

**LAPEER CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
JULY 19, 2021**

A regular meeting of the Lapeer City Commission was held July 19, 2021, at 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 (arrived at 6:32 p.m.), Cattane, Osentoski, Pattison, Stroh.

Absent: None.

City Manager: Dale Kerbyson, present.

City Attorney: Michael Nolan, (arrived at 6:32 p.m.) present.

Mayor Marquardt led the Pledge of Allegiance.

161 2021 07-19 AGENDA APPROVAL

Moved by Stroh. Seconded by Pattison.

Approve the Agenda for July 19, 2021.

Ayes: Atwood, Cattane, Osentoski, Pattison, Stroh.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

162 2021 07-19 MINUTES

Moved by Osentoski. Seconded by Stroh.

Approve the minutes of the regular meeting held July 6, 2021, as presented.

Ayes: Atwood, Cattane, Osentoski, Pattison, Stroh.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Brad Bagans, developer and builder for 244 S. Court and builder for 525 S. Court Street, came to give his opinion of Mr. Darryl Oliver. He stated there have been some negative comments made against Mr. Oliver, however, over the past 30 years, he has dealt with hundreds of building officials' and when he first turned in plans for 244 S. Court, it was difficult for the first couple of reviews. That was because Mr. Oliver knows the code book and he knows it well. He further stated Mr. Oliver has been unbelievable since COVID, and for the past year he has been one of the top inspectors. Mr. Bagans stated he wanted to come today, take time out of his night to say; if he had a City to run, Mr. Oliver is the one he would want to run his building department. He also stated that what both Mr. Oliver and Marilena have done to help and to understand their problems has been great. Mr. Bagans stated again that Mr. Oliver has been unbelievable to work with and he looks forward to working with him again in the future when they expand and on other projects.

Jenny Burkhart, 865 N. Wilder Road, gave an invocation.

163 2021 07-19 CONSENT AGENDA

Moved by Stroh. Seconded by Cattane.

Approve the Consent Agenda for July 19, 2021, resulting in the following:

1. Fixed Asset Disposal – 2012 SCAG Mower.
2. Local Development Finance Authority FY2021-22 Budget.

Ayes: Atwood, Cattane, Osentoski, Pattison, Stroh.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

164 2021 07-19 BILL LISTING

Moved by Cattane . Seconded by Pattison.

Approve the Bill Listing for July 19, 2021, in the amount of \$366,157.10.

Ayes: Atwood, Cattane, Osentoski, Pattison, Stroh.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

165 2021 07-19 BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR FY2021/22

Moved by Oostenoski. Seconded by Pattison.

Approve the Budget Amendments for FY2021/22 as presented:

Ayes: Atwood, Cattane, Osentoski, Pattison, Stroh.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Kerbyson commented he sent an update to the Commission two Friday's ago and sent another this morning and is happy to answer any questions. Commissioner Cattane asked City Manager Kerbyson to thank the demolition company for saving the plaque on White Junior High.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

City Attorney Nolan stated he would like a closed session on August 2, 2021, to update the Commission on the pending legal cases.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

166 2021 07-19 REAPPOINTMENT – LOCAL DEVELOPMENT FINANCE AUTHORITY

Moved by Mayor Marquardt. Motion by Cattane. Seconded by Stroh.

To appoint Andrew Harrington, Gary Phillips, Robert Rowden to the Local Development Finance Authority for a four-year term to expire August 1, 2025.

Ayes: Atwood, Cattane, Osentoski, Pattison, Stroh.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

167 2021 07-19 REAPPOINTMENT – PLANNING COMMISSION

Moved by Mayor Marquardt. Motion by Pattison. Seconded by Cattane.

To appoint Anne Shenck to the Planning Commission for a three-year term to expire August 1, 2024.

Commissioner Osentoski asked how long Ms. Shenck has been serving on the Planning Commission and if anyone else has expressed interest in serving on that board. He continued asking if the City announces the upcoming term expirations to the public so that anyone interested in serving could apply. City Manager Kerbyson stated we are constantly advertising the vacancies of the boards and commission and we keep track of all application filed. Commissioner Stroh stated we do not have term limits on our boards or commission, Mr. Kerbyson agreed, that is a correct statement.

Ayes: Atwood, Cattane, Pattison, Stroh.

Nays: Osentoski.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED 4-1.

DEPARTMENTAL COMMUNICATIONS

The Monthly Departmental Reports, Downtown Development Authority and July 2021 Marihuana Licenses Update were received into record.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Melissa Petrie, 728 Lincoln Street, asked how someone is appointed to a board or commission; do they have to submit resumes; are they interviewed, etc.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Cattane: Bike Night was cancelled last week; car cruise is awesome tonight. White Jr. High topic cannot make everyone happy; glad we as the City were able to help the Lapeer School District. Would like a workshop to discuss ordinances to gain a better understanding of them.

Commissioner Stroh: Many great cultural arts happening in the area; nice to see the arts and events coming back and having people participate; people are hungry for reasons to get together safely; still need to work on the employment issues in our city, possibly a meeting with Chamber of Commerce, DDA and some of the Commissioners to strategize how can we help the businesses gain the workforce needed.

Commissioner Osentoski: Glad to see White Jr. High has been taken down; dog park is breaking ground; nice to hear the fire damage will be cleaned up soon; would like to talk about the land acquisition for the tunnel.

Commissioner Pattison: Nasty year for mosquitos; walk around your property and try to eliminate standing water, it would help a lot.

City Manager Kerbyson: Final insurance company has signed off from the fire damage in the DDA; there is a contract for the demo of the building and removal of the debris which will start the first of next month and is likely it will all be cleaned up by Lapeer Days. As of today, we understand that the building to the east may be taken down as well.

Mayor Marquardt: Sidewalk sales are coming back; many businesses are taking part; come downtown to visit the stores they have a lot to offer. This Friday is Bike Night and there will be events for the children including face painting and a bicycle contest. Rubber Duck Dash will be held on September 11, 2021, at 11:00 a.m. Prior to the event there will be an honor ceremony at 10:30 a.m. for the 20-year anniversary of the September 11 attacks.

168 2021 07-19 ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Cattane.

Adjourn the regular meeting at 6:56 p.m.

Ayes: Atwood, Cattane, Osentoski, Pattison, Stroh.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

The regular meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Debbie Marquardt, Mayor

Romona Sanchez, City Clerk

Tracey S. Russell, Deputy City Clerk