

**FRANKENMUTH CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, May 1, 2018
1:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Ackerman, Cramer, Grossi, Reindel, Rupprecht & Schoenow.

ABSENT: Schmitzer.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Smith, City Clerk Kerns, DDA Director Stamiris, Parks & Recreation Director Kaschinske, Police Chief Mawer, Treasurer Deterding, Wastewater Superintendent McKendree, and Water Superintendent O'Brien.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 1:00 P.M. and opened the meeting by leading the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

There being no public comments, the Mayor proceeded with the agenda.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Cramer, seconded by Reindel, to approve the agenda as reviewed by the Mayor. Unanimously carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Levee Improvements Project/Rock Ramp Update. Reviewed a recent meeting with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) staff concerning potential mitigation efforts to address the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality (MDEQ) violations from the 2015 rock ramp construction project.

Discussed potential options and one being a river bank cut on the northwestern side of the bend in the Cass River at Heritage Park was suitable enough to address upstream propagation of floodwater. USACE estimates were between \$950,000 and \$1.6 million; however, City staff believes those estimates may be high.

Further discussed the need to commence work on the levee improvements as a result of the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) impending action to change floodplain maps and decertifying our existing levee, thus making all of the downtown into floodplain, unless levee improvements are made.

The USACE and MDEQ will meet in mid May to discuss this matter and City officials are not hopeful that those discussions will yield a solution.

Further discussion took place on the proposed size of the Heritage Park cut, that the City most likely will bear the cost, that the rock ramp project has \$400,000 in surplus funds of which the City contributed 25%, the desire of the City not to be left holding the bag, and the need to communicate this story to residents.

Political assistance will be sought; however, until we know the action we must take, we cannot seek this help.

No Parking Zone Recommendations from the Transportation Advisory Committee (TAC).

Discussed recommendations from the TAC for No Parking Zones as follows: Adding a new sign on E. Genesee Street near Rittmueller Middle School. Reinstating a no parking zone on the inside of the ðhorsehoeö curve on Park Drive within Memorial Park. Adding a no parking zone on the east side of Mayer Road, from Mission Ridge and 190 feet south toward W. Tuscola Street due to visibility concerns. Adding no parking zones along portions of Parker Street and E. School Street.

Public hearings will most likely be required for the last three proposed recommendations and staff will review with affected property owners. Staff will research the Park Drive matter for that may have been a no parking zone at one time and not reinstated after Park Drive was improved with curb and gutter.

Potential Council Vacancy. Reviewed the appointment process for midterm Council vacancies being that Councilmember Grossi is building a new home in Frankenmuth Township and will relocate sometime this summer/fall and need to resign prior to his term ending.

2018-19 Budget Review. Reviewed additional information prepared as a result of the April 13, 2018 Budget Workshop. A power point presentation will take place at the regular meeting. Staff also prepared history on millage, state revenue sharing and City related employment facts.

Water and Wastewater Treatment Rate Studies. Reviewed action taken at a joint Water Board and Waste Treatment Committee meeting concerning the Municipal Analytics proposal to conduct water and wastewater treatment rate studies. The total of the proposal is \$16,500.

Miscellaneous. Reviewed the Treasurer's revised quarterly report format and that Dan Walter wishes to resign from the Historic District Commission.

Review of Upcoming Council Meeting Agenda Items/Meeting Schedule. The preliminary Council agenda for the *June* meeting was available for review.

April Invoices ó Preliminary Review. The bills were available for review and specific questions.

Correspondence. Reviewed the Jaycee's Spray Park thank you and May 7th groundbreaking ceremony.

Council Liaison Reports. The minutes of boards, commissions and committees were available for review and comment. Discussion took place on action at the City's 36 acre recreational land that is under agreement with the Frankenmuth Youth Sports Association.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:50 P.M.

Phillip Kerns
City Clerk