

**LAPEER CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 18, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Lapeer City Commission was held on March 18, 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.

City Attorney: T. Allen Francis, present

Mayor Marquardt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

57 2024 03-18 AGENDA APPROVAL

Moved by Glisman. Seconded by Brady.

Approve the Agenda for March 18, 2024, as presented.

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

58 2024 03-18 MINUTES

Moved by Glisman. Seconded by Brady.

Approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 4, 2024, as presented.

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.

Karin Lackey gave an invocation.

Tim Denney spoke about the marihuana odor.

John DeAngelis spoke about the City Attorney being in attendance tonight.

Chris Jadach thanked the Mayor and Commissioners for visiting the Fire House.

Seth and Michelle Groat spoke about the marihuana odor.

59 2024 03-18 CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Atwood. Seconded by Glisman.

Approve the consent agenda for March 18, 2024, as presented:

1. Traffic Control Order 311 - No Parking Signs - Luxington Street.

CITY OF LAPEER
PERMANENT TRAFFIC CONTROL
ORDER NO. 311

Location: Lincoln Street & Luxington Street

Order: Install no parking signs on the west side of Lincoln St as well as the west side of Luxington Street from the intersection of Lincoln and Luxington on the south to Lincoln and Luxington intersection on the north.

Reason: Due to parking on both sides of the street there is a narrow traffic path which creates a road hazard. We have received several citizen complaints from residents regarding this issue. The Department of Public works superintendent advised that by eliminating parking on one side of the street this would allow an efficient snow removal process in the area.

2. Traffic Control Order 312 - No Parking Signs - Peppermill Circle.

CITY OF LAPEER
PERMANENT TRAFFIC CONTROL
ORDER NO. 312

Location: Peppermill Circle & Rosemary Streets

Order: Install no parking signs on the east side of Peppermill Circle starting at the west entrance. Install no parking signs on Peppermill Circle along the north side as the street runs north and south. Install no parking signs on the west side of Peppermill Circle from the east entrance. Install no parking on the north side of Rosemary Street.

Reason: Due to parking on both sides of the street there is a narrow traffic path which creates a road hazard. We have received several citizen complaints from residents regarding this issue. The Department of Public Works superintendent advised that by eliminating parking on one side of the street this would allow an efficient snow-removal process in the area

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

60 2024 03-18 BILL LISTING

Moved by Brady. Seconded by Petrie.

Approve the bill listing for March 18, 2024, in the amount of \$526,018.13.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE.

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

PROCLAMATION, RECOGNITIONS, AND RESOLUTIONS:

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

61 2024 03-18 SECONDHAND DEALER & PAWNBROKER LICENSE

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Atwood.

Mayor to approve a Secondhand Dealer License and Pawnbrokers License for Cash For All Pawn located at 773 East Street, Lapeer.

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

62 2024 03-18 AUDIT SERVICES – REHMANN ROBSON, LLC.

Moved by Brady. Seconded by Swindell.

To approve Rehmann Robson, LLC to provide audit services for the 2023/24, 2024/25, and 2025/26 Fiscal Years and allow the City Manager to sign the proposal.

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

63 2024 03-18 RESOLUTION – KIWANIS CLUB OF LAPEER – DNR GRANTS

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Glisman.

Adopt the resolution supporting the Kiwanis Club of Lapeer’s Inclusive Playground project and applications for DNR Grants.

**CITY OF LAPEER
RESOLUTION # 2024-04
KIWANIS CLUB OF LAPEER INCLUSIVE PLAYGROUND
DNR GRANT RESOLUTION**

WHEREAS, the Lapeer City Commission is in support of the Kiwanis Club of Lapeer Inclusive Playground project, to provide an all-inclusive, accessible, and nature-inspired playground where every child would be able to play regardless of mobility, sensory issues, or any other disability which precludes them from the average playground; and

WHEREAS, the Lapeer City Commission is in support of applying for the following three Department of Natural Resources Grants to help pay for the project: Michigan Natural Resources & Trust Fund, Michigan Recreation Passport, and Land & Water Conservation Fund; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lapeer has committed the property within Rowden Park (formerly tennis courts) for the playground, and upon completion, the City shall adopt the playground as its own providing ongoing inspections and maintenance similarly to the other playgrounds already established in the Lapeer Park System; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lapeer is prepared to expend all costs using Kiwanis Club of Lapeer funding related to the project including, site prep, playground equipment, safety surfacing, landscape, and concrete work, estimated to be 1.5 Million Dollars or at least 25% match required of the grant(s); 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

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

This resolution was adopted on the 18th day of March 2024.

