

**CITY OF WAYLAND
COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
MONDAY, April 6, 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: Sheryl Hamilton, Bruce Patrick, Ron Kobish, Jennifer Antel, and Greg Maichele.
Absent: Jeff Hudson and 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, Larry Scheidel, Stella Van Heck, Joel Baugh, Julie Makarewicz and Char Weik.

Mayor Bala announced a slight agenda change. Item 10 (e) will be placed at the end of the meeting agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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

All Ayes. Motion passed

CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE COUNCIL: None

COMMITTEE MINUTES:

A) Board of Review Minutes for March, 2009 Meetings.

COMMUNICATIONS:

- A) Report from Student Representative Stephanie Olmsted
- B) Wayland Chamber of Commerce – Activities Report
- C) Final copy of the Adopted Parks and Recreation Plan 2009-2013
- D) Mayoral Proclamation – Arbor Day, April 24, 2009

BILLS AND ACCOUNTS:

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

All Ayes: Motion Passed

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OLD BUSINESS:

A) Fire Protection Agreement – Wayland Township.

Motion made by Council Member Hamilton to approve the Amended and Restated Fire Protection Agreement. Council Member Antel seconded the motion.

Discussion regarding the wording in Paragraph Six: delete the word equipment in the last sentence.

All Yes. Motion Passed.

NEW BUSINESS:

A) Appointment to the Grand Valley Metro Council.

Motion made by Council Member Maichele to appoint the City Manager, Chris A Yonker, to the Grand Valley Metro Council. Council Member Antel seconded the motion.

All Yes. Motion Passed.

B) Resolution Authorizing the Execution of an MDOT Contract for W. Superior Street Improvements: Resolution 2009-05.

Motion made by Council Member Hamilton to appoint the City Manager, Chris A. Yonker, to execute the MDOT Contract for W. Superior Street Improvements. Council Member Antel seconded the motion.

All Yes. Motion Passed.

C) Zoning Ordinance Amendment No. 2009-222 – First Reading

D) Approve Fire Station Heaters Bid.

Motion made by Council Member Patrick to award the heater bid for the Fire Station to Permoda Air Temperature Specialties Inc in the amount of \$5,475.00. Council Member Hamilton seconded the motion. *Mayor Bala abstained from voting as he has business relationships over the years with each contractor.*

Brief discussion took place regarding the different proposals, including comments from Mr. DeWeerd asking the council to reconsider using a City of Wayland business. All parts and labor warranties are all the same.

Yes: 3 - Antel, Patrick, Hamilton

No: 2 - Maichele, Kobish

Abstain: Bala

Motion Passed.

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E) Executive Closed Session agenda item moved to Mayor's Comments.

MANAGER'S COMMENTS:

City Manager Yonker reviewed the W. Superior Street bid tally sheet from MDOT. MDOT has not provided any timeline for the project yet.

Director of City Services Pierre Brazeau submitted an evaluation of the 2008 Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) Treatment Program for the City of Wayland. Mike Connor of Honeytree Nursery was asked to update council regarding new products available this year for EAB treatment. Mr. Conner explained the time table to effectively treat EAB. The NW quadrant of the City is infected. Joe Miller asked Mr. Connor if this is available to the general public.

Motion made by Council Member Antel to allow management to find funding to continue the EAB program this spring. Council Member Hamilton seconded the motion.

All Yes. Motion Passed.

Mr. Yonker also reported Jolly's is being renamed McDuff's. The Façade Committee reviewed the site and referred to the DDA for a possible grant. Council Member Antel likes the changes so far.

STAFF COMMENTS:

Finance Director Bhama Cairns will have a draft of the 2009/2010 Budget to the City Manager to review at the next council meeting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Council Member Antel reported the Parks Grant has been submitted.

CITIZENS COMMENTS:

Stella Van Heck asked about the rail road crossings repair schedule. Also inquired about the potholes by the ball park

Ms. Van Heck also inquired about the Steeby School Renovations.

Council Member Antel offered a detail explanation for the need to update this building for safety and infa-structure improvements for the safety of the staff and children.

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MAYOR'S COMMENTS:

Mayor Bala made the announcement the Council would be going into closed session.

Executive Closed Session

- 8:05 p.m. Council entered into Closed Session.
- 8:38 p.m. Council resumes regular Council Meeting

Council Member Antel made the motion to authorize the City Manager and the City Clerk to execute the amendment to the current CBA to permit the Police Officers Union to enroll in the new City Health Care Plan effective May 1, 2009. Council Member Maichele seconded the motion.

All Yes. Motion Passed.

Council Member Kobish made the motion to authorize the City Manager to sign the Letter of Understanding and begin the bargaining process with the Police Officer's Union. Council Member Maichele seconded the motion.

All Yes. Motion Passed.

Mayor Bala adjourned the meeting at 8:43 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Michelle Herman, City Clerk

Tim Bala, Mayor