

**City of Hazel Park  
City Council Meeting Minutes: January 14, 2020**

A City of Hazel Park Regular City Council meeting was held on Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2020 in Council Chambers, 111 E. Nine Mile Rd., Hazel Park, MI 48030. Mayor Webb called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Absent: None

Also present: City Manager Klobucher, City Attorney Schwartz

**CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**CO-01-001-20 Motion to Approve Agenda as Revised:** Motion by Sullivan, second by LeCureaux, to approve the Agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

1. Eric Schwab - HPPD Civilian Award

Chief Buchholz presented Eric Schwab with a Civilian Award. for his quick treatment of a collapsed hockey player at the Hazel Park Ice Arena.

City Manager Klobucher and Mayor Webb read and presented Police Chief Brian Buchholz with a Certificate of Outstanding Service for his dedication, leadership, and commitment to the people of Hazel Park.

**CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

County Commissioner Helaine Zack spoke regarding Radon Action Month, the centennial celebration of women’s voting rights, and the upgrading of Oakland County’s radio communication system.

Councilmember LeCureaux advised about the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Bowling Fundraiser on February 15<sup>th</sup> at 4:30 p.m. at Madison Park Bowl. The event is put on by the Hazel Park Fire Dept. for charity purposes.

Councilmember McFall advised that, in honor of Martin Luther King Day, non-perishable food items can be dropped off at the Hazel Park Memorial District Library this week for CityEdge Church.

## **PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

Eddie Sitto spoke regarding commercial marihuana facilities.

Thomas Matayjasik spoke regarding commercial marihuana facilities.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approve City Council Meeting Minutes 12/10/2019, 12/26/2019 & 12/30/2019
2. Approve Business License for 20721 Dequindre: Citizens Tax Service & Advisors
3. Approve Business License for 20903 Dequindre: Wolverine Electric Co.
4. Pending Business Licenses (Informational)
5. Invoice Approval List
6. Approve Resolution #01-001-20: Execution of Documents
7. Approve Res. #01-002-20: Allowance of Residents to Protest Property Taxes in Writing
8. Approve Resolution #01-003-20: Poverty Exemption Guidelines
9. Approve Res. #01-004-20: Intent to Continue Levy of Special Millage for Advertising
10. Approve 2020 Public Meetings Calendar
11. Amendments and Recensions to Traffic Control Order #513
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13. Disposition of Vacant Lots
14. Approve Letter of Understanding with Supervisors Union

**CO-01-002-20 Motion to Request a Report from the City detailing how the revenue from Special Millage for Advertising is expended:** Motion by Aubry, second by Sullivan, to request a report on how the advertising millage is used. Motion carried.

**CO-01-003-20 Motion to Approve Consent Agenda, with Item #13 subject to consultation with the City Attorney:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Aubry, to Approve the Consent Agenda, following discussion. All in favor. Motion carried.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

1. 2020 Parks & Recreation Master Plan

Public Hearing was opened at 7:31 p.m. With no one wishing to speak, Public Hearing was closed at 7:32 p.m.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

1. Approve Resolution #01-005-20: Adoption of Parks & Recreation Master Plan

Recreation Director Sareen Papakhian introduced Sarah Traxler and Wendy Caldwell of McKenna, who spoke at length and displayed a presentation regarding the Park & Recreation Master Plan for the City of Hazel Park.

**CO-01-004-20 Motion to approve Resolution #01-005-20, adoption of the Parks & Recreation Master Plan pending corrections:** Motion by Aubry, second by McFall, to

approve the Parks & Recreation Master Plan, following discussion. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### **BOARDS & COMMISSIONS - None**

#### **TABLED ITEMS - None**

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

Councilmember Aubry requested that the Hazel Park Historical Commission advise Council as to what activities are planned for the Oakland County Bicentennial Celebration.

Mayor Webb asked for updates on the proposed developments at St. Mary Magdalen Parish and at the former CVS building on John R Rd.

City Manager Klobucher advised that a written proposal update is expected from the owners of the site of Landmark Community Church.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS**

Dept. of Public Works Superintendent Tom Jones advised that the DPW will have a dumpster onsite for yard waste collection starting January 15<sup>th</sup>. The status of the Nine Mile Rd. project was discussed, as was the continuation of the north John R Rd. project in the spring. With the new concrete, sand will be used on Nine Mile Rd. this winter in lieu of salt.

Police Chief Buchholz advised residents to call when events warrant, which allows police response times to be prompt. He also urged residents not to leave valuables in unlocked cars and to utilize crosswalks.

Fire Chief Rich Story advised Council that in 2019 the Hazel Park Fire Dept. responded to 3189 calls for service, of which 681 were fires and 2508 were medical runs. At present the Fire Dept. is fully staffed.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY ATTORNEY - None**

#### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER**

City Manager Klobucher mentioned the 18<sup>th</sup> anniversary of House of Shamrocks, which recently did a substantial renovation to its kitchen. He liked that the Parks & Recreation Master Plan referred to Hazel Park as "the resilient city," which is a moniker that he feels is highly appropriate.

#### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL**

Councilmember Aubry announced that the Hazel Park Arts Council has been accepted by the Detroit Institute of Art's "Inside Out" program, which will place four temporary art installations throughout Hazel Park.

Councilmember LeCureaux commended the comprehensiveness of the Parks & Recreation Master Plan. He also advised drivers to watch out for kids walking in the street due to sidewalks that have not been shoveled.

Councilmember McFall reminded everyone that non-perishable food items are being accepted until January 18<sup>th</sup> at the library for the CityEdge Church food pantry.

Mayor Pro Tem Sullivan is excited to see the progress of our parks, which are one of the city's most valuable resources. She commended the work of the DPW on keeping drains clear during recent heavy precipitation.

Mayor Webb hopes to continue the city's progress in 2020, including through the Parks & Recreation Master Plan.

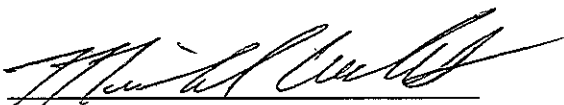
City Manager Klobucher advised that Recreation Director Papakhian's father, Victor Papakhian, was part of a group that once bailed Dr. Martin Luther King out of jail in the deep south.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**


**CO-01-005-20 Motion to enter Executive Session for the purpose of Pending Litigation:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to enter Executive Session at 8:41 p.m. for the purpose of Pending Litigation. All in favor. Motion carried.

#### **ADJOURNMENT – 9:00 p.m.**

**CO-01-006-20 Motion to close Executive Session and Adjourn the meeting:** Motion by Sullivan, second by McFall, to reenter Open Session and Adjourn. All in favor. Motion carried.



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Mayor Michael Webb



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James Finkley, City Clerk

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