
REGULAR MEETING OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAGINAW, MICHIGAN, HELD MONDAY, MAY 20, 2013, AT 6:30 P.M. IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF CITY HALL.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member O'Neal offered a prayer and led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Branch called the meeting to order. Council Members present: Annie Boensch, Floyd Kloc, Amos O'Neal, Larry Coulouris, Andrew Wendt, and Mayor Gregory Branch - 6. Council Members absent: Norman Braddock, Daniel Fitzpatrick and Mayor Pro Tem Dennis Browning - 3.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Clerk Janet Santos made the following announcements:

- The Frank N. Anderson Splash Park at Celebration Square will open on Saturday, May 25th for the 2013 season.
- The changes to the Weed Abatement Policy effective immediately for local streets only, of cutting the parkways three feet behind the sidewalks, and corner site clearance.
- The public can participate in a forum of the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Proposed Budget now through May 31, 2013 as presented by City Management staff.
- That City Hall will be closed Monday, May 27th in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

Council Members Braddock and Fitzpatrick entered the meeting at 6:32 p.m.

Mayor Branch read and presented a proclamation designating May 25, 2013 as "Theodore Roethke Day." Accepting the proclamation were Joyce Seals and Annie Ransford representing the Friends of Theodore Roethke Committee.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

City Clerk Janet Santos announced the public hearing on the Proposed Budget and Property Tax Millage for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. Mayor Branch called for comments. One person spoke. The Mayor called for comments two more times.

Moved by Council Member Braddock, seconded by Council Member O'Neal to close the public hearing. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.

City Clerk Janet Santos announced the public hearing on the Special Assessment District for a Police and Fire Millage for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. Mayor Branch called for comments three times. No comments were presented.

Moved by Council Member Braddock, seconded by Council Member Kloc to close the public hearing. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.

PERSONAL APPEARANCES

The following persons addressed the Council: Johnny Sanders, Charles Kelley, Arnie Burns, John Rice, Ed Brown, Levante Carrington and Doug Wortley.

REMARKS OF COUNCIL

Remarks were heard from the following Council Members: Coulouris, Wendt, Boensch, Kloc, O'Neal, Fitzpatrick and Mayor Branch.

REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGERManagement Update

City Manager Earley introduced interim Director of Development Bill Ernat and Brian Stadler of Wolgast/Bliss Park Apartments. Mr. Ernat, Mr. Stadler and Ms. Jodi Sager, Property Manager of Bliss Park Apartments, provided information in regards to consent agenda items # 6 and 7.

City Manager Earley said the change in retiree healthcare is part of a plan to keep the City solvent and that it is about our financial condition. He then introduced Director of Employee Services Dennis Jordan who spoke on the retiree healthcare changes, the timing, and benefits.

City Manager Earley introduced Assistant City Manager/CFO Tim Morales. Mr. Morales presented a summary of the budget process and the team effort involving every department and division.

City Manager Earley talked about a meeting at the Governors' Office on Urban Strategies. The meeting involved stakeholders from throughout the state regarding facilitating better communications with the Governor's office.

City Manager Earley introduced City contracted Controller Carl Johnson. Mr. Johnson spoke on the 5-year budget forecast from previous years that showed this year that the City would have had a deficit of \$15-17 million. He stated that Saginaw has done what was supposed to be done. Therefore, is in good financial condition and in the effort to avoid an Emergency Financial Manager situation, Saginaw must keep balancing its budget.

Consent Agenda

1. Approve the May 6, 2013 Committee of the Whole, regular council meeting and closed session minutes and the May 13, 2013 special council meeting minutes.
2. Receive and file Petition 13-01 from Ezekiel Project to be recognized as a nonprofit organization for purposes of obtaining a charitable gaming license.
3. Approve the one year maintenance agreements with I.T.I., Inc. and issue a purchase order in the amount of \$15,745.44 for the maintenance of telephone equipment located at City Hall, the Police Department, the Public Works Building and Wastewater Treatment Plant.
4. Approve the software agreement with BS&A Software and issue a purchase order for \$3,690 for annual software maintenance and support.
5. Approve to receive donations from the Dow Chemical Company Foundation and individual donors in the amount of \$1,350 for supplies for the Riverfront Cleanup

Committee. Further, approve a budget adjustment for FY 2013 to increase the General Fund's – Riverfront Committee Donations Account No. 101-0000-571.67-11

by \$1,350. The increase in revenue will be offset by an increase in the General Fund - Planning and Zoning Division's Riverfront Development Commission Expense Account No. 101-3863-761.80-76 by the same amount.

