

**LAPEER CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 20, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Lapeer City Commission was held February 20, 2024, at the Lapeer City Hall, 576 Liberty Park, Lapeer, Michigan. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Marquardt.

Commissioners: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Absent: None.

City Manager: Mike Womack, present.

Mayor Marquardt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

33 2024 02-20 AGENDA APPROVAL

Moved by Glisman. Seconded by Brady.

Approve the Agenda for February 20, 2024, as presented.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

34 2024 02-20 MINUTES

Moved by Petrie. Seconded by Glisman.

Approve the minutes of the regular meeting held February 5, 2024, with the correction.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Brad Haggadone, Lapeer County Commissioner, provided an update to the City Commission regarding the Lapeer County Board of Commissioners proceedings.

Ray Clemens gave an invocation.

Scott Jankovic, spoke about his Friday Night Bike application.

Five members of the public spoke about Friday Night Bikes.

Eric Cattane, spoke on behalf of the Rubber Duck Dash and the Fantasy Forest events.

Two members of the public spoke about Friends Helping Friends farmers market.

Emily Barber, a member of the Kiwanis, spoke on the Rubber Duck Dash and Fantasy Forest and other fund-raising events.

Tim Lipka read a statement about the Lapeer Days event.

35 2024 02-20 CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Brady. Seconded by Swindell.

Approve the consent agenda for February 20, 2024, as presented:

- 1. Special Event: Friends Helping Friends – East Farmers Market at Tractor Supply Co. Saturdays, April 13, 2024, through December 28, 2024.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

36 2024 02-20 BILL LISTING

Moved by Brady. Seconded by Glisman.

Approve the bill listing for February 20, 2024, in the amount of \$1,609,528.79.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

PROCLAMATION, RECOGNITIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

37 2024 02-20 ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – CHAPTER 15 (ELECTIONS)

Moved by Brady. Seconded by Petrie.

Adopt an ordinance amendment to Chapter 15 (Elections) § 15-1 Territory included in each precinct, of the General Ordinances of the City of Lapeer.

**CITY OF LAPEER
LAPEER COUNTY, MICHIGAN**

Ordinance #: 2024-02

An ordinance to amend City of Lapeer elections ordinance by amending § 15-1 Territory included in each precinct.

THE CITY OF LAPEER, LAPEER COUNTY, MICHIGAN ORDAINS:

ARTICLE I.

That Ordinance § 15-1 Territory included in each precinct is amended to read in its entirety as follows:

§ 15-1 Territory included in each precinct.

Hereafter there shall be two election precincts in the City of Lapeer.

- A. Precinct Number One shall include all areas north of Genesee Street and west of Fox Street extending to Biddle Street; west of Biddle Street to Cedar Street; west of Cedar Street to Second Street; south of Second street to Main Street; and west of Main Street to end of City Limits.
- B. Precinct Number Two shall include all areas east of Main Street north of Second Street; and all areas east of Cedar Street extended to Biddle Street; east of Biddle Street to Fox Street; east of Fox street to Genesee Street to end of City Limits; and all areas south of Genesee Street to end of City Limits.

ARTICLE II. SEVERABILITY

This ordinance and its various articles, paragraphs and clauses thereof are hereby declared to be severable. If any article, paragraph or clause is adjudged unconstitutional or invalid, the remainder of this amendatory ordinance shall not be affected thereby.

ARTICLE III. CONFLICT

All ordinances and provisions of ordinances of the City of Lapeer in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

ARTICLE IV. ADOPTION

This amendatory ordinance shall be published as required by law and shall take effect after publication.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

38 2024 02-20 LAPEER OPTIMIST CLUB – LAPEER DAYS BEER TENT

Moved by Glisman. Seconded by Atwood.

Adopt the resolution to authorize the Lapeer Optimist Club to use the city sidewalks and Cedar Street north of Nepessing Street for their beer tent on Friday, August 16, 2024, through Sunday, August 18, 2024, for Lapeer Days.

**CITY OF LAPEER
RESOLUTION # 2024-02
LAPEER OPTIMIST CLUB**

Authorize the Lapeer Optimist Club to use the city sidewalks and Cedar Street north of Nepessing Street for their beer tent on Friday, August 16, 2024, through Sunday, August 18, 2024.

It is the consensus of this legislative body that the request be approved by the State of Michigan, Department of Consumer & Industry Services, Liquor Control Commission.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

39 2024 02-20 M-24 TUNNEL CONNECTION TAP GRANT RESOLUTION

Moved by Brady. Seconded by Swindell.

Adopt the resolution supporting the M-24 Tunnel Connection Project.