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED. RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

64 2024 03-18 RESOLUTION – DEMOLITION OF 838 S. SAGINAW

Moved by Glisman. Seconded by Swindell.

Adopt the resolution supporting funding partnership with Lapeer County Land Bank for the demolition of 838 S. Saginaw and approve the budget amendment as presented.

**RESOLUTION # 2024-05
838 S. SAGINAW DEMOLITION AND
FUNDING PARTNERSHIP WITH
LAPEER COUNTY LAND BANK**

WHEREAS, the City of Lapeer owns the residential home at 838 S. Saginaw Street and is interested in the demolition of 838 S. Saginaw Street for future public use; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lapeer and Lapeer County Land Bank wish to partner on the demolition project for the future use; and

WHEREAS, the Lapeer County Land Bank has approved a contribution of \$8,400 to the City of Lapeer for such demolition costs for 838 S. Saginaw; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lapeer approves the 2023/2024 FY budget adjustment to accommodate the transfer of funds for this project; and

WHEREAS, said City Commission authorizes the City Manager to sign the related contractual and grant documents for the demolition and authorizes the Director of Housing and Neighborhood Development to manage and administer such project; and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lapeer City Commission authorizes the demolition of 838 S. Saginaw Street, accepts a partnership contribution from the Lapeer County Land Bank of \$8,400 towards the demolition project costs, approves the associated 2023/2024 FY City of Lapeer budget adjustment, and authorizes the City Manager to sign contractual and grant documents on behalf of the City of Lapeer; and authorizes the Director of Housing and Neighborhood Development to manage and administer such project.

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED. RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

None.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

None.

65 2024 03-18 CLOSED SESSION – MCL 15.268(h)

Moved by Glisman. Seconded by Petrie.

To enter a closed session at the conclusion of the regular meeting to discuss a written legal opinion from the City Attorney, which is exempt from disclosure as provided under Section 8 of the Open Meetings Act.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

66 2024 03-18 APPOINTMENT TO PARK BOARD

Moved by Marquardt. Seconded Swindell. Seconded by Glisman.

To re-appoint Tim Herbert and Ashley Fanson to the Park Board for terms to expire on April 1, 2027.

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

67 2024 03-18 APPOINTMENT TO ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Glisman.

To re-appoint Dwayne Burda to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term to expire on April 1, 2027.

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The Monthly Departmental Reports were received into the record.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

None.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Glisman: Thanked the Police and Fire Departments for letting them tour their buildings. Thanked the residents who came here to address the commission. Happy Belated St. Patrick's Day, 10% of Michigan's population has an Irish heritage. It's a wonderful holiday to share. March is Women's History Month.

Commissioner Petrie: Thanked both the Police and Fire Chief for the tour of their building, which was very informative. Commissioners attended CapCon last week, which was very enlightening, and learned a great deal. She knew not to get her hopes up for early spring as she had lived in Michigan too long.

Commissioner Swindell: CapCon was a great event; met with State Senator and State Representatives. Learned how to fight for this smaller City. This event makes one realize how to work with what you have; networking is amazing. We have some of the best department

heads working for the City, who work very hard behind the scenes. With the great weather, people are using the parks.

Commissioner Atwood: CapCon and the MML conference provide the opportunity to speak to other communities and to be able to collaborate with them. Nice to see people with a servant's heart. Thanked City staff for the tour and information they shared with the commissioners today. Regarding the marijuana odor, we hear you and we will figure it out. Thank you to everyone for coming tonight.

City Manager Womack: Solar eclipse is coming on April 8, 2024; we will be in the 98%. Toured the Public Safety Building today and would like to take the Commission to tour the other city buildings as well. Budget meetings will be coming up soon; the first one is March 21, 2024.

Mayor Marquardt: Thanked the public for the comments this evening; nothing is a quick and easy solution, but we hear you and understand. Was unable to attend the tour today but looks forward to attending the others.

CLOSED SESSION

The Lapeer City Commission convened to a closed session to discuss a written legal opinion for the City Attorney, which is exempt from disclosure as provided under Section 8 of the Open Meetings Act at 7:06 p.m. and returned to its regular meeting at 8:28 p.m.

68 2024 03-18 ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Brady.

To adjourn the regular meeting at 8:29 p.m.

Debbie Marquardt, Mayor

Romona Sanchez, City Clerk