



CITY OF AUBURN HILLS
Regular City Council Meeting
Minutes

August 13, 2018

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor McDaniel at 7:00 p.m.
LOCATION: City Council Chamber, 1827 N. Squirrel Road, Auburn Hills, MI 48326
Present: Mayor McDaniel, Council Members Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, Moniz, and Verbeke
Absent: None
Also Present: City Manager Tanghe, City Attorney Beckerleg, Assistant City Manager Grice, City Clerk Pierce, Police Chief Baker, Lt. Gagnon, Fire Chief Taylor, Assistant Fire Chief Macias, Director of Public Works Melchert, Deputy DPW Director Stahly, Director of Community Development Cohen, City Planner Keenan, Finance Director Schulz, Recreation Director Marzolf, Director of Senior Services Adcock, City Engineer Juidici, Mgr of Public Utilities Michling, Media Communications Specialist Mathes, Management Assistant Intern Benoit

44 Guests

4. APPOINTMENTS AND PRESENTATIONS

4a. Swearing-in Ceremony of Fire Chief Ellen S. Taylor

City Manager Tanghe presented Ms. Ellen S. Taylor as the new Fire Chief for the City of Auburn Hills. Mr. Tanghe shared her credentials, expertise and the process that was followed to ensure the City was hiring the best qualified candidate for the City.

Ms. Taylor stated that she is honored to receive the position and is excited to be working with a fantastic staff and looks forward to continuing a great relationship with the residents that is already established.

City Council members shared their excitement to have Ms. Taylor on staff and look forward to the future in Auburn Hills.

The Mayor recessed the meeting at 7:14 PM.
The Mayor reconvened the meeting at 7:52 PM.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

5a. Regular City Council Minutes – July 23, 2018

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Knight.

RESOLVED: To approve the City Council Minutes of July 23, 2018 as amended.

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz, Verbeke
No: None**

Resolution No. 18.08.111

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Dan Pillsbury shared his concerns with the TIFA funds and the raffle vacation giveaway. Mayor McDaniel clarified that the members of the City Council did not vote to determine the policy around any marketing materials. These decisions were made from the TIFA board and not from Council. Mr. Tanghe stated that the Mayors comments are accurate.

Don Hughes of 3744 Bald Mountain Rd shared his concerns regarding Hawk Woods Nature Center. He contacted DPW with one of his concerns and was pleased with Mr. Melcherts response.

7. CONSENT AGENDA

All items listed are considered to be routine by the City council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.

7a. Board and Commission Minutes

- 7a1. Downtown Development Authority Special Meeting – July 9, 2018
- 7a2. Tax Increment Finance Authority – July 10, 2018
- 7a3. Beautification Advisory Commission – July 18, 2018
- 7a4. Election Commission – July 30, 2018

RESOLVED: To receive and file the Board minutes.

7b. Motion – To approve the Termination of the Easements / Gongos, Inc

RESOLVED: To approve the Termination of the Easements document with respect to the Gongos' property and authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the Termination of Easements document for legal execution of the subject easement vacation.

7d. Motion - To approve the resolution in support of the Giddings Road Improvements

RESOLVED: To approve the Resolution in support of Giddings Road improvements. (Attachment A)

Moved by Verbeke, Seconded by Hammond.

RESOLVED: To approve the Consent Agenda Items 7a, 7b, and 7d.

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz, Verbeke
No: None**

Resolution No. 18.08.112

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

7c. Motion – To approve 2018 HIDTA sub-recipient agreement with Oakland County

Mr. Moniz asked that this item be taken off the Consent Agenda to seek clarification regarding the receipt of any funds from this program. Chief Baker clarified that there is a sharing of forfeitures for those agencies that participate.

Moved by Moniz, Seconded by Verbeke.

RESOLVED: To approve the 2018 HIDTA Agreement between Oakland County and the City of Auburn Hills and authorize the Chief of Police to sign the agreement on behalf of the City.

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz, Verbeke
No: None**

Resolution No. 18.08.113

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

8. OLD BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

9a. Motion – To adopt the Oakland County Hazard Mitigation Plan

Assistant Chief Macias shared the history of this plan and the funding that comes from FEMA for being a part of this plan.

