

CITY OF WAYLAND, MI
CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
OCTOBER 5, 2009
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, Hudson, Hamilton, Antel, Kobish & Maichele

Absent: None

Others Present: City Manager Chris Yonker, Deputy City Manager/Finance Director Bhama Cairns, City Clerk Michelle Herman, Trent Podskalan, Student Representative for Wayland Union High School, Fire Chief Joe Miller, County Commissioner Don Black and Robert Komdeur

1.4 Excuse Absent Council members: None

1.5 Approval of Meeting Agenda: A motion by Councilmember Patrick, seconded by Councilmember Hamilton 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 September 8, 2009

3.2 Regular Invoice Register dated 9/17/2009 totaling \$62,688.40

3.3 Recurring Invoice Register dated 9/17/2009 totaling \$5,609.11

3.4 Bond Invoice Register dated 9/17/2009 totaling \$118,893.71

3.5 Semi-Annual Payment to A & R and the DDA dated 9/16/2009 totaling \$258,958.80

A motion made by Councilmember Maichele, seconded by Councilmember Antel to approve the routine business items.

Passed unanimously.

4. BRIEF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: Citizen Robert Komdeur residing at 647 W. Superior, asked about the status of the gas line repairs that needed to be finalized from the West Superior Street Project. City Manager Yonker will check into this matter further with both the Gas Company and the Contractor.

County Commissioner Don Black indicated we may have Sara Taylor representing Allegan 911 stopping in at our meeting yet tonight, to review the 911 Millage Renewal on the November 3, 2009 ballot.

5. **PUBLIC HEARINGS:** None

6. **OLD BUSINESS:** None

7. **NEW BUSINESS**

7.1 **Discussion: Observation, Reactions and Feedback Re: City Booth at the Wayland Expo.**

City Manager Yonker was pleased with the traffic at the City's booth Saturday.

Mayor Bala mentioned the positive comments on the new look of West Superior Street.

Council Member Kobish had several residents ask about additional Parks for the City.

Council Member Patrick suggested a more open booth space next year. Mr. Patrick also had several comments about additional City Park facilities. He indicated he was very impressed with City Manager Yonker taking the opportunity to meet and greet the businesses in attendance at the Expo.

Council Member Antel also would like to see a more approachable set-up with the booth next time. Ms. Antel suggested a "name the Park" contest to get residents to come to the booth next year.

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

9. **REPORTS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

9.1 **Announcements/Reports**

- **City Manager** - City Manager Yonker provided Council with a brief update regarding the West Superior Project. It was determined the scuff's on the street light posts occurred in transit to Wayland.

Mr. Yonker reviewed SB 245 regarding Revenue Sharing cuts being looked at by the Senate. Mr. Yonker reported the cut to the City of Wayland is estimated to be another \$41,000.

Mr. Yonker reminded the Council about the Michigan Main Street training sessions available to the participants:

October 15: Niles Wonderland Theater
402 N. Front St., Niles MI 49120

October 21: Manistee City Hall
70 Maple Street, Manistee MI 49660-0358

Mr. Yonker reviewed the Michigan Energy Efficiency & Conservation Block Grant (EECBG) documents with the Council. The grant applications are due October 22, 2009.

- **City Clerk** - City Clerk Herman provided the Council with a copy of the newsletter received from Allegan County today.
- **WUHS Student Representative** - Trent Podskalan updated the Council about the upcoming Homecoming activities at Wayland Union High School. Homecoming Parade is at 5:30 PM, with Court at 6:30 PM, followed by the game at 7:00 PM. The Homecoming Dance will be Saturday night.
- **Mayor & Councilmember Comments**

Councilmember Patrick was glad the City Manager was going after the Michigan Energy Grant.

Mayor Bala asked to Council Members to consider eliminating the Appreciation Dinner this year, currently scheduled for January 15, 2010. The cost of this event is approximately \$3,000.

9.2 Written Communications Transmitted with Meeting Packet: None

10. EXTENDED PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

11. ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION: Mayor Bala adjourned the Regular City Council Meeting at 7:40 PM. After a short recess, the Closed Session for the sole purpose of the Six-Month Performance Evaluation of the City Manager began at 7:45 PM.

12. OPEN SESSION AND ADJOURNMENT: Having no further business, Mayor Bala adjourned the Closed Session and Regular City Council Meeting @ 8:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Herman, City Clerk

Tim Bala, Mayor