

CITY OF FENTON COUNCIL WORK SESSION PROCEEDINGS
Monday, June 6, 2022
City Hall Council Chambers
7:30 PM

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

ROLL CALL

Present: Bottecelli, Grossmeyer, Jacob, Lockwood, McDermott, Osborn, Sage.
Absent: None.
Others Present: Lynn Markland, City Manager; Dan Brisson, DPW Director; Michael Hart, Assistant City Manager; Chris Clonts, Communications Coordinator.

Mayor Osborn called for a moment of silence for former Fire Chief, Dennis Smith.

PUBLIC HEARING: LAKE FENTON SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT

Mayor Osborn opened the public hearing at 7:31 pm. Don Romines spoke in favor of the special assessment. Osborn closed the public hearing at 7:36 pm.

DISCUSSION ON MONTHLY UTILITY BILLING

Monthly utility billing was discussed and the following points were made:

1. Quicker to find issues/leaks.
2. Easier for families to budget.
3. 90% of meters are radio reads.
4. ACH avoids fees to pay online.

This item will be discussed again at the July work session.

DISCUSSION ON CHANGE IN POLLING LOCATION

St. John's raised concerns regarding the protesting of controversial political issues on their property and suggested the City find another polling location. Several venues were considered, and the only fitting location is the Fenton Area Public Schools Ellen Street Campus World of Wonder located at 404 West Ellen Street. Council is in favor of this location.

COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS

Grossmeyer made suggestions on new website improvements such as contact info and office hours, and stated bathrooms should be open at the community center for events.

Sage conveyed frustration over lack of information on the road program. Brisson stated a press release is coming out and door hangers will be placed on the homes and businesses in the construction area.

Lockwood reported on Planting Day held on June 4th and thanked DPW for their help with the event. Preparations for 4th of July are coming along but they are in need of volunteers for the event.

Bottecelli reported needing volunteers for fireworks fundraising at VG's on July 1st & 2nd in 2 hour blocks. McDermott reported the new website looks great.

Jacob – River was cleaned by the Water Trail Coalition and commended Tim Minock of the DPW on his help with it.

Osborn thanked Jacob for the river clean up.

Markland reported Torrey Road preconstruction meeting is tomorrow. Bids received were 27% higher than projected. They are reviewing bids and will decide on the next step.

CALL TO THE AUDIENCE

Damien Siwik suggested the old Michael's building for potential use by the city.

CLOSED SESSION

A motion was made by Osborn and supported by Lockwood to enter into closed session at 8:55 pm to discuss purchase of property.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

A motion was made by Osborn and supported by Lockwood to reconvene to open session at 9:44 pm.

Meeting Adjourned at 9:44 PM.

Mayor Sue Osborn

Jennifer Kienast, City Clerk

Date Approved: June 27, 2022