

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on Monday, March 5, 2001 in Council Chambers, 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1976.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Mayor Hartsock.

PRESENT: Bush, Campbell, Hartsock, McShane, Mitchell.

ABSENT: None.

CITY REPRESENTATIVES PRESENT: Clerk/Treasurer Cantrell, Director Goss, Director Gushman, City Manager Lauhoff, Attorney Schultz.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Two Boy Scouts from Longacre Elementary School were present to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Hartsock thanked them for their participation and gave them each a City pencil and pin and complimentary passes to the Civic Theatre.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

03-01-374 MOTION by Bush, seconded by Mitchell, to approve the agenda as submitted. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

03-01-375 MOTION by McShane, seconded by Campbell, to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of February 19, 2001 and the Special Joint meeting of February 13, 2001 with Farmington/Farmington Hills Council and School Board as submitted. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PRESENTATION: MAYORAL PHOTOGRAPH: ANGELA CORSI, MISS FARMINGTON OAKLAND COUNTY 2000-2001

Ginny Morris, Executive Director Miss Farmington/Oakland County Scholarship Pageant 2001, was present and discussed the recent success of the chili cook-off. She also requested and received agreement from Council member McShane to judge the 2001 Miss Farmington Beauty pageant. Ms. Morris discussed the careers of three former contestants and then introduced the current Miss Farmington, Angela Corsi.

Angela presented the mayoral portrait, donated by Focal Point to Council.

RRRASOC ANNUAL REPORT – MR. MICHAEL CSAPO, GENERAL MANAGER

Mr. Csapo reviewed last year's activities which included several hazardous waste events and a pilot program whereby used computers could be dropped off at a designated site. He commended the City of Farmington for setting a new diversion record of 38.5% which means 2100 tons of waste did not go to a landfill. He further stated that the City of Farmington not only has an excellent record for recycling, but also has one of the highest "drop-off" participation rates during hazardous waste events. He stated that a pilot program was initiated in Southfield whereby textiles can be dropped off.

Mr. Csapo responded to questions from Council regarding textile drop-off sites; business use of used computer drop-off sites; and the use of our landfills by other states and Canada.

Council thanked Mr. Csapo for his presentation.

PRESENTATION: PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT ANNUAL REPORT FOR 2000 – GARY GOSS, DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Director Goss stated crime in the City of Farmington is at an all time low. He also stated that the Part I crimes (serious crimes of a felony nature) declined 15.6%. He indicated there has been a steady decline in crime over the last ten years. He further stated that our crimes have been consistently lower than the average for the State of Michigan. He stated there were six armed robberies in the year 2000, an increase over previous years. He reviewed last year's crime statistics that included a decrease in the number of breaking and entering crimes and a decrease in larceny crimes, mainly involving vehicles. He continued discussion regarding Part II crimes (misdemeanor in nature) which have decreased 7.8%. He next addressed Part III crimes (calls for service) where there was a slight increase of less than 1%. He stated the City of Farmington experienced 38 fires, an average amount, however, fire loss was up significantly. Finally, Director Goss discussed current vacancies within the department.

Council expressed their appreciation to Director Goss and his department for their fine efforts and service.

MINUTES OF OTHER BOARDS

03-01-376 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Bush, to receive and file the minutes of the following Boards and Commissions.

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- Board of Zoning Appeals minutes of February 7, 2001.
- Farmington Employees Retirement System Board of Trustees minutes of February 15, 2001.
- Commission on Children, Youth and Families minutes of February 1, 2001.
- Farmington Area Arts Commission minutes of February 15, 2001.
- Farmington Community Library Board of Trustees minutes of January 11, 2001.
- Governor Warner Mansion Committee minutes of January 17, 2001 and Special Budget Meeting minutes of January 24, 2001.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

QUARTERLY UPDATES

COUNTY COMMISSIONER TERRY SEVER.

Commissioner Sever stated the County has experienced reorganization in the last couple of months resulting in better working relationships and environment. He discussed a current study being done on the renovation of the County jail that will provide an additional 40 beds. He added that the County has also acquired a helicopter for the Sheriff's department. He discussed judicial matters including the drunk driving issue. He addressed the County's current infrastructure program, whereby reimbursements are provided for programs that meet specific qualifications; and offered to assist the City of Farmington in this program. He also offered support with regard to the Farmington road construction. He stated there are appointment opportunities at the County and asked Council for recommendations. Commissioner Sever discussed the "Call to Action Coalition" on drunk driving issues.

GOVERNOR WARNER MANSION COMMITTEE CO-CHAIRS PENNY LEHTO AND JIM MCGLINCY.

