

CITY OF COOPERSVILLE
REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

OCTOBER 13, 2008

Mayor Kenneth L. Bush called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

Present: Council member Vander Kolk Council member Sprague
Council member Scherff Council member Whitman
Council member Crandle Council member Meintsma
Mayor Bush

Absent: None

Motion by Council member Sprague with second by Council member Vander Kolk to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of September 22, 2008. Carried unanimously. (2008-212)

The family of Mr. Ralph Langley requested the opportunity to create a park/sitting area in honor of Ralph Langley who has recently passed away. Generous donations have been made and the family would like to use these funds to purchase a bench or picnic table, a memorial sign and possibly some decorative boulders in which to create a nice sitting area for the public to enjoy. This would be located on the south side of Main Street east of Watson Street.

Motion by Council member Vander Kolk with second by Council member Sprague to approve payment on the invoices from Law Weathers & Richardson for general municipal (\$402.22), and general litigation (\$3,199.92) services totaling \$3,602.14. Carried unanimously. (2008-213)

Motion by Council member Whitman with second by Council member Scherff to approve payment on the invoice from OMM Engineering, Inc. for consultation on contaminated soil removal totaling \$1,481.00. Carried unanimously. (2008-214)

Motion by Council member Sprague with second by Council member Vander Kolk to approve payment on the invoice from Ottawa County for August policing services totaling \$35,067.04. Carried unanimously. (2008-215)

Motion by Council member Sprague with second by Council member Vander Kolk to approve payment on the invoice from Ottawa County for August Communities that Care totaling \$4,137.20. Carried unanimously. (2008-216)

Motion by Council member Sprague with second by Council member Vander Kolk to approve payment on the invoice from Pavement Restoration of Michigan for crack filling totaling \$16,605.00. Carried unanimously. (2008-217)

Motion by Council member Sprague with second by Council member Scherff to approve the checks written for the period ending October 13, 2008 totaling \$244,584.14. Carried unanimously. (2008-218)

Motion by Council member Meintsma with second by Council member Sprague to adopt a resolution transferring 25% of \$14,853.57 or \$3,713.39 from Major Roads to Local Roads. Carried unanimously. (2008-219)

Motion by Council member Scherff with second by Council member Whitman to deny an increase to the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan (MERS) Benefit Program E – SEIU (01). Motion carries with Sprague abstaining and Mayor Bush voting no. (2008-220)

Motion by Council member Crandle with second by Council member Meintsma to deny an increase to the Municipal Employees' Retirement System of Michigan (MERS) Benefit Program E – Police/Fire (02). Motion carries with Council member Sprague and Mayor Bush voting no. (2008-221)

Motion by Council member Scherff with second by Council member Whitman to approve a \$100 contribution to the Red Ribbon Campaign. Motion carries with Vander Kolk, Sprague and Crandle voting no. (2008-222)

Motion by Council member Whitman with second by Council member Scherff to lease a picture from the Art from the Heart program, not to exceed \$120.00. Motion carries with Vander Kolk, Sprague and Crandle voting no. (2008-223)

Motion by Council member Sprague with second by Council member Vander Kolk to receive and file the Revenue/Expenditure Reports 2008–2009 for quarter ending 9/30/08. Carried unanimously. (2008-224)

Motion by Council member Sprague with second by Council member Whitman to approve “Langley Park” to be located on Main Street (on the south side, east of Watson Street across from 525 Main Street). Carried unanimously. (2008-225)

Motion by Council member Sprague with second by Council member Vander Kolk to go into closed session to discuss pending litigation (Arthur & Marlene Klein vs. City of Coopersville – E. Randall Street Special Assessment District). Carried unanimously. (2008-226)

Session was closed to the public at 7:45 P.M.

Motion by Council member Sprague with second by Council member Vander Kolk to reconvene to the regular City Council meeting. Carried unanimously. (2008-227)

Session was opened to the public at 8:50 P.M.

Motion by Council member Sprague with second by Council member Whitman to receive and file the Council information packet, which contains Ottawa County Road Commission information sessions for county wide local road millage; Michigan Gas Utilities letter of 9/5/08 re rate hike; MiBiz 8/18/08 article, “The wind is at our back.” September 2008 permits issued; Rescue minutes of 9/2/08; Historical Society October 2008 newsletter; Main Street Merchant Association meeting minutes of 9/29/08; 10/6/08 Ottawa County Administrator’s Digest for Friday, October 3, 2008 with attachments regarding HJR III and other upcoming election issues; 10/7/08 State Senator Wayne Kuipers’ election information flyer; and 10/7/08 Pipeline safety information. Carried unanimously. (2008-228)

Motion by Council member Sprague with second by Council member Vander Kolk to adjourn. Carried unanimously. (2008-229)

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 P.M.

Kenneth L. Bush, Mayor

Stephanie L. Pelkey, City Clerk