

CITY OF WAYLAND, MI
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
JANUARY 4, 2010
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

Mayor Bala opened the meeting at 7:00 PM.

1. PRELIMINARY

1.1 Call to Order and Welcome by Mayor Bala

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

1.3 Roll Call: Mayor Bala & Council Members Patrick, Hamilton, Hudson, Antel, Kobish & Maichele

Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Chris Yonker, Deputy City Manager/Finance Director Bhama Cairns, City Clerk Michelle Herman, County Commissioner Don Black, Char Weick, and Julie Makarewicz.

1.4 Excuse absent Council members: Trent Podskalan.

1.5 Approval of Meeting Agenda: A motion by Council Member Patrick, seconded by Council Member Hudson to approve the meeting agenda.

Passed unanimously.

2. CEREMONIAL ITEMS: None

3. ROUTINE BUSINESS ITEMS

3.1 Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting held December 21, 2009.

3.2 Regular Invoice Register dated 1/05/2010 totaling \$6,997.66.

3.3 Recurring Invoice Register dated 12/30/09 totaling \$32,687.04.

3.4 Bond Invoice Register dated 12/30/2009 totaling \$ None.

A motion made by Councilmember Hamilton, seconded by Councilmember Patrick to approve the routine agenda items.

Passed unanimously.

4. BRIEF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: County Commissioner Don Black provided the City Council an update on the new Allegan County Jail Project and the County Budget.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS: None

6. OLD BUSINESS: None

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

7.1 Fiscal Year (FY) 2008/2009 Annual Audit Report Presentation. A motion by Councilmember Hamilton, seconded by Councilmember Antel to discuss and review the Audit Report prepared by Siegfried Crandall, PC representative Mr. Daniel L. Veldhuizen, CPA.

According to Dan Veldhuizen of Siegfried Crandall, PC, the City's General Fund has increased over the last two years from \$37,000 to over \$539,000, and the economic situation in Wayland is improving substantially. "The funds are healthy," he reported. "Probably more so than I've seen in a long time."

Mr. Veldhuizen also stated Enterprise Funds like Sewer and Water were back to "a positive cash flow," for the first time in several years.

The only deficiency the auditors found, according to Mr. Veldhuizen, was the tardiness in bank reconciliations, which are confirmations that funds expended by the city are available in the Fund Balance. Because of the City's Finance Director position being vacant for several months in 2008, bank reconciliations were behind.

Passed unanimously.

8. **BOARD AND COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS:** None Scheduled.

9. **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

9.1 **Announcements/Reports**

- **City Manager** - City Manager Yonker reported five (5) reservations for the Michigan Main Street Meeting in Portland. Mr. Yonker needs all reservations in by Thursday if anyone else wishes to attend.

City Clerk – City Clerk Herman reported the Pacific Pride Fuel Management System rollout is completed

Finance Director – Finance Director Cairns mentioned she is closely watching the City's debt.

- **WUHS Student Representative** - None.
- **Mayor & Councilmember Comments.**

Councilmember Antel thanked Bhama for getting City's finances up to speed.

Councilmember Hudson asked if the City might have a DNR contact to obtain snow "Out of Service snow grooming equipment.

Councilmember Patrick asked if Sign Ordinance Violation Letters were sent out. Mr. Patrick also asked if there is a need to bring back the consultant that provided the City's Water and Sewer study in 2008. Mr. Patrick mentioned the possibility of revisiting the Snowmobile Policy to allow snowmobiles in the downtown.

Mayor Bala asked the Citizen of the Year Committee to meet briefly after the meeting.

9.2 Written Communications Transmitted with Meeting Packet: None

10. EXTENDED PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

- 11. ADJOURNMENT:** With no further business before the Council, Mayor Bala adjourned the meeting at 8:11 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Herman, City Clerk

Tim Bala, Mayor