

**FRANKENMUTH CITY COUNCIL
WORK SESSION MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, September 4, 2018
1:00 P.M.**

PRESENT: Ackerman, Cramer, Reindel, Rupprecht, Schmitzer, Schoenow & Southgate.

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, Wastewater Superintendent Schluckebier and Water Superintendent O'Brien, Chris Rittmueller, Jamie Furbush and City Attorney Peter Goodstein.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 1:07 P.M. and opened the meeting by leading the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Schmitzer, seconded by Schoenow, to approve the agenda as reviewed by the Mayor. Unanimously carried.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

New Transmission Main Activation & Boil Water Advisory. Reviewed the early Friday morning event of the new Junction Road transmission main activation which lead to a boil water advisory for water customers north of the Cass River due to observed water quality concerns.

Discussion took place on the need to critique our response and make revisions where necessary. It was generally agreed upon that our response was good and that the cooperation among the Community made a bad situation much more tolerable.

Economic Development Corporation Board. EDC Board Chairperson Chris Rittmueller & Director Stamiris reviewed the annual report of the Board and an amended mission statement. They reviewed the EDC's vision for the Community which focus on Business, Talent and Entrepreneurialism; Understand Housing; and Marketing for Investment.

Discussion took place on the EDC Board desiring Council feedback and surveying the Community on housing ideas for younger people seeking to return or come to Frankenmuth.

Moved by Cramer, seconded by Schmitzer, to accept the annual report of the EDC Board and thank them for their continued work. Unanimously carried.

Assessing Vacant Land. City staff and City Attorney Peter Goodstein were available to review assessing vacant land and the impact of Proposal A on sales.

Discussion took place on infrastructure costs making investors even more wary after uncapping property values, use of comparable sales, county equalization factors on the class of property affected and limitations, and sale of residentially developed land and its impact on housing costs.

Additional discussion took place on things the Council can review to encourage development like further spreading out payments on infrastructure costs on developed land, and reviewing lot size and density requirements in the Zoning Code.

Frankenmuth Community Foundation Grant Review Committee. Reindel was nominated as a candidate to serve on this committee and her name will be submitted.

Purchase of MERS of Michigan Generic Service Credits. Reviewed two resolutions to be acted on at tonight's meeting concerning the purchase of generic service credits by Police Officer Randal Flathau if the policy is adopted.

Employee Assistance Plan. Reviewed that an annual contract with Child and Family Services in Saginaw would allow employees access to counseling and other services for up to six annual visits. Affected employees would be for full-time, as well as police reserves and firefighters.

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

August Invoices – Preliminary Review. The bills were available for review and specific questions.

Correspondence. Several items were included in the evening packet for review. Review took place on a letter from Joel Zwerk concerning the use of the HE Kern Pavilion by a dog show group and the added work required of MusicFest and Oktoberfest volunteers.

City Manager Smith will hold a meeting with affected parties in an effort to work better together because of the importance these events have on the community.

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 2:44 P.M.

Phillip Kerns
City Clerk