

**LAPEER CITY COMMISSION
MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 20, 2023**

A regular meeting of the Lapeer City Commission was held November 20, 2023, at the Lapeer City Hall, 576 Liberty Park, Lapeer, Michigan. The meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m.

Prior to the start of the regular meeting, Honorable Michael Nolan, 40th Circuit Court Judge presided over the Swearing-In Ceremony of the Commissioners Elect Joshua Atwood, Stefan Brady, Linda Glisman, and Melissa Petrie.

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.

261 2023 11-20 ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM

Moved by Brady. Seconded by Glisman.

To elect Commissioner Atwood as Mayor Pro-Tem.

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

262 2023 11-20 AGENDA APPROVAL

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Petrie.

To approve the agenda for November 20, 2023, as presented.

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

263 2023 11-20 MINUTES

Moved by Glisman. Seconded by Swindell.

To approve the minutes of the regular meeting held November 6, 2023, 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.

Josh Haley, Owosso, gave an invocation.

James Alt, DDA Executive Director, welcomed the new city commissioners and offered to do a tour of the Downtown Development District.

Carol Brown, Mayfield Township read a scripture.

264 2023 11-20 BILL LISTING

Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Petrie.

To approve the bill listing for November 20, 2023, in the amount of \$497,557.30.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

PROCLAMATION, RECOGNITIONS AND RESOLUTIONS:

None.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS:

265 2023 11-20 ROWE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT – ANNROOK PARK AND ROTARY PARK PATHWAYS

Moved by Glisman. Seconded by Swindell.

Approve Rowe Professional Services Company to provide design engineering services for both Annrook Park and Rotary Park pathway rehabilitation projects for a cost not to exceed \$24,500 and authorize the Director of Parks, Recreation, and Cemetery to sign all necessary documents.

ON A ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

266 2023 11-20 DDA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT

Moved by Swindell.

Approve the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Executive Director Employment Contract as approved by the DDA Board on November 15, 2023.

Commissioner Brady and Commissioner Petrie requested that the City Attorney review the contract before approving the DDA contract.

MOTION FAILED DUE TO LACK OF SUPPORT.

267 2023 11-20 DDA EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR – EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT

Moved by Brady. Seconded by Petrie.

To send the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Executive Director Employment Contract to the City Attorney for review.

Ayes: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie.

Nays: Swindell.

MOTION CARRIED 4-1.

268 2023 11-20 REZONING – FROM R-2 SINGLE FAMILY RESIDENTIAL TO B-2 GENERAL BUSINESS PARCEL ID L21-16-550-024-00 (EL COZUMEL, LLC)

Moved by Glisman. Seconded by Swindell.

Adopt an ordinance amendment to Chapter 7 (Zoning Ordinance), Article 7.02.02(a)(36) of the General Ordinances of the City of Lapeer.

THE CITY OF LAPEER ORDAINS:

ARTICLE 7.02 MAPPED DISTRICTS 7.02.02 District Boundaries

(a) Zoning District Amendments

- (36) The following described property formerly zoned R-2 Single-Family Residential is hereby rezoned to B-2 General Business:

Parcel #L21-16-550-024-00: City of Lapeer, SEC 8 T7N R10E Churchill Farms Lot 24.

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Womack had no comments tonight.

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

269 2023 11-20 APPOINTMENT TO DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Appointment by Mayor Marquardt. Moved by Swindell. Seconded by Brady.

To re-appoint Tim Roodvoets and Daniel Sharkey to the Downtown Development Authority for a four-year term to end January 1, 2028.

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

270 2023 11-20 APPOINTMENT TO PLANNING COMMISSION (COMMISSIONER)

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

To appoint Commissioner Swindell to the Planning Commission, term ending with the Commission Appointment (Nov. 2025).

Ayes: Swindell.

Nays: Atwood, Brady, Glisman, Petrie.

MOTION FAILED 1-4.

271 2023 11-20 APPOINTMENT TO PLANNING COMMISSION (COMMISSIONER)

Appointment by Mayor Marquardt. Moved by Glisman. Seconded by Petrie.

To appoint Commissioner Atwood to the Planning Commission, term ending with the Commission Appointment (Nov. 2027).

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

272 2023 11-20 APPOINTMENT TO ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS (COMMISSIONER)

Moved by Glisman. Seconded by Brady.

To appoint Commissioner Petrie to the Zoning Board of Appeals for a term ending with the Commission Appointment (Nov. 2027).

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

Nays: None.

MOTION CARRIED.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

The Monthly Departmental Reports and the Downtown Development Authority Monthly Departmental Report were received into the record.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bryan Cloutier congratulated the newly elected commissioners; this is a humbling experience. Remember this is a non-partisan board, you serve everyone in this community; keep in mind that you need to work with all commissioners, even the ones that have different views. Although the City Manager is an attorney, he is not the City Attorney; as a taxpayer feels that many more things need to be sent to the City Attorney for review and would like to see the City Attorney at these meetings.

Jennelle RaCosta, chair of the Planning Commission, looking forward to the change, hopes that the city is paying attention to the change needed.

MAYOR/COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Petrie: Thanked everyone and has much to be thankful for; Lapeer has a large part of her heart. Attended ladies' night out this past weekend, exciting to see the excitement of the event. Eric Cattane lost his mother this past weekend, please keep him in your thoughts.

Commissioner Swindell: Thanksgiving this week; we have a lot to be thankful for. The Elk's is having a free dinner. Holidays are coming, keep your neighbors in mind; Holiday Depot is ready to help those in need. Elf will be playing at the Pix. Welcome to the newly elected Commissioners, hopes to keep moving forward with the momentum of the last six months.

Commissioner Brady: Thanked those who helped him get to this seat. Grateful that Genesee Street is passable; happy holidays to all.

Commissioner Glisman: Thanked everyone for all their support in getting elected. Looks forward to working with the mayor; looks forward to working with City Manager Womack and the other commissioners. Wished everyone a blessed thanksgiving.

Commissioner Atwood: Wants to honor anyone who has ran for City Commissioner. Thanked the founding fathers and mothers of this City who provided the guidance needed to run this city. Appreciates all the support during the election. It is all about putting the community first, putting the city first and the citizens first. Congratulations to the new commissioners.

City Manager Womack: Congratulated to the new members.

Mayor Marquardt: Read the list of local events. Read a proclamation that was given to the Downtown Development Authority. Wished everyone a happy thanksgiving.

273 2023 11-20 ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Swindell.

Adjourn the regular meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Debbie Marquardt, Mayor

Romona Sanchez, City Clerk