

**City of Coopersville**  
**Regular Meeting of the City Council**  
**City Hall, 289 Danforth St.; Coopersville, Michigan**

**January 9, 2012**

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

Present:        Council member Allen                      Council member Crandle  
                  Council member Lloyd                      Council member Meintsma  
                  Council member Vander Kolk                Council member Ward  
                  Mayor Bush

Absent:        None

**Agenda**

There were no additions or corrections to the agenda.

**City Council Meeting Minutes**

Motion by Council member Vander Kolk with second by Council member Lloyd to approve the minutes of the special City Council meeting of December 12, 2011. Carried unanimously. (2012-001)

**Scheduled Guests- Public Hearing-Saturn Electronics & Engineering**

Motion by Council member Vander Kolk with second by Council member Lloyd to open the public hearing to review Saturn's machinery and equipment acquisition Economic Development Implementation Grant results. Carried unanimously. Public hearing opened at 7:03 P.M. (2012-002)

Andrew Jankowski, Controller from Saturn Electronics presented Council members with a report stating that Saturn's total investment in upgrades to machinery and equipment was \$13,926,419.00, of which \$500,000.00 was from the CDBG grant. They have created ninety (90) new jobs in which seventy one (71) of the ninety (90) went to persons with low and moderate incomes. They currently employ one hundred eighty three (183) employees. Mr. Jankowski stated that he foresees continued expansion and growth in their operations in the forthcoming year.

Motion by Council member Lloyd with second by Council member Meintsma to close the public hearing. Carried unanimously. Public hearing closed at 7:06 P.M. (2012-003)

**Citizens Input & Suggestions — I**

- 1) Roger Whitman addressed Council on the proposals for sidewalks on 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue stating that the City should utilize their own DPW for the site preparations.
- 2) Adrian Brown addressed Council on his opposition to the 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue sidewalk proposal.
- 3) County Commissioner, Greg DeJong presented Council with an update on the following:
  - Agriculture Board has one board position open
  - Ottawa County Farm Bureau Breakfast on March 7, 2012
  - Michigan Works currently has employment opportunities
  - Senator Meekhof will be hosting a meeting for agricultural issues on Jan. 16, 2012 at the Ottawa County Fillmore facility.

**Citizens Input & Suggestions — I continued**

- 4) Dan Cooke inquired about the lighting in the Roundabout
- 5) Stephanie Hansma from Hansma Home addressed Council regarding the following:
  - Sidewalks on 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue
  - Increasing of water rates
  - Council members obtaining business cards

**Petitions and Communications**

Motion by Council member Lloyd with second by Council member Meintsma to approve payment on invoices from Law Weathers for ordinance enforcement \$431.10, and general municipal \$1,120.00, totaling \$1,551.10. Carried unanimously. (2012–004)

Motion by Council member Lloyd with second by Council member Vander Kolk to approve checks written for period ending January 9, 2012 totaling \$1,049,212.90. Carried unanimously. (2012–005)

Motion by Council member Lloyd with second by Council member Meintsma to approve the Sentence Work Abatement Program service agreement for 2012. Carried unanimously. (2012–006)

Motion by Council member Crandle with second by Council member Vander Kolk to postpone action, not to exceed sixty (60) days, on the proposals for the 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue sidewalk project in order for staff to contact and meet with other suggested advisory parties to inquire about their means or intentions, if any, of financial contributions towards the sidewalk project. Motion carried with Council member Ward opposing. (2012–007)

Motion by Council member Ward with second by Council member Lloyd to approve the water rate increase from \$2.93 per 100 cubic feet to \$2.96 per 100 cubic feet to capture the new rate increase to the City. Motion carried with Council member Allen opposing. (2012–008)

Motion by Council member Crandle with second by Council member Vander Kolk to allow Council members to have business cards with the City's logo on them should they wish to pay for the cost of them on their own. Motion carried with Council members Lloyd, Meintsma, and Mayor Bush opposing. (2012–009)

**Council Information**

Motion by Council member Lloyd with second by Council member Allen to receive and file Council information which consists of: December permits issued; Coopersville Farm Museum December newsletter; Historical Society January newsletter. Carried unanimously. (2012–010)

**Citizens Input & Suggestions — II**

- 1) Roger Whitman suggested to Council to widen 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue with a paved shoulder should sidewalks not be installed.

**City Manager's Report**

City Manager, Steven Patrick informed Council members of the State's requirement for the new EVIP program that has been posted on the City's website.

**Adjourn**

Motion by Council member Vander Kolk with second by Council member Lloyd to adjourn meeting.  
Carried unanimously. (2012–011)

Meeting adjourned at 8:28 P.M.

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Kenneth L. Bush, Mayor

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Kimberly Borgman, City Clerk