

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

January 23, 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 regular City Council meeting of January 9, 2012. Carried unanimously. (2012–012)

Scheduled Guests— Public Hearing—Alliance Analytical Labs, Inc. /Nielsen Enterprises

Motion by Council member Lloyd with second by Council member Vander Kolk to open the public hearing to review Peter Nielsen’s request for the development of an Industrial Development District No.16. Carried unanimously. Public hearing opened at 7:04 P.M. (2012–013)

Ken Rizzio, Ottawa County Economic Development Office’s Executive Director, addressed Council on behalf of Peter Nielsen. Mr. Rizzio explained the uniqueness of Mr. Nielsen’s business and how such high tech businesses may qualify for the PA198. Mr. Rizzio stated to Council that Mr. Nielsen will be applying for an IFT in the near future and reminded Council that the IFT would apply to new improvements only.

Motion by Council member Crandle with second by Council member Lloyd to close the public hearing. Carried unanimously. Public hearing closed at 7:08 P.M. (2012–014)

Citizens Input & Suggestions — I

County Commissioner, Greg DeJong addressed Council in regard to their recent discussions on sidewalks. Mr. DeJong expressed his opinion on the importance of sidewalks and encouraged Council and citizens to reconsider their thoughts on the issue.

Petitions and Communications

Motion by Council member Allen with second by Council member Meintsma to approve the resolution to establish Industrial Development District No. 16. Carried unanimously. (2012–015)

Motion by Council member Lloyd with second by Council member Vander Kolk to approve payment on invoices from Law Weathers for ordinance enforcement \$144.00, and general municipal \$175.00, totaling \$319.00. Carried unanimously. (2012–016)

Petitions and Communications continued

Motion by Council member Allen with second by Council member Vander Kolk to approve payment on invoices from OMM Engineering for water main crossing \$1,390.00, Randall Street improvements \$478.50, and WWTP upgrade \$38,864.57, totaling \$40,733.07. Carried unanimously. (2012–017)

Motion by Council member Allen with second by Council member Meintsma to approve payment on invoice from Ottawa County for December policing services totaling \$62,033.07. Carried unanimously. (2012–018)

Motion by Council member Allen with second by Council member Vander Kolk to approve payment on invoice from Ottawa County for December Communities That Care totaling \$6,362.20. Carried unanimously. (2012–019)

Motion by Council member Cradle with second by Council member Allen to approve Progress Payment No. 6 for Triangle Associates for WWTP improvements totaling \$1,113,383.98. Carried unanimously. (2012–020)

Motion by Council member Allen with second by council member Meintsma to approve payment on checks written for period ending January 23, 2012 totaling \$1,424,024.07. Carried unanimously. (2012–021)

Discussion was held on the second quarter FY 2011–2012 Revenue & Expenditure Reports. Council member Vander Kolk questioned the line item for the Planning and Zoning Administration. City Manager Steven Patrick and Treasurer Keri Rogers explained how all employees are paid a percentage out of several different budget categories. City Manager Steven Patrick stated that this will be discussed in further detail at the upcoming budget workshops.

Motion by Council member Cradle with second by Council member Vander Kolk to approve the second quarter FY 2011–2012 Revenue & Expenditure Reports. Carried unanimously. (2012–022)

Steve Luke, Water & Sewer Superintendent explained the changes and the reasons for the changes to the proposed amended Chapter 1045 of the Sewage Disposal System ordinance. Motion by Council member Vander Kolk with second by Council member Meintsma to approve the updated and amended Sewage Disposal System ordinance. Carried unanimously. (2012–023)

Motion by Council member Allen with second by Council member Vander Kolk to approve the resolution to amend the fees, charges and rates for Chapter 1045 for the water and sewer services. Carried unanimously. (2012–024)

City Manager Steven Patrick requested for Council to clarify the proper procedure for handling zoning enforcement. Mr. Patrick stated that we have had a few issues with zoning enforcement that are causing confusion for city staff, and he felt it was time for them to be discussed again. Much discussion and several different opinions were offered by Council on the proper procedures for handling zoning enforcement issues. No action was taken.

The first Budget Workshop for FY 2012–2013 was scheduled for February 27, 2012 at 6:00 P.M.

Petitions and Communications continued

Motion by Council member Lloyd with second by Council member Vander Kolk to receive and file Council information which consists of: draft Downtown Development Authority minutes of 1/10/12; draft Planning Commission minutes of 1/16/12. Carried unanimously. (2012–025)

Citizens Input & Suggestions — II

- 1) Dan Noel, 327 Main Street addressed Council in regard to the zoning enforcement stating that the city should only act on written complaints.
- 2) Aaron Konn expressed his opinion on zoning enforcement stating that zoning enforcement issues should go directly to the City.
- 3) Tom Toogood addressed Council stating that if he has a question regarding City issues he will go find an elected official at night to answer his questions. Mr. Toogood also made the following statement to Council members: “You were all elected and you chose to take these seats.”

Adjourn

Motion by Council member Vander Kolk with second by Council member Lloyd to adjourn meeting. Carried unanimously. (2012–026)

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 P.M.

Kenneth L. Bush, Mayor

Kimberly Borgman, City Clerk