

**CITY OF COOPERSVILLE**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY OF COOPERSVILLE CITY COUNCIL**  
CITY HALL, 289 DANFORTH ST.; COOPERSVILLE, MICHIGAN

**March 28, 2016**

Mayor Lloyd called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

**Present:** Council member Bush Council member Ward  
Council member Lampe Council member Wheeler  
Council member Meintsma Mayor Lloyd  
Council member Mooney

**Absent:** None

**Additions/Corrections to the Agenda** None

**Minutes**

Motion by Council member Meintsma with second by Council member Mooney to approve the regular City Council meeting minutes of March 14, 2016. Motion carried unanimously. (2016-053)

**Scheduled Guests & Public Hearings**

City Assessor, Wayne Pickler presented the 2016 Assessment Roll changes to the Council members. Wayne stated that the 2015-2016 corrections that were made will not affect the 2015-2016 taxable amounts.

City Treasurer, Keri Rogers explained to the Council members how she uses the numbers from the Assessment Roll to calculate the revenue amounts for the budget.

**Citizen Input & Suggestions** None

**Petitions and Communications**

Motion by Council member Ward with second by Council member Bush to approve payment on invoice from Prein & Newhof Water Project totaling \$8,750.00. Motion carried unanimously. (2016-054)

Motion by Council member Ward with second by Council member Wheeler to approve payment on invoice from Ottawa County Prosecuting Attorney reimbursement totaling \$990.00. Motion carried unanimously. (2016-055)

Motion by Council member Meintsma with second by Council member Mooney to approve payment on invoice from Ottawa County Policing and Community That Cares totaling \$40,298.73. Motion carried unanimously. (2016-056)

Motion by Council member Ward with second by Council member Mooney to approve payment on invoice from Ottawa County Water Resources for drain maintenance totaling \$285.06. Motion carried unanimously. (2016-057)

Motion by Council member Ward with second by Council member Lampe to approve payment on invoice from MDOT for West Randall Reconstruction Progress billings totaling \$7,200.00. Motion carried unanimously. (2016-058)

**Petitions and Communications continued**

Motion by Council member Lampe with second by Council member Mooney to approve payment on invoice from Infrastructure Alternatives totaling \$9,717.00. Motion carried unanimously. (2016-059)

Motion by Council member Ward with second by Council member Mooney to approve payment on checks written through March 28, 2016 totaling \$472,370.52. Motion carried unanimously. (2016-060)

Motion by Council member Meintsma with second by Council member Mooney to approve an ordinance to rezone Parcel # 70-05-23-405-032, Coopersville Area District Library, from R-2 Single Family Residential to C-2 Central Business District. Motion carried unanimously. (2016-61)

Motion by Council member Ward with second by Council member Lampe to approve the request from City Assessor, Wayne Pickler to increase the compensation paid to Board of Review members from \$25.00 per hour to \$50.00 per hour, not to exceed \$700.00 per year as they have not had an increase in compensation since March 22, 2004. Motion carried unanimously. (2016-62)

Discussion was held on the possibility of a Monetary Policy to assist homeowners on mitigating illegal sump pump hook-ups once the upcoming "smoke tests" have been performed and completed.

City Manager, Steven Patrick suggested to Council members that the city should consider offering an incentive to have residents and business owners that may be incorrectly connected to the city's sanitary drain system be properly connected to the city's storm drain system at the expense of the city.

Mr. Patrick stated that by correcting the improperly connected systems it will lessen the amount of discharge being distributed into the system at the Waste Water Treatment Plant which would, in turn, allow more capacity for the plant.

Assistant City Manager, Jonathan Seyferth explained to Council how the "smoke tests" are performed, the manner in which the findings from the testing will be recorded, as well as the system that has been set in place on how and when the residents and business owners will be notified of when the testing will take place in their homes and businesses.

City Manager, Steven Patrick stated that further discussion on the Monetary Policy will take place in the next couple of months and no immediate action was needed at this time.

Motion by Council member Bush with second by Council member Meintsma to receive and file the Council Information packet which consists of: "You get what you don't pay for – Why Michigan's cities are crumbling," *Detroit Free Press*, March 22, 2016. Retrieved from <http://www.freep.com/story/opinion/columnists/nancy-kaffer/2016/03/22/state-flint-investment/82073468/>; "Igniting the flame – How local governments are sparking interest in tomorrow's leaders," *American City & Country*, February 2016; Moody's Investors Service Annual Comment on Coopersville, March 10, 2016; Planning Commission Draft Minutes from March 21, 2016. Motion carried unanimously. (2016-063)

**Citizen Input & Suggestions**

Roger Victory, State Representative for the 88<sup>th</sup> District updated the Council on the following local and state activities and issues:

- Coopersville Area Public Schools has the highest graduation rate of all schools in Ottawa County
- Success in getting the School Bond Loan Fund passed
- State of the Detroit Public School System
- Water issues in Flint
- Upcoming discussion to be held in Lansing on Personal Property revenue losses to municipalities

**City Manager's Report**

City Manager, Steven Patrick encouraged Council members to review the Moody's Investors Service Annual comment on Coopersville which is enclosed in the Council Information packet.

**City Clerk's Report**

City Clerk, Kimberly Borgman stated that the voter turnout, statewide, for the March 8, 2016 election was over 2.5 million voters which is the highest voter turnout for an election in Michigan since 1972. In 1972 the voter turnout was over 1.6 million.

**Treasurer's Report** None

**Adjournment**

Motion by Council member Ward with second by Council member Meintsma to adjourn the meeting.  
Motion carried unanimously. (2016-064)

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 P.M.

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Rodney C. Lloyd, Mayor

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Kimberly Borgman, City Clerk