

**FRANKENMUTH CITY COUNCIL  
WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday, October 10, 2017  
1:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Ackerman, Cramer, Grossi, Reindel, Rupprecht, Schmitzer (@ 1:12 PM) & Schoenow.

ABSENT: NONE.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Smith, City Clerk Kerns, DDA Director Stamiris, DPW Superintendent Braeutigam, Parks & Recreation Director Kaschinske, Police Chief Mawer & Treasurer Deterding, WWTP Superintendent McKendree and WWTP Assø. Superintendent Schluckebier.

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

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The Mayor recognized Police Chief Mawer who introduced School Resource Officer Tim Smith who succeeded Officer Tom Daugharty. There being no further public comments, the Mayor proceeded with the agenda.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

Municipal Employees Retirement System (MERS) of Michigan Annual Actuarial Valuation Report. MERS of Michigan Representative Marne Daggett reviewed the City of Frankenmuth's retirement plan through December 31, 2016.

Schmitzer entered the meeting.

Discussion and review took place on adopted benefits for the defined benefit and hybrid plans, employer contribution requirements, funding history, investment performance, administrative fees, and that the Personnel Committee will be further reviewing strategies to potentially reduce or better manage the debt and report back on potential recommendations.

Rock Ramp Update. Reviewed the status of the U.S Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) draft remediation plans for the Cass River Rock Ramp project and the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality's (MDEQ) violation notice concerning construction of the project.

City Manager Smith reviewed the on-going discussions with the MDEQ, that the discussions are only focusing on the rock ramp project and not the proposed levee improvement project, an upcoming meeting with USACE officials on maintaining the river level at pre-rock ramp construction levels, and the eventual joint review of mitigation strategies with both the USACE and MDEQ.

Update on Commercial Vending in the Right-of-Way. Reviewed information from the City Attorney concerning horse carriage operations within the street right-of-way. Upon discussion of the options and prior council action on the amended ordinances, City staff, with the assistance of the City Attorney, will draft an agreement with Fantasy Carriage Company on their grandfathered operation in the public right-of-way to come to an agreement for future operations.

Saginaw County 911 Funding. Because of time, this matter will be delayed until next month.

Miscellaneous. The City Manager reviewed a proposed fiber optic installation lease with Air Advantage to cross Harlan Park and a potential sale of property in the City's Business Park that will require a survey and updated environmental impact study.

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

September Bills ó Preliminary Review. The bills were available for review.

Correspondence. NONE.

Council Liaison Reports. The minutes of boards, commissions and committees were available for review and comment.

Additional Public Comments. NONE.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 3:00 P.M.

Phillip Kerns  
City Clerk