

**City of Hazel Park
City Council Meeting Minutes: October 9, 2018**

A City of Hazel Park City Council meeting was held on Tuesday, October 9th, 2018 in Council Chambers, 111 E. Nine Mile Rd., Hazel Park. Mayor Webb called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Present: Mayor Webb, Mayor Pro Tem Aubry, Councilmember Sullivan, Councilmember LeCureaux, Councilmember Holland

Absent: None

Also present: City Manager Klobucher, City Attorney Drumm

CALL TO ORDER – 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

CO-10-113-18 Motion to Approve Revised Agenda: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to approve the Agenda as Revised. All in favor. Motion carried.

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Oakland County Commissioner Helaine Zack addressed Council regarding the recent passage of Oakland County’s latest three-year balanced budget. \$500,000 was allotted for school breakfast programs, which are offered in partnership with the United Way and Oakland Schools. Oakland County commissioned a report on the August 7, 2018 Primary Election. \$50,000 was appropriated in the County budget for an anti-bullying program with Oakland Schools. In the first half of 2018, a senior group and four school groups from Hazel Park visited the Detroit Institute of Arts on free tours. A local municipality recently had its water-billing system hacked, raising awareness as to the need for effective cybersecurity measures.

Richard Gage of 425 W. Nine Mile Rd. spoke about the recent Artober Alley Party, which helped the Hazel Park Arts Council raise over \$700 through the sale of adult beverages. Mr. Gage thanked the Hazel Park Department of Public Works, Hazel Park District Library, Hazel Park School District, Hazel Park Creative Arts, Neighborhood Enrichment, and Hazel Park Police Department for their assistance.

DPW Superintendent Tom Jones and Water Superintendent Tim Young addressed Council. Superintendent Jones advised that DPW and the Treasurer’s Office are now selling 95-gallon wheeled garbage cans for \$55.00. Residents should not rake leaves into the streets, as they will clog the sewer system.

Mayor Pro Tem Aubry spoke regarding the Hazel Park Nature Initiative, which is a collaborative effort between the City and Mulberry Hill Wildlife to restore natural

habitats for bats, bees, birds, butterflies and bugs through landscaping and educational initiatives. "Bat Week" will take place during Family Fun Night at the HP Library, with presentations on the eponymous creature. Interested residents should RSVP for Bat Week, which will take place on October 23rd at 6:00 p.m.

Councilmember Holland reminded everyone that the Hazel Park First Responders Appreciation Dinner is scheduled for October 18th from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. at Hazel Park High School, although the event is currently sold out. Trunk-or-Treat will be held at Scout Park on October 27th from 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

City Manager Klobucher advised that the Zombie Walk will be returning to Hazel Park on October 19th at 6:30 p.m., courtesy of the local Girl Scout Troop. The walk begins at City Hall in the courtyard area and proceeds to Woodward Heights Blvd. Attendees should bring two cans of non-perishable foods as part of a food drive. City Manager Klobucher also thanked CityEdge Church for the Trunk-or-Treat event. Moreover, he wished that more residents would hand out candy on Halloween night to help engender a sense of community.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

No one wished to speak.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

1. Resolution Honoring JoAnn Taylor

Mayor Webb presented Resolution #10-18-001 to JoAnn Taylor. City Manager Klobucher read the Resolution into the record.

2. Resolution Honoring Kurtis Kitchen & Bath

Representatives from Kurtis Kitchen & Bath were not present to accept Resolution #10-18-002. The Resolution was postponed until a later date.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve City Council Meeting Minutes 9/11/2018
2. Business License Application for 21630 John R Rd. – Bumblebee Gas & Extraction Supply LLC: Retail sales of compressed gas & safety equipment
3. Business License Application for 410 W. Nine Mile Rd. – Studio Detroit Dance Center
4. Business License Application for 23440 John R Rd. – Michigan Basement Contractors LLC: Sales office for waterproofing & foundation repair
5. Pending Business Licenses (Informational)
6. Invoice Approval List
7. HydroCorp Contract Extension
8. Automobile Theft Prevention Authority Grant w/ Oakland County
9. Approve Alacia Christiansen as City Treasurer

Jesse Robertson of 23353 Hoover spoke before Council regarding Consent Agenda Item #9.

CO-10-114-18 Motion to Approve Consent Agenda Items #1-8: Motion by Holland, second by Sullivan, to approve Consent Agenda Items #1-8. All in favor. Motion carried.

CO-10-115-18 Motion to Approve Consent Agenda Item #9: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to approve Consent Agenda Item #9, following discussion. The results of a roll call vote on the motion were as follows:

Ayes: Councilmember LeCureaux, Councilmember Sullivan, Mayor Pro Tem Aubry, Mayor Webb

Nays: Councilmember Holland

Abstentions: None

Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. Award Bid #2029 to Scodellar Construction, Inc. – Crack Sealing Program

CO-10-116-18 Motion to Award Bid #2029 to Scodellar Construction, Inc. – Crack Sealing Program: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to Award Bid #2029 to Scodellar Construction, Inc. for a crack sealing program on local roads. All In Favor. Motion carried.