**CITY OF LAPEER
RESOLUTION #2024-03
M-24 TUNNEL CONNECTION
TAP GRANT RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Lapeer City Commission is in support of the non-motorized pathway project known as the M-24 Tunnel Connector project, to provide an ADA accessible means of travel from the west side of M-24 to the east side M-24 at the Farmer’s Creek bridge utilizing the existing pedestrian tunnel constructed in 2015; and

WHEREAS, in addition to the funds that the City of Lapeer has expended in required property acquisition and preliminary engineering; and

WHEREAS, the city is prepared to expend all costs related to design engineering, construction engineering, and the 20% share of the construction costs, currently estimated at \$165,000 for engineering, and \$116,000 (local share) for construction; and

WHEREAS, the Director of Parks, Recreation, and Cemetery Rodney Church shall be the administrative official designated to act as the agent/representative on behalf of the City of Lapeer during project development, and to sign a project agreement (contract) upon receipt of a grant funding Award; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lapeer shall commit to owning/operating the constructed facility and funding/implementing a maintenance plan/program in perpetuity or causing operations and maintenance to occur.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Lapeer shall be responsible for engineering, permits, administration, potential cost overruns, and any non-participating items.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Womack presented the City Commission with a Ribbon Policy for discussion; it will be brought back to the Commission for approval at a future meeting.

40 2024 02-20 SPECIAL EVENT: CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL

Moved by Glisman. Seconded by Swindell.

Approve the Special Event: Chamber of Commerce – Food Truck Festival, as a co-sponsored event.

The City Commission discussed if this event is only a non-profit organization event or could be a co-sponsored event. The Commission expressed that this is a well-attended event and should be a co-sponsored event.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

41 2024 02-20 SPECIAL EVENT: CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - FIREWORKS

Moved by Atwood. Seconded by Swindell.

Approve the Special Event: Chamber of Commerce – Fireworks 2024, as a co-sponsored event.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

42 2024 02-20 SPECIAL EVENT: CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – LAPEER DAYS

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Glisman.

Approve the Special Event: Chamber of Commerce – Lapeer Days 2024, as a co-sponsored event.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

43 2024 02-20 SPECIAL EVENT: KIWANIS – RUBBER DUCK DASH

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Atwood.

Approve the Special Event: Kiwanis– Rubber Duck Dash, as a co-sponsored event.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

44 2024 02-20 SPECIAL EVENT: KIWANIS – FANTASY FOREST

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Glisman.

Approve the Special Event: Kiwanis – Fantasy Forest, as a co-sponsored event.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

45 2024 02-20 SPECIAL EVENT: CHAMBER OF COMMERCE – CHRISTMAS PARADE

Moved by Brady. Seconded by Petrie.

Approve the Special Event: Chamber of Commerce – Christmas Parade, as a co-sponsored event.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

46 2024 02-20 SPECIAL EVENT: STEEL PATRIOTS FRIDAY NIGHT BIKES

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Atwood.

Approve the Special Event: Steel Patriots Motorcycle Club, as a co-sponsor event, subject to providing insurance certificate.

The City Commission held a discussion about the event taking place every Friday night throughout the summer.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Swindell.

Nays: Glisman, Petrie.

MOTION CARRIED 3-2.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

47 2024 02-20 REAPPOINTMENT TO CEMETERY BOARD

Moved by Mayor Marquardt. Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Atwood.

To re-appoint Mike Robinet to the Cemetery Board for a 5-year term to expire on April 1, 2029.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

48 2024 02-20 APPOINTMENT TO BOARD OF REVIEW

Moved by Glisman. Seconded by Petrie.

To appoint Didrik Krogh to the Board of Review for a term to expire January 1, 2025.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie, Swindell.

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The Monthly Departmental Reports were received into the record, as presented.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Petrie: Not against Bike Night, but in favor of compromise.

Commissioner Brady: Looks forward to being wowed by the best Bike Night ever.

Commissioner Glisman: Not against Bike Night; want to make sure she represents the people of the community. Happy Presidents Day: hopes everyone was able to reflect on the two most popular presidents, George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. On this day in 1962, John Glenn Jr. was the first American to orbit the earth. Controversy is good; happy to see so many people in the audience tonight.

Commissioner Atwood: Commissioners should not feel that they have to justify how they vote. It can be difficult to be on the losing side of a 4-1 vote. Respects people who stand up for what they vote for; the public should not bash people for the way they vote. Better be the best dang Bike Night ever and hopes to see the businesses work together.

City Manager Womack: Swam with the sharks last week; this has been one of the better discussion meetings he has had in this career. There were great talking points on both sides.

Mayor Marquardt: Read the list of local events. Grateful to the City Clerk's office and all the election workers who have worked hard on the elections.

49 2024 02-20 ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Swindell .

To adjourn the regular meeting at 7:57 p.m.

Debbie Marquardt, Mayor

Romona Sanchez, City Clerk