

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

FEBRUARY 22, 2010

Mayor Kenneth L. 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 Whitman
 Mayor Bush

Absent: None

There were no additions or corrections to the agenda.

Motion by Council member Vander Kolk with second by Council member Whitman to approve the minutes of the regular City Council meeting of February 8, 2010. Carried unanimously. (2010-040)

Mayor Bush opened the floor for citizens' comments.

Cynthia Timmerman, Executive Director of the Coopersville Chamber of Commerce and Marketing Director of the Downtown Development Authority, reported on the inconclusive results of the farmers' market survey and indicated that she will now poll the vendors for their location and day or time preferences. She informed the council about the First Friday program that Mark Douglas has spearheaded for the downtown merchants to generate activity, sales and entertainment.

Motion by Council member Vander Kolk with second by Council member Lloyd to approve invoices from Law Weathers for ordinance enforcement (\$72.00), 2009 Sewer Bonds (\$694.50), general municipal (\$764.90), and 2009-2010 Sewer project (\$66.00), totaling \$1,597.40. Carried unanimously. (2010-041)

Motion by Council member Lloyd with second by Council member Meintsma to approve invoices from OMM Engineering for West Randall Street Improvements (\$411.75), and WWTP upgrade (\$2,112.00) totaling \$2,523.75. Carried unanimously. (2010-042)

Motion by Council member Vander Kolk with second by Council member Lloyd to approve checks written for period ending February 22, 2010 totaling \$1,254,118.48. Carried unanimously. (2010-043)

In the ensuing discussion on the proposed Wind Energy Ordinance, Planning Commissioner James Ward explained some of the history and reasoning that went into its development. He mentioned the aesthetics, structural issues and ambient noise concerns.

Mary Bigelow, 100 Homer Lane, who teaches wind energy at Grand Rapids Community College, also offered supportive information and together with Mr. Ward they indicated their willingness to further instruct any interested council members on the details of the ordinance and possibly provide a short informational tour to see and hear turbines in operation.

Motion by Council member Allen with second by Council member Whitman to postpone action on the Wind Energy Ordinance to the next meeting to allow further review. Carried unanimously. (2010–044)

Motion by Council member Lloyd with second by Council member Vander Kolk to receive and file the council information packet which consists of: *WZZM13.com*'s 2/11/2010 article, "Coopersville dairy farm gets \$31.1 million in stimulus bonds;" revised notice of hearing for Consumers Energy Company; media advisory; Coopersville Area District Library 1/20/10 meeting minutes; Coopersville—Polkton Fire Authority 2/9/09 (*sic*) meeting minutes; draft Downtown Development Authority 2/9/10 minutes; draft Planning Commission 2/15/10 minutes; Coopersville Rescue 2/2010 meeting minutes; and the 2010 Ottawa County Local Emergency Planning Committee Conference notice. Carried unanimously. (2010–045)

Mayor Bush opened the floor for citizen comments. There were none.

City Manager Steven Patrick reported that:

- ✦ U.S. Energy Engineers and Treasurer Rogers are working on submitting an application due 2/27 for a matching grant to improve energy efficiency in city buildings;
- ✦ Sergeant Dennis Luce has been appointed the interim director of Coopersville Emergency Services;
- ✦ a budget workshop will be scheduled in the next week or so; and
- ✦ Continental Dairy has adjusted their time frame for construction anticipating breaking ground this spring with operations beginning by the end of 2011 and entering full production in 2012.

Council members Lloyd and Meintsma indicated that they would prefer to go paperless on their council packages.

Motion by Council member Vander Kolk with second by Council member Crandle to adjourn. Carried unanimously. (2010–046)

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 P.M.