

CITY OF FENTON COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
Monday, December 21, 2020
Electronic and Telephonic Meeting
7:30 PM

Mayor Osborn called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

ROLL CALL

Present: Bottecelli – Fenton, Michigan
 Grossmeyer – Fenton, Michigan
 Jacob – Fenton, Michigan
 Lockwood – Fenton, Michigan
 McDermott – Fenton, Michigan
 Osborn – Fenton, Michigan
 Sage – Fenton, Michigan

Absent: None.

Others Present: Lynn Markland, City Manager; Michael Hart, Assistant City Manager/DDA
 Director; Christopher Patterson, Legal Counsel; Jon Satkowiak, Treasurer.

MAYOR’S COMMENTS

Mayor Osborn wished everyone a Merry Christmas & Happy 2021.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

Markland reported on the following:

- Working on applying for grants
- Working with Chelsea Mills on gift card program
- Lead Service Line Replacement
- Shiawassee Street Project
- Economic Development Projects:
 - 111 Leroy
 - Clearpath Assisted Living
 - Orchard Hills
 - Eagles on the Waters Edge
- Thanked departments heads & Council for all their work this year

COMMENTS & REPORTS

Bottecelli offered kudos to the city on their work this year and wished everyone a wonderful 2021.

Jacob wished everyone a Happy Holidays and is happy to see the gift card program underway.

McDermott offered congratulations on the gift card program and thanked city employees on all the work done in 2020.

Grossmeyer is working on the Planning Commission PUD amendment for Pinecreek North and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

Lockwood stated the food truck committee may plan a festival in 2021. Thanked DPW for their help with holiday decorations. Thanked Police & Fire Departments for participating in events for those in need. Thanked DDA for putting together the gift card program. Offered kudos to Michael Hart and Chelsea Mills for their work on the program. Thanked businesses for their work on outdoor dining. Thanked Markland for work done in a challenging year.

Sage offered congratulations on the success of the gift card program and is excited to hear about the Riverwalk grant. Sage suggested doing a team evaluation for 2020 sometime in the middle of next year.

LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

Patterson reported on the following items:

- Working on two pending litigations
- Working with Planning Commission on Eagles on the Waters Edge
- Working on Assessing Interlocal Agreement
- Assisting with other city business

CITIZENS COMMENTS – None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Mayor Osborn reviewed all items on the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Lockwood and supported by McDermott to approve the consent agenda containing the following items:

- Approve and place on file the minutes of the following meetings:
 - December 7, 2020 Council Work Session meeting.
 - December 14, 2020 City Council meeting.

YEAS: Bottecelli, Grossmeyer, Jacob, Lockwood, McDermott, Osborn, Sage.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Osborn opened the public hearing for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) 2022-2024 Application at 7:55 PM. There were no requests to speak. The public hearing was closed at 7:56 PM.

RESOLUTION NO. 20-38 INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR GENESEE COUNTY DESIGNATED ASSESSOR

Markland explained Public Act 660 of 2018 that requires each county to secure a designated assessor, and the interlocal agreement with Genesee County with a \$200 annual fee. The City of Fenton has always been 100% in compliance with Audit of Minimum Assessing Requirements (AMAR) reviews, therefore the recommendation to sign the agreement is done so with protest.

A motion was made by McDermott and supported by Lockwood to adopt Resolution No. 20-38 Interlocal Agreement for the Genesee County Designated Assessor and authorize city manager or staff to sign the interlocal agreement on behalf of the city.

YEAS: Grossmeyer, Jacob, Lockwood, McDermott, Osborn, Sage, Bottecelli.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: None.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

WATER & SEWER RATE STUDY

Jon Satkowiak and Paul Stauder of PFM presented information on the water and sewer rate study. The sewer portion will be partially reimbursable through the Stormwater, Asset Management, Wastewater (SAW) Grant. No action is needed until January 2021.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

Donald Bancroft wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Osborn and supported by McDermott to enter into closed session at 8:19 PM to discuss a legal opinion.

YEAS: Jacob, Lockwood, McDermott, Osborn, Sage, Bottecelli, Grossmeyer.
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: None.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Osborn and supported by Lockwood to re-enter open session at 9:04 PM.

YEAS: Lockwood, McDermott, Osborn, Sage, Bottecelli, Grossmeyer, Jacob.
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: None.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

AMEND DDA BUDGET

Hart and Mills conveyed the success of the gift card program and discussed amending the DDA budget to allot additional funds for the program. McDermott requested the progress of the program be included in a Friday Memo.

A motion was made by Lockwood and supported by McDermott to amend the DDA budget contribution to the City of Fenton e-gift program and increase it by an additional \$200,000.00.

YEAS: McDermott, Osborn, Sage, Bottecelli, Grossmeyer, Jacob, Lockwood.
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: None.

Motion carried by unanimous roll call vote.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE – None.

Adjourned 9:49 PM.

Mayor Sue Osborn

Jennifer Kienast, City Clerk

Date Approved: January 11, 2021