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CITY OF WAYLAND
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
MONDAY, March 16, 2009

Mayor Bala opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Fire Chief Joe Miller led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Mayor Bala, Council Members Jeff Hudson, Sheryl Hamilton, Bruce Patrick, Ron Kobish, Jennifer Antel, Greg Maichele.

Absent: Student Representative Stephanie Olmsted

Also Present: City Manager Chris Yonker, City Clerk Michelle Herman, Deputy City Manager Bhama Cairns, and Director of City Services Pierre Brazeau, Police Chief Dan Miller, Fire Chief Joe Miller, and Diane Smith, Andy Tobolic, Commissioner Don Black, Ray Antel, Larry Scheidel, Joe Hamilton, Stuart Isenhoff, Diane Yonker Julie Makarewicz and Char Weik.

PUBLIC HEARING: Grant Project Closeout.

- Mayor opens Public Hearing at 7:01 pm.
- Discussion. None.
- Mayor Closes Public Hearing at 7:02 pm.

PUBLIC HEARING: Rabbit River Park Improvement Grant.

- Mayor opens Public Hearing at 8:22 pm.
- Discussion – A letter of support for the proposed project was received from the Wayland Union Public Schools.
- Mayor Closes Public Hearing at 8:24 pm

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion made by Council Member Hudson to approve the minutes of the March 2, 2009 Council Meeting. Motion was seconded by Council Member Hamilton.

All Ayes. Motion passed

CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL: None

COMMITTEE MINUTES:

Minutes (proposed) of the Sewer Committee Meeting of March 9, 2009, were acknowledged for file.
Minutes (proposed) of the Parks Committee Meeting of March 11, 2009, were acknowledged for file.

COMMUNICATIONS:

For information only, the Monthly Police Report for February, 2009.

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS:

Motion made by Council Member Patrick to approve the bills and accounts as written. Council Member Hamilton seconded the motion.

All Ayes: Motion Passed

OLD BUSINESS:

A) Health Renewal Options – Presenter Bob Golm.

Motion made by Council Member Patrick to review the Health Renewal Options for the City Employee's health benefits. Council Member Kobish seconded the motion.

Bob Golm of Golm Insurance Services reviewed the current plan coverage along with the cost increase beginning May 1, 2009 through April 30, 2010. Mr. Golm went on to review an alternate plan offered by Priority Health in the form of a Health Savings Account/HMO product. This product would provide a savings to the City.

Council Member Hamilton asked for a quote from Blue Cross/Blue Shield for a comparison for review at the March 16, 2009 meeting. Mr. Golm reviewed this plan vs. the Priority Health options. In summary, the City would pay higher premiums for less coverage.

Motion made by Council Member Antel to accept the Priority Health HMO/HSA Plan with the City of Wayland to pay the deductible quarterly into the HSA account for each covered member; with a Debit Card option to become effective May 1, 2009. Council Member Kobish seconded the motion.

All Yes. Motion Passed.

B) Fire Protection Agreement with Wayland Township – FYI Only
Draft was presented for final review at the next meeting April 6, 2009.

NEW BUSINESS:

A) Allegan County Aerial Imagery Acquisition Project

Motion made by Council Member Antel to approve the participation with the Allegan County Aerial Acquisition Project. Council Member Hamilton seconded the motion.

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Discussion determined the only potential use was by DPW. DPW did not feel there was a need for this service at this time, which is priced at \$1,088.00.

Yes: None No: All. Motion Failed

B) P.S. Equities, Inc – Engineering Fees

Motion made by Council Member Hamilton to refer the P.S. Equities, Inc., complaint letter regarding professional fee charge backs to the Saw Mills Estate project to the City Manager to resolve. Council Member Antel seconded the motion.

All Yes. Motion Passed.

C) Rabbit River Park Improvement Grant – Resolution 2009-04

Motion made by Council Member Hudson to support the submittal of a MNRTF grant application to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund of the State of Michigan for the development of the Rabbit River Park. The City of Wayland commits to provide a 30% match of the total. Council Member Kobish seconded the motion.

A letter of support for the proposed project was received from the Wayland Union Public Schools.

ROLL CALL:

Yes: Council Member(s) Patrick, Hudson, Hamilton, Antel, Kobish, Maichele, and Mayor Bala.

All Yes. Motion Passed.

D) DDA and Michigan Main Street Application. For Information Only.

A copy of the Michigan Main Street Associate Level, 2009 Application has been provided to the Council from the DDA. The DDA will have a work session March 24, 2009, beginning at 9:30AM to complete the initial Main Street Program application. The DDA invites any Council Member to attend as well.

E) MDOT – Appointment of Street Administrator - Resolution 2009-03.

Motion made by Council Member Antel to appoint the City Manager the Street Administrator for the City of Wayland. Council Member Hamilton seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL:

Yes: Council Member(s) Patrick, Hudson, Hamilton, Antel, Kobish, Maichele, and Mayor Bala.

All Yes. Motion Passed.

MANAGER’S COMMENTS: None

STAFF COMMENTS: NONE

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COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Council Member Patrick mentioned he likes the notify feature on the web based e-mail. Patrick suggested all Council Members to activate this feature on their e-mail accounts.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Joe Hamilton of the DDA reminded the Council the By-Laws have yet to be approved by the Council.

Larry Scheidel asked for information regarding the Superior Street improvements. Mr. Scheidel specifically wanted to know about the rail road crossing.

Ray Antel provided an update regarding the Interurban Trail update. The project has received permission from both ITC and the Rail Road. Phase I runs from Dahlia to 133rd Street.

MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Bala asked Council Member Antel to read the letter from Dr. House regarding Kid's Day, May 16, 2009 from Noon until 3:00.

Mayor Bala adjourned the meeting at 8:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Herman, City Clerk

Tim Bala, Mayor