

A regular meeting of the Council for the City of Crystal Falls was held in the Council Chambers of the City Hall on Monday, February 10, 2014 at 5:30 P.M. Central Time.

Roll Call: Mayor Hendrickson, Councilors Sherby, Schiavo, Sommers and Bicigo

Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Olson, Clerk/Treasurer Peltoma, and City Attorney Lawrence.

Mayor Hendrickson led the reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance.

Visitors: Don Peterson updated the Council on the timber sale from the areas around the park, golf course, and other areas. He also brought to the council an idea of a Track and Field project located by Runkle Lake Park.

Councilor Sommers supported by Councilor Schiavo moved to approve the appointment of Mayor Janet Hendrickson, Clerk/Treasurer Peltoma, Gerard Valesano, and Dave Sherby to a joint ad-hoc committee with the Forest Park School representing the track and field facility project.

Ayes: Mayor Hendrickson, Councilors Sherby, Schiavo, Sommers, and Bicigo

Nays: None Absent: None

Motion carried.

MaryAnn Harrington reported on the City hall history project.

Mayor Hendrickson temporarily adjourned the regular meeting to conduct a public hearing on the Amendment to Zoning Ordinance.

Public comment: None

Council comment: Unless cost prohibitive clarification from Councilor Sommers

CLOSED PUBLIC HEARING AT 5:56 pm

Councilor Bicigo supported by Councilor Sommers moved to amend Zoning Ordinance as follows:

3.11 R-2 Residential Two District

1. Intent: The R-2 Residential Two District is established and maintained for low to medium density residential and related uses. ~~These areas will be provided with municipal water.~~ ***Water and wastewater*** services will be provided in areas where infrastructure currently exists ***unless cost prohibitive.***

3.12 R-3 Residential Three District

- I. Intent: The R-3 Residential Three District is established and maintained for medium- to high-density residential and related uses, typically in older residential neighborhoods with small lots. ~~These areas will be provided with municipal water.~~ **Water and wastewater** services will be provided in areas where infrastructure currently exists **unless cost prohibitive.**

3.13 R-4 Residential Four District

- 1. Intent: The R-4 Residential Four District is established and maintained for low-to-medium residential and related uses, typically in areas which have not previously been developed. ~~These areas will be provided with municipal water.~~ **Water and wastewater** services will be provided in areas where infrastructure currently exists **unless cost prohibitive.**

Clustered development, conservation subdivisions, and similar types of development which protect and maintain open space are encouraged in this district.

3.17 I-1 Industrial One District

- 1. Intent: The I-1 Industrial One District is established and maintained for wholesale, warehousing, manufacturing and assembly and similar light industrial uses within completely enclosed buildings in areas which are served by municipal water and sewer where such service currently exists. Uses in the I-1 District generally do not produce noise, odors, light, smoke or other impacts which extend beyond the boundary of the district.
- 2. Permitted Principal Uses:
 - a. Automobile repair garage
 - b. Automobile parts and tire sales
 - c. Bottling works
 - d. Building materials sales and storage
 - e. Commercial printing and publishing
 - f. Drop forging, punching and plating operation
 - g. Freight handling facility
 - h. Jobbing and machine shop
 - i. Manufacturing and assembly
 - j. Public utility building
 - k. Research and development establishment
 - l. Retail warehouse outlet
 - m. Warehouse, self storage
 - n. Wholesale and warehousing
 - o. Professional buildings**

Ayes: Mayor Hendrickson, Councilors Sherby, Schiavo, Sommers, and Bicigo

Nays: None Absent: None

Motion carried.

Mayor Hendrickson reported to the council the highlights of the DDA meeting held earlier in the day.

Councilor Sherby supported by Councilor Sommers moved to adopt the following Resolution:

A Resolution in Support of

urging the Legislature to use the state budget surplus to restore funds to local governments

Whereas, the City of Crystal Falls has experienced a significant decline in property tax values, which has caused unprecedented fiscal constraints; and

Whereas, at the same time the City of Crystal Falls has confronted consistent reductions in State Shared Revenue, as part of the cuts to State Shared Revenue state-wide; and

Whereas, due to this unrelenting fiscal pressure, the City of Crystal Falls has been compelled to reduce the level of municipal services historically provided to the residents, businesses and schools in our community; and

Whereas, these municipal services protect the health, safety and welfare of our citizens, and are an essential component of building a strong local economy and maintaining a vibrant community; and

Whereas, on January 10, 2014 a state budget surplus was announced which in part is a result of the governor and Legislature taking \$6 billion over the past decade that by law was supposed to go to local communities to fund local police and fire services, road maintenance, snow plowing, drinking water systems, and more.

Now, Therefore, Be it Resolved, that the City of Crystal Falls urges the Legislature to partner with local communities to enable them to provide essential services, such as police and fire, invest in critical infrastructure improvements, and create vibrant places that attract and retain talent.

Be It Further Resolved, that the City of Crystal Falls urges the Legislature to take ownership of the fact that by taking local revenues to plug holes in the state budget, they have helped create the fiscal crises facing many local communities across Michigan, even as spending on the state budget has increased 26 percent in the past decade or so. This is a critical time to reinvest in communities.

Be It Finally Resolved, that the City of Crystal Falls strongly urges the Legislature to restore funds to local governments, and to fix Michigan's broken municipal finance system.

Ayes: Mayor Hendrickson, Councilors Sherby, Schiavo, Sommers, and Bicigo

Nays: None Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Sherby supported by Councilor Bicigo moved to approve the appointment of Paul Dalpra, Betty Soderberg, and Cheryl Teeters to serve on the Theatre Board for a 3 year terms.

Ayes: Mayor Hendrickson, Councilors Sherby, Schiavo, Sommers, and Bicigo

Nays: None Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Sommers seconded by Councilor Sherby moved that the items on the Consent Agenda be approved as noted below:

1. The following reports for the month of January 2014:
 - A. Regular meeting of January 13, 2014.
 - B. Police report, as submitted by Police Chief Robert Sherwin, indicating 86 complaints, of which 1 was closed by arrest, 8 parking ticket issued, and logging of 1,212 miles on patrol duty.
 - C. Public Works Department activity report as submitted by Foreman Kelly Stankewicz.
 - D. Electric Department activity report as submitted by Chief Electrician David Graff.
 - E. Treasurer's Revenue Report as submitted City Treasurer Tara Peltoma.
 - F. Payrolls and disbursements in the amount of

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\$555,439.31, and instruct the City Clerk to draw checks on the City Treasury in payment of same.

Ayes: Mayor Hendrickson, Councilors Sherby, Schiavo, Sommers, and Bicigo
Nays: None Absent: None

Motion carried.

Councilor Sommers seconded by Councilor Sherby moved to adjourn this meeting.

Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

PRESIDING OFFICER _____

PRESIDING CLERK _____