

City of Davison
City Council Meeting
November 9, 2009
7:30 PM
City Council Chambers

Present: Mayor Fred Fortner, Keith Flewelling, Don Csutoras, Tim Bishop, Jim Hershberger, Ron Emery and Joy Murray

Staff: Police Chief Bill Brandon, Clerk Andrea Schroeder, DPW Director Brian Klaassen, City Treasurer Cindy VanMegroet, and Community Development Director Colleen Hackney

Others: 56 General public

CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Fortner called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

SWEARING IN OF NEW COUNCIL MEMBERS

Clerk Andrea Schroeder conducted the swearing in of the new Council members David Martin, Matthew Judd and Roger Lutze.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Many public comments made in regards to the water and sewer rate study. A sheet of questions was given to the council to be answered.

Comments made in regards to how the Mayor moved the swearing in of the new council members without a motion to alter the agenda.

APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA

MOTION 173-09 APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Flewelling, and seconded by Mr. Emery to approve the agenda with the addition of Election of New Mayor Pro-Tem as Letter C under new business, also the addition of a Public Thank You presentation by Joy Murray after Communications to the Council for November 9, 2009. Motion carried.

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APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Receive DDA Minutes October 7, 2009 - Draft (att.)
Receive DDA Special Minutes October 21, 2009 - Draft (att.)
Receive Planning Commission Minutes September 8, 2009 - Draft (att.)
Receive Planning Commission Minutes October 13, 2009 - Draft (att.)
Receive Waiver of Fee Request – Demolition \$50 - Removal of Canopy (Chase Bank) (att.)
Receive Waiver of Fee Request – Handicap Ramp \$50 - Knights of Columbus (att.)
Receive Street Closing Application – DDA Downtown Christmas & Parade 12/05/09 (att.)

MOTION 174-09 APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Flewelling, and seconded by Mr. Csutoras to amend the consent agenda by removing letter F. Waiver of Fee for Handicap Ramp and place it as Letter D. under New Business. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOTION 175-09 APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 26, 2009 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Motion by Mr. Csutoras, and seconded by Ms. Murray to approve the October 26, 2009 Regular Meeting Minutes as presented. Motion carried.

BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT

MOTION 176-09 BILLS PRESENTED FOR PAYMENT

Motion by Mr. Hershberger, and seconded by Mr. Flewelling to approve bills for payment in the amount of \$449,470.55 as presented. Motion carried.

COMMUNICATION TO THE COUNCIL

JOY MURRAY'S FAIRWELL

Ms. Murray gave a brief thank you to her family, employees, and the community for the support during her years of services as a council member.

APPOINTED OFFICERS REPORT

Ms. Hackney presented the Monthly Permits, Inspections and Zoning Violation Report for October, 2009.

Chief Brandon presented the Monthly Police Report for October, 2009.

Ms. VanMegroet presented the Monthly Revenue & Expenditure for October.

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CITY MANAGER REPORT

Mr. Martin gave the final figures from Plunkett and Cooney. The police will be teaching TEAM to our second and fourth graders at Davison Schools. Our employee appreciation luncheon will be held on Friday December 18, 2009. The City videos are now on our website. Snow removal will need to be addressed at a future Council Meeting. MML training for elected officials is scheduled for Thursday November 19, please contact Dale by November 10, to sign up.

COUNCIL COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Hershberger: The building committee met and more information will be presented in the near future.

Mr. Csutoras: Planning Commission meets tomorrow November 10, 2009.

Mayor: Small Cities met and Mayor Dayne Walling was the speaker.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

MOTION 177-09 RESOLUTION 2009-26 (WATER AND SEWER RATE)

Motion by Mr. Flewelling, and seconded by Mr. Csutoras to adopt resolution 2009-26. Motion denied. Emery, Hershberger, Csutoras, Murray and Mayor no.

MOTION 178-09 RECONSIDER RESOLUTION 2009-06 (WATER AND SEWER RATE)

Motion by Mr. Emery, and seconded by Mr. Flewelling to reconsider Resolution 2009-06 Water and Sewer Rate Study at the November 23, 2009 Council Meeting. Motion carried. Flewelling and Csutoras no.

Mr. Flewelling requested a two minute recess.

ANY ITEM REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION 179-09 RESOLUTION 2009-27 EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE COMPACT

Motion by Mr. Emery, and seconded by Mr. Bishop to adopt Resolution 2009-27. Motion carried.

MOTION 180-09 2009 WINTER TAX SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS

Motion by Mr. Emery, and seconded by Mr. Csutoras to approve the 2009 Winter Tax Special Assessments as presented. Motion carried.

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MOTION 181-09 MAYOR PRO-TEM

Motion by Mr. Emery, and seconded by Mr. Flewelling to appoint Tim Bishop as Mayor Pro-Tem. Motion carried. Mayor no.

MOTION 182-09 WAIVER OF FEE HANDICAP RAMP \$50 KNIGHT OF COLUMBUS

Motion by Mr. Flewelling, and seconded by Mr. Bishop to waive the \$50 fee for handicap ramp construction. Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENTS NOT INCLUDED ON THE AGENDA

Public comments made in regards to the economic hard times and how fees are increasing.

Comment made in regards to snow removal ordinance and possible changes to it.

Comment made that the Council agenda is hard to retrieve on-line at times.

Many public comments of appreciation to Joy Murray, Keith Flewelling and Ron Emery for their years of service and dedication to the City of Davison.

Remarks made that all residents should have nice clean sidewalks in the winter. Clean sidewalks are very important to everyone in the community and each homeowner should be responsible.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mr. Emery gave a public thank you to the City residents, employees and councils.

Mr. Keith Flewelling also gave a public thank you to be placed on record. (see attached)

Mayor thanked the outgoing council members.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

Mayor Fred "Mac" Fortner

City Clerk Andrea L. Schroeder

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