

City of Hazel Park
City Council Meeting Minutes: June 26, 2018

A City of Hazel Park City Council meeting was held on Tuesday, June 26th, 2018 in Council Chambers, 111 E. Nine Mile Rd., Hazel Park. Mayor Webb called the meeting to order at 6:35 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, City Attorney Schwartz

CALL TO ORDER – 6:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL

INVOCATION / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

CO-06-084-18 Motion to Approve Agenda: Motion by Aubry, second by LeCureaux, to approve the Agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.

CIVIC ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mindy Domke of Ferndale Friends spoke about the upcoming City Guide.

PUBLIC DISCUSSION

David Rudoj spoke regarding Medical Marihuana licensing.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

1. Message from City Attorney Drumm

Having been with the City of Hazel Park for 23 years, City Attorney Drumm stated that when she started her daughter was only one year old. That daughter is now 24 and is embarking on a new career in the state of Washington. During City Attorney Drumm's tenure, many new programs have been implemented on a shoestring budget; between Administration, Council, and the residents, it has all been successful. The most difficult thing she has had to do is to tell City Manager Klobucher that she is retiring, although she will continue to assist Hazel Park. Her parents told her never to leave a place until it was better than she found it. She presented individualized gifts to various municipal employees.

City Manager Klobucher presented City Attorney Drumm with a bouquet and elaborated how she has been his right-hand person through two decades of challenges. She is owed a great debt of gratitude by the City of Hazel Park.

2. Resolution for LEGO Team

City Manager Klobucher read into record a resolution honoring the United Oaks First Lego League Team. Director of Public Works DuBerg, an advisor to the team, spoke glowingly of their accomplishments and how well they represent the Hazel Park School District.

On a related note, Mayor Webb noted the presence of Board Members Chuck and Sue Hemple, as well as Superintendent Dr. Amy Kruppe.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approve City Council Meeting Minutes 6/12/2018
2. Pending Business Licenses (Informational)
3. Invoice Approval List
4. Fiscal Year 2018 Final Budget Amendments

CO-06-085-18 Motion to Approve Consent Agenda: Motion by LeCureaux, second by Aubry, to approve the Consent Agenda. All in favor. Motion carried.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS - None

BOARDS & COMMISSIONS - None

TABLED ITEMS - None

NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Pro Tem Aubry spoke regarding voluntary posting of fireworks laws at places where they are sold.

Mayor Webb recognized the volunteer efforts of HPPD Officers Grigsby, Williams, Porter, Conz and Fragnoli, who escorted children with physical and mental disabilities around the Detroit Zoo.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM DEPARTMENT HEADS

Fire Chief Story advised that fireworks should be used with caution by adult, non-inebriated individuals in an open area. Additionally, the Fire Dept. will go to residences to address complaints regarding fire-pits.

Director of Public Works DuBerg thanked Council and City Manager Klobucher for their resolution to the Lego League Team. He is also considering reaching out to the schools about water conservation and recycling.

Officer Hebert spoke on the topic of fireworks safety. Fireworks cannot be used in public areas and noise ordinances will still be enforced. Councilmember Sullivan added that there will be no fireworks at the raceway this year.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY ATTORNEY

City Attorney Schwartz wished City Attorney Drumm the best on her retirement. Moreover, she thanked her for providing mentorship and assistance.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY MANAGER

City Manager Klobucher suggested common sense and courtesy to one's neighbors in relation to the use of fireworks, especially airborne projectiles that will land in neighboring yards. He also thanked City Attorney Drumm, who has been a historic part of the City's Administration. The best decision he ever made was bringing her in-house.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM MAYOR AND COUNCIL

Councilmember Sullivan thanked everyone who applied for Medical Marijuana licensure. She congratulated City Attorney Drumm and thanked her. Additionally, she stated that June 26th, 2018 is the third anniversary of marriage equality, spurred in large part by Hazel Park residents April DeBoer and Jayne Rowse. July 4th is the primary holiday where pets go missing, so owners are encouraged to be careful and license their animals.

Councilmember Holland stated how she has spent a significant amount of time on Medical Marijuana licensure. She stressed the need for everyone to be patient. She also spoke regarding the STEAM program (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Math), which came to Hazel Park Schools a few years ago. The Hazel Park Historical Museum (45 E. Pearl) is open Sunday, June 30th from noon to 4:00 p.m. She thanked City Attorney Drumm for her many years of service and for leaving Hazel Park in a much better place than she found it.

Councilmember LeCureaux congratulated the United Oaks Lego Team and the Hazel Park High School Softball Team, the latter of whom won the district title. To City Attorney Drumm, he stated how she will be greatly missed, though he is so happy for her.

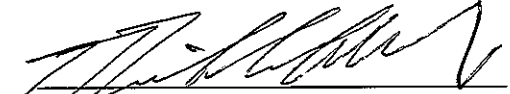
Mayor Pro Tem Aubry spoke to the countless hours spent on Medical Marijuana licensure. She advised residents to be considerate of veterans and pets when using fireworks. On August 25th-26th the Hazel Park Art Fair will be at Green Acres Park.

Mayor Webb discussed reading a voluminous amount of material pertaining to Medical Marijuana. He praised Hazel Park for often setting policy for other communities to follow. City Attorney Drumm, whom he has known since 1996, has helped to create many of those policies. He thanked her for 23 years of hard work.

EXECUTIVE SESSION - None

ADJOURNMENT – 7:40 p.m.

CO-06-086-18 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).