Moved by Hammond, Seconded by Knight.

RESOLVED: To adopt the new Oakland County Hazard Mitigation Plan. (Attachment B)

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz, Verbeke
No: None**

Resolution No. 18.08.114

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

9b. Motion – To purchase of four Thermal Imaging Cameras

Assistant Chief Macias shared the necessity and the bid results of this purchase. He shared that the company selected meets the bid specifications, has a 5 year warranty and received the best results on an 18 point evaluation allowing fire personnel the ability to search quickly when seconds count. Assistant Chief Macias stated that the thermal imaging will help to find hot spots in and after a fire as well as locating victims during a search and rescue attempt. These thermal imaging cameras are hand held. He felt that the greatest return on investment for City funds was on a hand held device vs being on a person. He shared that the old cameras will be used on the ambulances.

Mr. Scott Spearing with Dinges Fire was present. He shared that there is a video online that is available to view to see the functionality of the product.

Moved by Moniz, Seconded by Verbeke.

RESOLVED: To approve the purchase of four (4) Bullard LDX thermal imaging cameras in the amount of \$26,088 from Dinges Fire for the Fire Department.

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz, Verbeke
No: None**

Resolution No. 18.08.115

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

9c. Motion – To purchase Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA), Face Mask, Air Bottles, RIT Packs, Prescription Lens Kits

Assistant Chief Macias presented the need for the new SCBA's and the bid results that were received on these products. During the bid process each vendor gave a basic price and then extra add on items which were calculated to see which company would offer the best pricing. The Douglas Safety Systems manufacture was selected due to best results, a 15 year warranty as well as they are the current product supplier that has been used for the past 20 years. It was discussed that due to liability it would not be wise to sell the remaining equipment.

Two representatives from Douglas Safety Systems were present.

Moved by Burmeister, Seconded by Moniz.

RESOLVED: To approve the purchase of thirty-eight (38) Avon Deltair SCBA's, fifty (50) face masks, seventy six (76) air bottles, four (4) RIT packs, and ten (10) prescription lens kits for \$213,668.72 from Douglas Safety Systems for the Fire Department.

**VOTE: Yes: Burmeister, Hammond, Kittle, Knight, McDaniel, Moniz, Verbeke
No: None**

Resolution No. 18.08.116

Motion Carried (7 - 0)

10. COMMENTS AND MOTIONS FROM COUNCIL

Ms. Verbeke –

- Reported on Election day ballot issues, at no fault of our City Clerk. Shared that she encouraged the City Clerk to reach out to council for suggestions of new election workers.
- Shared her frustrations of dropping off her laptop with the IT department and never receiving a phone call that it was ready.
- Thanked Chief Baker for the positive changes in the department and asked for a brief update on National Night Out. Chief Baker shared that he was pleased with the amount of citizens in attendance and that all the sponsors were very helpful.
- Reminded Council that there has been previous discussion regarding holding a City Council meeting at First and Main. Mr. Tanghe stated that he has that location in mind. Once more residents are living there, it will be scheduled.

Mr. Moniz –

- Asked Chief Baker if the officers carry Narcan and how often it is being used. Chief Baker stated that all patrol units carry it. Narcan is being used, but not nearly as often as other cities.
- Praised the Police Department for the quick apprehension of the bank robbery suspect within 24 hours.
- Shared thanks on behalf of a resident for the quick response to a complaint on Joslyn Road. Mr. Keenan was notified of the issue and it was taken care of within 3 days.
- Stated that his concern with Pontiac rd. Mr. Melchert stated that he will look into it.
- Sought an update on the amphitheater project. Mr. Juidici stated that progress at the amphitheater has had delays due to weather and placement of the DTE utility poles. There is continuous conversations regarding the project and the completion date of November 9, 2018. Mr. Juidici stated that the contractor is aware of his deadline requirements. Regarding the splash pad, the underground drainage has been installed and the concrete stairs are being reviewed and the other fixtures are to be installed shortly.

Ms. Hammond -

- Thanked Officer Brian Miller for the great work that was undertaken with National Night Out.