2. Amendment to Traffic Control Order #515 Section VIII

CO-10-117-18 Motion to Approve Amendment to Traffic Control Order #515 Section VIII: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Holland, to Approve an Amendment to Traffic Control Order #515 Section VIII. All In Favor. Motion carried.

3. Approve Purchase of Play Equipment for Tuski Park

CO-10-118-18 Motion to Approve Purchase of Play Equipment for Tuski Park: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to Approve Purchase of Play Equipment for Tuski Park. All In Favor. Motion carried.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

1. Reappoint Tom Jones and Tina Caudill to Recreation Advisory Board

CO-10-119-18 Motion to Reappoint Tom Jones and Tina Caudill to Recreation Advisory Board: Motion by Sullivan, second by Aubry, to Reappoint Tom Jones and Tina Caudill to the Recreation Advisory Board. All In Favor. Motion carried.

TABLED ITEMS - None

NEW BUSINESS - None

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS

Police Chief Brian Buchholz advised residents to watch out for Trick-or-Treaters when driving and be on the look out for suspicious candy. The Hope Not Handcuffs program has begun, with someone having already entered the program this past weekend. Lastly, he and the Police Dept. are very excited for the upcoming First Responders Dinner.

Fire Chief Rich Story stated that it is a good idea for Trick-or-Treaters to carry flashlights. Also, the recent Fire Dept. Open House was well-attended despite inclement weather.

Recreation Director Sareen Papakhian informed Council of the Ruck 22 March run/walk event, which raises awareness for Veteran suicide. The event will take place across Hazel Park, Ferndale, and Royal Oak on November 11th. Hazel Park participants will start at Green Acres Park at 10:00 a.m. on the given date.

Superintendent Jones advised that the next section of the Sidewalk Replacement Program will start on October 11th. The John R Rd. resurfacing project has officially been postponed until the Spring of 2019. The stumping of trees will continue throughout winter if weather permits.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney Drumm wished City Attorney Schwartz a speedy recovery.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER

City Manager Klobucher reminded everyone that Michigan's system of municipal finance is fundamentally broken. Hazel Park is moving forward on all fronts. He is glad that Councilmember Sullivan is alright after a serious car accident. City Attorney Drumm was thanked for coming back to cover for City Attorney Schwartz, who is out sick. City Manager Klobucher also thanked Linda Yono for her work on the First Responders Dinner and Mike Jones for the Artober Alley Party. City Treasurer & Finance Director Christiansen was thanked for undertaking extra responsibilities and for her great work. Residents were advised to watch out for pedestrians and not rake leaves into the street.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

CO-10-120-18 Motion to Support Proposal 18-2: Motion by Aubry, second by LeCureaux, to Support Ballot Proposal 18-2, which would establish a non-partisan redistricting commission. All In Favor. Motion carried.

Councilmember Sullivan wished everyone a Happy Halloween. She thanked the Royal Oak Police and Fire Depts. for their quick response to her recent car accident. Her experience highlighted the importance of wearing seat belts.

Councilmember Holland thanked JoAnn Taylor for donating items to the Hazel Park Historical Museum. The recent Hazel Park Creative Arts benefit dinner and the Artober Alley Party were both great events. She thanked Richard Gage for the Historical Museum bicycle racks. The MML Conference session she recently attended regarding municipalities and social media was very informative.

Councilmember LeCureaux wished City Attorney Schwartz a quick recovery. He thanked Recreation Director Papakhian for the Tuski Park playscape plan and thanked those who were involved with the Artober Alley Party. People were reminded not to forget to vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Aubry advised that the League of Women Voters publishes a thorough guide for voters. The MML Conference in Grand Rapids was great. She is grateful that Councilmember Sullivan is safe and hopes that City Attorney Schwartz will get well soon. A happy belated birthday was wished to Councilmember LeCureaux.

Mayor Webb wished his youngest daughter a happy birthday. Hazel Park has been slowly building a successful foundation for years. He hopes City Attorney Schwartz is well and is glad Councilmember Sullivan is ok.

CO-10-121-18 Motion to Enter Executive Session for the Purpose of Pending Litigation: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to enter Executive Session for the purpose of Pending Litigation. All In Favor. Motion carried.

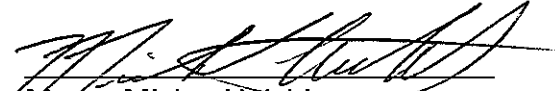
EXECUTIVE SESSION – 8:10 p.m.

CO-10-122-18 Motion to Reenter Open Session: Motion by Aubry, second by Holland, to reenter Open Session at 8:38 p.m. All In Favor. Motion carried.

CO-10-123-18 Motion to Receive and File the Discussions of Executive Session: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Aubry, to receive and file the discussions of Executive Session. All In Favor. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT – 8:39 p.m.

CO-10-124-18 Motion to Adjourn: Motion by Aubry, second by LeCureaux, to Adjourn. All in favor. Motion carried.



Mayor Michael Webb



James Finkley, City Clerk

(The preceding minutes are a synopsis of the City Council meeting and do not represent a verbatim record).