assign this unit to our building and maintain this device twice a year and offer training for utilization of this unit.

B. Lapeer County EMS Board Seat Opening

Discussion of appointment for the open board seat for the Lapeer County Emergency Medical Service Authority of which we are a founding member and are allowed one member on the board for representation of our city.

MOTION by Davis supported by Sadler to approve the appointment of Ian Kempf as the Imlay City representative on the Lapeer County EMS Authority Board for a term to serve at the pleasure of the Imlay City Commission.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Davis, Sadler, Rowden, Ramirez, Kempf

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

C. City Ordinance Discussion-Attorney Brian Garner

Attorney Brian Garner presented the current ordinance regarding marijuana. Garner also explained the difference between zoning ordinances and regulatory ordinances. Garner suggested that the council authorize his office to create a moratorium on caregiver cultivation of marijuana for medical use to allow that the planning commission and the city commission be able to develop a regulation of the zoning ordinance to regulate it as a caregiver home occupation and then we can work on the ordinance.

MOTION by Davis supported by Rowden to authorize Attorney Brian Garner draft a moratorium as a resolution on caregiver cultivation of marijuana and present this at the next meeting of the council for review.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Ayes: Davis, Rowden, Sadler, Ramirez, Kempf

Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Craig Horton reported that the Splash Pad is moving ahead and plans are to break ground either this week or early next week. The MML did inspect the building roofs and are sending a check for the 150 Bancroft location for the hail damage. A three-phase approach is planned for Old School Park; 1) Parking, 2) Refurbish the basketball court and cleaning and inspecting all other equipment 3) Actual enhancement feature with the area where the house used to be. The sled hill at Lions Park is being prepared and will be ready for this winter. Construction Code letter and zoning is being discussed with Gerry and the increase in requests is the reason that we had Attorney Brian Garner here at the meeting to discuss our options.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Al Ramirez asked the firefighters present if they had any comments or concerns with regards to the fire hall. The firefighters present just asked that the repairs for the issues be fixed as soon as possible so that they could move in as soon as possible.

12. CITIZENS FROM THE FLOOR

Marilyn Swihart announced that the current issue of Michigan History Magazine featured an article from a writer that took a journey up M-53 and highlighted our Imlay City Museum.

Tom Germaine as a planning commission member asked the council about elevation site plans for the fire hall and why they were not adhered to as they are with other projects. Also, as a planning commission member we will be dealing with this marijuana issue soon. He also asked about the warranty on the cameras that the police are requesting.

13. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Davis supported by Sadler to adjourn at 8:22pm.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Next Regular Commission Meeting Date: Thursday, November 5, 2020

Respectfully submitted by: _____
Dawn Sawicki-Franz, Clerk/Treasurer

APPROVED: November 05, 2020