

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE WEST BRANCH CITY COUNCIL HELD IN PERSON AND VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF THE WEST BRANCH CITY HALL, 121 N. FOURTH STREET ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2020.

Mayor Pro Tem Mike Jackson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Pro Tem Mike Jackson, Council Members Joanne Bennett, Ellen Pugh, Rusty Showalter and Cathy Zimmerman.

Absent: Mayor Paul Frechette and Council Member Chris Powley

Other officers present: Clerk/Treasurer/Acting Manager John Dantzer and Attorney Greg Meihn

All stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**MOTION BY JACKSON, SECOND BY SHOWALTER, TO EXCUSE MAYOR FRECHETTE FROM THE MEETING.**

**Yes – Bennett, Jackson, Pugh, Showalter, Zimmerman**

**No – None**

**Absent – Frechette, Powley**

**Motion carried**

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**MOTION BY JACKSON, SECOND BY BENNETT, TO GO INTO CLOSED SESSION PURSUANT TO MCL 15.268 (h) TO DISCUSS MATTERS SUBJECT TO ATTORNEY CLIENT PRIVILEGE.**

**Yes – Bennett, Jackson, Pugh, Showalter, Zimmerman**

**No – None**

**Absent – Frechette, Powley**

**Motion carried**

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**MOTION BY JACKSON, SECOND BY BENNETT, TO RETURN TO OPEN SESSION**

**Yes – Bennett, Jackson, Pugh, Showalter, Zimmerman**

**No – None**

**Absent – Frechette, Powley**

**Motion carried**

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Member Pugh noted her concern for the scheduling of Halloween. It was Council’s decision to put it on the agenda for the next meeting.

Member Bennett asked about the flag on S. First. Acting Manager Dantzer noted the City was waiting on the court date.

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Mayor Pro Tem Jackson adjourned the meeting at 6:26