Mr. Knight –

- Suggested a City Council Golf team to take a Boys and Girls Club activity in September.
- Commented that he is pleased with the project in the downtown area.
- Shared his concern about the park and is thankful that it is being watched by Mr. Juidici.
- Shared his concern for the grass levels on Squirrel Rd. He stated that the grass is longer on the Chrysler side and it looks unkempt. Hopes to review this next year.

Mr. Burmeister

- Shared his pleasure with the 35th Golf outing.

Mayor McDaniel

- Stated that he is very excited to see that the Police Department is taking City Council's strategies to the next level. He shared that there is a new response awareness program that will assist officers when responding to calls that may involve persons with special needs. The program will allow visitors and or residents to provide information about a family member or friend who may be autistic or have a mental health concern. By volunteering this information the officer that might assist in a call will be able to respond appropriately in a time of need. Community Engagement Officer Brian Miller has more details and is the contact person, 248-364-6887.
- Stated that given the circumstances, Election Night went well, City Clerk Laura Pierce was given praise.

11. CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

12. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Tanghe

- Attendance was lower for National Night Out but was still very well done.
- City Staff went on a road show to inform the business of the services offered by the City.
- Shared that he is the only City Manager to have been appointed by L. Brooks Patterson to serve on the Artificial Intelligence and Robotics Task Force. He shared that the purpose of this task force is to get a handle on how the technologies are entering the work place and what the demand and education will be for future careers.

13. ADJOURNMENT

Hearing no objections, the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 8:47PM

Kevin R. McDaniel, Mayor

Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk

ATTACHMENT A

Resolution

Be it resolved that

CONTRACT No. 18-5260, Control Section STU 63000, Job Number 202835A

By and between the

MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

and the

CITY OF AUBURN HILLS

is hereby accepted.

The following Officials are authorized to sign the said contract:

Kevin McDaniel, Mayor

Thomas A. Tanghe, City Manager

Ronald J. Melchert, DPW Director

Moved by: Council Member Verbeke

Supported by: Council Member Hammond

ADOPTED: AYES: 7
NAYES: None
ABSENT: None

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution made and adopted at a regular meeting of the Auburn Hills City Council, on the 13th day of August, 2018.

Signed _____

Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk,

City of Auburn Hills

ATTACHMENT B

Resolution No. 18.08.114

ADOPTION OF THE OAKLAND COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN

WHEREAS, the mission of the City of Auburn Hills includes the charge to protect the health, safety, and general welfare of the people of the City of Auburn Hills; and

WHEREAS, the City of Auburn Hills, Michigan is subject to flooding, tornadoes, winter storms, and other natural, technological, and human hazards; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland County Homeland Security Division and the Oakland County Local Emergency Planning Committee, comprised of representatives from the County, municipalities, and stakeholder organizations, have prepared a recommended Hazard Mitigation Plan that reviews the options to protect people and reduce damage from these hazards; and

WHEREAS, the City of Auburn Hills has participated in the planning process for development of this Plan, providing information specific to local hazard priorities, encouraging public participation, identifying desired hazard mitigation strategies, and reviewing the draft Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Oakland County Homeland Security Division (HSD), with the Oakland County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), has developed the OAKLAND COUNTY HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN (the “Plan”) as an official document of the County and establishing a County Hazard Mitigation Coordinating Committee, pursuant to the Disaster Mitigation Act of 2000 (PL-106-390) and associated regulations (44 CFR 210.6); and

WHEREAS, the Plan has been widely circulated for review by the County’s residents, municipal officials, and state, federal, and local review agencies and has been revised to reflect their concerns; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Auburn Hills and City Council that:

1. The Oakland County Hazard Mitigation Plan (or section(s) of the Plan specific to the affected community) is/are hereby adopted as an official plan of the City of Auburn Hills.
2. The Fire Chief is charged with supervising the implementation of the Plan’s recommendations, as they pertain to the City of Auburn Hills and within the funding limitations as provided by the City of Auburn Hills City Council or other sources.

Passed by the City of Auburn Hills and City Council on August 13, 2018.

Laura M. Pierce, City Clerk

ADOPTED: AYES: 7
 NAYES: None
 ABSENT: None