

**City of Hazel Park  
City Council Meeting Minutes: February 12, 2019**

A City of Hazel Park City Council meeting was held on Tuesday, February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 in the City Council Chambers, 111 E. Nine Mile Rd., Hazel Park. Mayor Webb called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

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

Absent: None

Also present: City Manager Klobucher, City Attorney Schwartz

**CALL TO ORDER – 7:00 p.m.**

**ROLL CALL**

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**CO-02-012-19 Motion to Amend Agenda to put Special Presentations ahead of Civic Announcements & Public Discussion:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Holland, to Amend the Agenda to place Special Presentations ahead of Civic Announcements & Public Discussion. All in favor. Motion carried.

**CO-02-013-19 Motion to Approve Agenda:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Holland, to approve the Agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS**

1. HPPD Certificates of Recognition

Police Chief Buchholz presented awards to Brian Mix of the Mobile Communication Support Unit for dissuading a potentially suicidal individual from leaping from an I-75 overpass. Chief Buchholz also presented an award to Ed & Ryan Kilburn for their assistance in providing surveillance footage that proved instrumental in the investigation of a homicide.

2. Mayor Webb – U.S. Census

Mayor Webb and City Manager Klobucher advised that the U.S. Census is vitally important to the City of Hazel Park, as it affects revenue sharing from the State and Federal levels of government. Moreover, the U.S. Census Bureau is looking for individuals to help publicize the importance of completing and returning the Census.

## **CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS**

County Commissioner Helaine Zack advised that the Census impacts County funding for localities. In order for residents to obtain a waiver on payment of property taxes until after April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019, notification must be made to the City Treasurer by February 15<sup>th</sup>. Oakland County summer jobs and internships are now available. A multitude of trainings are available through Oakland County's Michigan State University Extension. The County is starting a subcommittee on affordable housing. Policies regarding the County's professional service contracts are under review.

Councilmember Holland advised that the Hazel Park Historical Museum will be open on Thursday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Additionally, in conjunction with Hazel Park Creative Arts, Councilmember Holland announced a "Winter/Spring Photography Contest" open to the entire community, with a submission deadline of March 31<sup>st</sup>.

Mayor Pro Tem Aubry announced that the 2019 Hazel Park Art Fair will be held on the 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> of August, with applications now open for artists. The Arts Council meets at Color & Ink Studio (20919 John R Rd.) on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m.

City Manager Klobucher advised that the Hazel Park Fire Department is recruiting members for the Community Emergency Response Team.

## **PUBLIC DISCUSSION**

Jesse Robertson of 23353 Hoover Ave. spoke before Council regarding trash pickup.

Chris Vanassche of 125 W. Hayes Ave. spoke before Council regarding accidental damage to a window in his home by AIG Developments.

Adam Gardin of 28190 Tavistock Trl., Southfield, President of AIG Developments, spoke before Council regarding the damaged window at 125 W. Hayes Ave. He also spoke on two properties owned by AIG Developments, 134 E. Mapledale Ave. & 1045 E. Jarvis Ave.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approve City Council Meeting Minutes 1/8/2019
2. Approve Public Hearing & Study Session Minutes 1/22/2019
3. Approve Study Session Minutes 2/5/2019
4. Approve Business License Application for 624 E. Nine Mile Rd. – Neu Urgent Care
5. Pending Business Licenses (Informational – Receive & File)
6. Invoice Approval List
7. Agreement for Participation w/ Oakland Co. Sheriff's Office SWAT Team
8. Offer to Purchase Vacant Lot next to 544 E. Bernhard (25-36-352-006)

**CO-02-014-19 Motion to Approve Consent Agenda:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to Approve the Consent Agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

1. Water Service Tap Fees, Sewer Privilege Fees & Water Service Disconnect Fees

Water Dept. Superintendent Tim Young addressed Council regarding Administrative Report #1.

**CO-02-015-19 Motion to Approve Water Service Tap Fees, Sewer Privilege Fees & Water Service Disconnect Fees:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Aubry, to Approve Water Service Tap Fees, Sewer Privilege Fees & Water Service Disconnect Fees. All in favor. Motion carried.

2. Contract w/ Build Institute

April Boyle, Founder and Executive Director of Build Institute, spoke before Council on behalf of the organization.

**CO-02-016-19 Motion to Approve Contract w/ Build Institute with an initial payment of \$10,000:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to Approve Contract w/ Build Institute with an initial payment of \$10,000. All in favor. Motion carried.

3. Appoint Tanya Bowers as Magistrate for Hazel Park Division of 43<sup>rd</sup> District Court

**CO-02-017-19 Motion to Appoint Tanya Bowers as Magistrate for Hazel Park Division of 43<sup>rd</sup> District Court:** Motion by Aubry, second by LeCureaux, to Appoint Tanya Bowers as Magistrate for Hazel Park Division of 43<sup>rd</sup> District Court. All in favor. Motion carried.