6. Approve amendments to the Bliss Park Limited Dividend Housing Association Limited Partnership Loan Documents.
7. Approve the second contract amendment to the Bliss Park Limited Dividend Housing Association Limited Partnership Development Agreement.
8. Approve the sale of property at 2282 S. Michigan Avenue to Demetrius Braddock for \$3,900.
9. Approve to increase PO #46695 to Douglass Safety Systems, LLC by \$2,400 for the costs of additional personal protective equipment for the Fire Department.
10. Approve a purchase order to Cusack's Masonry Restoration, Inc. for \$5,725 for the replacement of the exterior doors on the generator at the Police Department.
11. Approve to increase PO #48233 to Beyer Roofing Company, Inc. by \$14,200 and increase PO #48224 to Cusack's Masonry Restoration, Inc. by \$6,300 for additional work required for the roof replacement and masonry repairs at City Hall. Further, approve a budget adjustment for FY 2013 to increase the General Fund – Use of Fund Equity Account No. 101-0000-680.00-00 by \$20,500. This increase will be offset by an increase in the General Fund – Facilities Division's Repairs and Replacement Account No. 101-7575-821.97-20 for the same amount.
12. Adopt a Resolution authorizing the Michael Jeffers Memorial Committee the use of amplifying equipment at the park's rededication event on June 5, 2013 at Michael Jeffers Memorial Park between 4:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.
13. Approve a purchase order to Michigan Meter for \$4,720.76 for two Turbo Water Meters for the Maintenance and Services Division.
14. Approve a purchase order to Bell Equipment, a sole source, for \$15,500 for an Envirosight mainline sewer and manhole inspection camera for the Maintenance and Services Division.
15. Approve a purchase order to Woodland-Kawkawlin Trailers for \$4,600 for two low-bed trailers for the Motor Pool Division.
16. Approve to increase PO #47096 to Ace-Saginaw Paving Company by \$18,000 for hot and cold asphalt to complete street repairs by the Right of Way Division.
17. Approve a purchase order to Marshall Campbell for \$47,863 for 92 Lumecon Ring of Fire LED street light retrofit kits for the Right of Way Division.

18. Approve a purchase order to Marco Group International for \$6,790 for 64,000 pounds of sand blasting media at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.
19. Approve a purchase order for Easi File, a sole source, for \$4,638.67 for two EasiFile Cabinets at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.
20. Approve a purchase order to John Deere Company for \$53,330.76 for a utility tractor and mower attachment for the Water Treatment Division.

Council Action:

Moved by Council Member Braddock, seconded by Council Member O'Neal to approve consent agenda items 1 through 5, 7, and 9 through 20 as presented. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Council Member Fitzpatrick, seconded by Council Member Braddock to approve consent agenda item 6 as presented. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Council Member Braddock, seconded by Council Member O'Neal to approve consent agenda item 8 as presented. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES, AND
APPOINTMENTS OF BOARD AND COMMISSION MEMBERS

Council Member Braddock reported that the School Liaison Committee meets on an as needed basis and the financial contribution have been relieved for both parties.

INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

Moved by Council Member Coulouris, seconded by Council Member Boensch to introduce an ordinance to amend §150.02, "Fees," of Chapter 150, "Building Regulations" of Title XV, "Land Usage," of the City of Saginaw Code of Ordinance, O-1. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried. Mayor Branch announced that the ordinance is laid over under Charter provision.

CONSIDERATION AND PASSING OF ORDINANCES

Moved by Council Member Kloc, seconded by Council Member Boensch to adopt the ordinance to repeal Chapter 99: "Special Events Regulations," and introduce a new Chapter 99: "Special Events Regulation," of Title IX, "General Regulations," of the City of Saginaw Code of Ordinance, O-1. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.

RESOLUTIONS

Moved by Council Member Braddock, seconded by Council Member Fitzpatrick to adopt the resolution recognizing The Ezekiel Project as a nonprofit organization for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Council Member Braddock, seconded by Council Member O'Neal to adopt the resolution adopting the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Budget. Mayor Branch asked the Clerk to conduct a roll call vote.

Ayes: Braddock, Boensch, Kloc, O'Neal
Nays: Wendt, Fitzpatrick, Coulouris, Mayor Branch
Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Browning
Abstain: None

Motion denied.

Moved by Mayor Branch, seconded by Council Member Coulouris to amend the main motion

to include the following:

Recognizing that negotiations with police and fire unions are ongoing, this budget is approved under the following conditions:

1. That on or before June 28, 2013, Council will be presented with a budget adjustment that accommodates negotiated agreements to retain police and fire personnel to at least the complement as of May 20, 2013;
2. That the administration and the police bargaining units will use a mediator, provided at no cost to the City of Saginaw, by the Saginaw County Chamber of Commerce to reach said agreement; and
3. Should the adjustment in section 1 not be presented by June 28, 2013 and barring any additional relevant revenue sources, an automatic budget adjustment will take effect. This adjustment will require:
 - a 15% across-the-board wage cut for all non-union employees
 - imposition of two mandatory furlough days per month for all employees
 - that each two firefighter positions removed from the personnel complement will be matched by the elimination of one general fund position that is not a sworn firefighter or police officer

Mayor Branch asked the Clerk to conduct a roll call vote.

Ayes: Wendt, Fitzpatrick, Coulouris, Mayor Branch

Nays: O'Neal, Braddock, Kloc, Boensch

Absent: Mayor Pro Tem Browning

Abstain: None

Motion failed.

Moved by Mayor Branch, seconded by Council Member Fitzpatrick to amend the amendment to remove the following:

- that each two firefighter positions removed from the personnel complement will be matched by the elimination of one general fund position that is not a sworn firefighter or police officer

8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Council Member Kloc, seconded by Council Member Braddock to schedule a special meeting for Wednesday, May 29, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Moved by Council Member Kloc, seconded by Council Member Wendt to adopt the resolution approving the amount for the Fiscal Year 2013-2014 Public Safety Millage. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Braddock, seconded by Council Member Kloc to adjourn the meeting at 9:44 p.m. 8 ayes, 0 nays, 1 absent. Motion carried.

Janet Santos, CMC/MMC
City Clerk

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