

CITY OF FENTON COUNCIL WORK SESSION PROCEEDINGS
Monday, May 6, 2019
City Hall Conference Room
301 South LeRoy Street
7:30 PM

Mayor Osborn called the meeting to order at 7:32 PM.

ROLL CALL:

Present: Bottecelli, Draves, Grossmeyer, Lockwood, McDermott, Osborn, Smith.
Absent: None.
Others Present: Lynn Markland, City Manager; Michael Hart, Assistant City Manager/DDA Director; Dan Czarnecki, DPW Director; Steve Guy, Water Plant Supervisor; Jason Slater, Chief of Police; Mike Reilly, Building and Zoning Administrator.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - None

RESOLUTION 19-19 RESOLUTION FOR CHARITABLE GAMING LICENSE

A motion was made by Lockwood and seconded by McDermott to approve the request from the Keepers of the Shiawassee, Inc. of Linden, County of Genesee, asking they be recognized as a nonprofit organization operating in the community for the purposes of obtaining a charitable gaming license.

YEAS: Draves, Grossmeyer, Lockwood, McDermott, Osborn, Smith, Bottecelli.
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: None.

Motion carried by a roll call vote.

PROCLAMATIONS – A motion was made by Smith and seconded by Draves to proclaim May 5-11, 2019 as Drinking Water Week; a Proclamation to establish May 16, 2019 as National Public Transportation Day; and a Proclamation recognizing May 2019 as Mental Health Month.

Motion carried by a unanimous voice vote.

LIQUOR LICENSE TRANSFER REQUEST – Chief Slater reviewed the notification from the Liquor Commission regarding the transfer of an escrowed, 2018 Specialty Designated Merchant (SDM) license with motor vehicle pumps and a new Sunday sales permit (S.M.) from Knight Enterprises, Inc., located at 3325 Owen Rd., also known as the Sunoco gas station. This transfer will allow for the continued sale of beer and wine for consumption off the licensed premises. A check of the MLCC system yielded the location is free of any liquor license violations.

A background investigation of the district manager and store manager were performed showing no history of criminal conviction or driving related infractions that would have impeded

a successful transfer per Navon R. Johnson, LLC request. The company utilizes an online training program that each employee must successfully complete pertaining to the sale of alcohol.

Slater advised Navin R. Johnson is fictitious a character from the movie “The Jerk”. Navin R. Johnson, LLC is owned by US Petroleum Partners located in Novi, Michigan which is owned by the parent company, US Petroleum Partners, LLC based in Florida.

Grossmeyer questioned if there are any building or zoning violations, Reilly stated, nothing other than some landscaping issues. Avantini stated there are obsolete inactive pumps on the property.

MASTER PLAN – Reilly advised he is asking Council for permission to distribute the Master Plan Update. Avantini advised he will be sending them out to surrounding communities, Counties and the utility companies.

Grossmeyer suggested several changes to the Plan, such as; landmarks that are no longer there, gazebo that doesn’t exist in Conklin Park; curb cuts on Owen Road in the area of McDonalds and Taco Bell, and the drive on the south side of Owen Rd. by Target entrance moved closer together.

Markland stated he has several changes and will submit them in writing to OHM.

Council requested more time to review the plan. Avantini stated he will make the changes and bring it back to Council at the June Work Session.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Grossmeyer would like to see a discussion regarding food trucks at the June work session.

McDermott commented on the new sculptures, good mix of artwork.

Smith attended the Spring Fling on Friday night. Advised the Butterfly Garden was a popular photo location for prom goers.

Bottecelli advised Ciao lost power during Spring Fling and did not fix the problem until after 2:00 am so the other businesses would not be shut down and business disrupted.

Lockwood thanked the Sculpture Committee for the great job in selecting the new sculptures. Advised the Arts & Culture Commission received a grant for \$18,900. At the ArtWalk meeting they were advised there will be 52 exhibitors. Reminded all of the election tomorrow for the pathway.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

Brad Jacob thanked Council for passing the resolution and stated the new art is fantastic. Jacob requested a change be made to the original agreement for the RiverFest event to move the food trucks from the Community Center parking lot to S. Leroy Street. After discussion, Osborn requested he put it writing and bring the proposed changes to the next Council Meeting for review and action.

Michael Morey spoke regarding the reasons for his resignation from the Planning Commission.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 PM.

Mayor Osborn

City Clerk, Sue Walsh

Date Approved: May 13, 2019