4. Resolution #02-005-19: Bond Issuance for Road Improvements

**CO-02-018-19 Motion to Approve Resolution #02-005-19 - Bond Issuance for Road Improvements:** Motion by Sullivan, second by Holland, to approve Resolution #02-005-19 – Bond Issuance for Road Improvements. All in favor. Motion carried.

5. Resolution #02-006-19: Extend Pending Medical Marihuana Applications

**CO-02-019-19 Motion to Approve Resolution #02-006-19 – Extend Pending Medical Marihuana Application:** Motion by Aubry, second by Holland, to approve Resolution #02-006-19 – Extend Medical Marihuana Applications, following discussion. All in favor. Motion carried.

## **BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**

1. Appointments to Hazel Park Youth Assistance

**CO-02-020-19 Motion to Appoint Sharon Barton, Amy Dressler, Nicole Henisse & Faith LaFramboise to Hazel Park Youth Assistance:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Aubry, to Appoint Sharon Barton, Amy Dressler, Nicole Henisse & Faith LaFramboise to Hazel Park Youth Assistance. All in favor. Motion carried.

2. Appointments to Recreation Advisory Board

**CO-02-021-19 Motion to Appoint Melissa Baldwin & Jared Gajos to the Recreation Advisory Board:** Motion by Sullivan, second by LeCureaux, to Appoint Melissa Baldwin & Jared Gajos to the Recreation Advisory Board. All in favor. Motion carried.

3. Appointment to Planning Commission

**CO-02-022-19 Motion to Appoint Barbara Winter to the Planning Commission:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to make Appoint Barbara Winter to the Planning Commission. All in favor. Motion carried.

4. Appointment to Arts Council

**CO-02-023-19 Motion to Appoint Jeffrey Sanchez to the Arts Council:** Motion by Aubry, second by LeCureaux, to Appoint Jeffrey Sanchez to the Arts Council. All in favor. Motion carried.

**TABLED ITEMS**

**CO-02-024-19 Motion to Receive & File Report from Landmark Community Church Regarding Listing Agreement & Two Market Analyses:** Motion by Aubry, second by Holland, to Receive & File the report from Landmark Community Church regarding the Listing Agreement and two Market Analyses. All in favor. Motion carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Councilmember Holland raised the issue of audio quality in the Council Chambers and via televised broadcast. She expressed interest in finding methods to promote composting.

**CO-02-025-19 Motion to Reaffirm Previous Decision to Demolish 134 E. Mapledale Ave.:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Sullivan, to reaffirm the previous decision to Demolish 134 E. Mapledale Ave. All in favor. Motion carried.

**CO-02-026-19 Motion to Order Emergency Demolition of 1045 E. Jarvis Ave. within 21 Days:** Motion by Holland, second by Aubry, to Order Emergency Demolition of 1045 E. Jarvis Ave. within 21 days. All in favor. Motion carried.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS**

Dept. of Public Works Superintendent Jones advised that the past two weeks have seen a significant drop in the number of complaints and issues related to garbage collection.

Police Chief Buchholz addressed Councilmember LeCureaux's concern about the volume of people walking in primary roadways as of late.

**COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY ATTORNEY - None**

## COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER

Michigan's system of municipal finance is fundamentally broken. The year ahead will see John R Rd. and Nine Mile Rd. rebuilt, while the City's Master Plan will also be redone. The new construction at Scout Park is seeking community involvement. He also wished a very happy Valentine's Day to his wife and expressed how much he appreciates her.

## COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL

Councilmember Holland advised residents that the Master Plan and Parks Plan are opportunities for the community to say what it wants and hopes for. Dollar Skate Days are February 20<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> from noon to 3:00 p.m. at the Viking Ice Arena. She extended gratitude to former U.S. Congressman John Dingell and condolences to his family. Lastly, a happy Valentine's Day was wished to all.

Councilmember Sullivan thanked Pastor Stanley Scott for performing the invocation. "Moving forward" is her motto for the year and, moreover, is representative of the Hazel Park as a whole. Love should be spread not only on Valentine's Day, but all the time.

Councilmember LeCureaux thanked all members of Hazel Park's Boards and Commissions, without whom the city would come to a halt. Residents were reminded to walk on the sidewalk (in lieu of the street) and shovel snow in order to facilitate said means of travel.

Mayor Pro Tem Aubry is happy to see so many people interested in Boards and Commissions, though more volunteers are still needed. Sidewalks should be shoveled not only for the sake of one's neighbors, but also for postal carriers. With inclement weather on the way, people should drive safely and not leave running cars unattended.

Mayor Webb wished a happy Valentine's Day and birthday to his wife. The Fire Dept. bowling event is Saturday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at Madison Park Bowl. It is nice to see a new renaissance in Hazel Park, with people working together to move forward despite disagreements. He thanked the Police Dept. for supporting their volunteers.

## EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

## ADJOURNMENT – 8:32 p.m.

**CO-02-027-19 Motion to Adjourn:** Motion by LeCureaux, second by Aubry, 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).