Penny Lehto, Co-Chair of the Governor Warner Mansion Committee, stated that Ms. Klingbeil and Mr. Slocum, grandchildren of Governor Warner, committed \$10,000 to the museum last year with the stipulation that the Committee raise matching funds; the Committee achieved this goal. Co-chair Lehto indicated the activities at the Mansion this year include two teacher workshops on site; Hillside Third Graders participating as docents; the "Magical Mystery Bus Tour" during the Founder's Festival, along with food and displays; and "Tea on the Lawn". She discussed the budget and the various expenses for this year.

Jim McGlincy, Co-Chair of the Governor Warner Mansion Committee, discussed sources of revenue for the Mansion. He stated that in order to receive grant money, the Mansion would need to stay open 120 days a year, however, for this to occur, more docents would need to be recruited. He stated the library is seeking a grant from Ameritech that would provide the digitization of historical records. He indicated that the

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events held at the Mansion are geared to raising revenues and increasing attendance. He discussed various sources of revenue for the Mansion including wedding fees, memberships and local business contributions. He stated some of the fundraisers currently being considered are pavers, lighted ceramic mansions and corporate sponsorships.

Council commended the Governor Warner Mansion Committee for their effort and hard work.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

CONSIDERATION OF RESIGNATION FROM ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS.

03-01-377 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by McShane, to accept the resignation of Dora Tolbert from the Zoning Board of Appeals and send a letter thanking her for her service to the City. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

03-01-378 MOTION by McShane, seconded by Campbell, to appoint Dan Penning to the Governor Warner Mansion Committee for a non-expiring term. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

LETTER FROM ANN MARIE MATHEWS, GENERAL MANAGER, HURON RIVER HUNTING AND FISHING CLUB, REQUESTING PERMISSION FOR SPECIAL OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES. Administration reviewed the request and proposed events, noting that the City Fire Marshall will review the location of the tents and outdoor operation for compliance with State and local ordinances.

David Seror, Huron River Hunting and Fishing Club Director, was present to answer questions regarding the request.

03-01-379 MOTION by Bush, seconded by Mitchell, to grant permission for special outdoor events and tents at the Huron River Hunting and Fishing Club; Men's Classic Car Stag on June 12, 2001; Cigar Dinner on June 21, 2001; Clambake on August 12, 2001 as described in the request. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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LETTER FROM SUZANNE LICHTMAN, FOUNDERS FESTIVAL ADMINISTRATOR, RE: SPECIAL EVENT PERMIT. The annual Founders Festival will take place this year on the dates of July 18-21, 2001. Included in this year's permit request is the addition of special activities to be held in the Municipal parking lot on the north side of State Street. Special outdoor liquor control license permits will be arranged through the Festival Administrator. This permit also continues the use of banners across Grand River both east and west of Farmington Road.

Administration recommends that City Council grant a Special Event Permit for the Farmington Area Founders Festival.

Suzanne Lichtman was present to respond to questions from Council. Discussion focused on the ox roast and serving alcoholic beverages at this event. City Manager Lauhoff stated controls on alcoholic beverages would be in place.

03-01-380 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Bush, to grant a Special Event Permit for the Farmington Area Founders Festival for dates of July 18-21, 2001; authorize the closing of Shiawassee between Power Road and Farmington Road (east) between 10:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., July 19, for Kids' Day in the Park; authorize the Department of Public Safety to apply for the permit necessary to close Grand River Avenue from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 21, for the purpose of conducting parade activities; authorize events surrounding Festival activities to close no later than 11:00 p.m.; hold the State of Michigan Department of Transportation harmless for liability which may result in the closing of Grand River; and authorize City departments to provide the service required for the Farmington Area Founders Festival. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council welcomed Suzanne to the Festival Board.

REQUEST FROM KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS RE: PERMISSION TO CONDUCT ANNUAL FUND DRIVE. Administration recommended granting permission for this annual fundraising event.

03-01-381 MOTION by Mitchell, seconded by McShane, to grant permission to the Knights of Columbus, St. Francis Council No. 4401, to solicit for their annual fund drive on April 6, 7, and 8, 2001 in the City of Farmington. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

LETTER FROM JOHN S. CRISSMAN, JR., POPPY CHAIRMAN, GROVES-WALKER POST #346, AMERICAN LEGION RE: POPPY DAYS SALE AND PROCLAMATION. Administration recommended granting permission for this annual fundraising event.

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03-01-382 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Bush, to grant permission to the Groves-Walker Post #346, American Legion, to conduct their annual Poppy Days sale on May 17, 18, and 19, 2001 and to proclaim these dates as "Poppy Days" in the City of Farmington. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ORDINANCE ADOPTION

CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. C-681-2001 TO AMEND CHAPTER 2, ADMINISTRATION, ARTICLE III, TO PROVIDE FOR MINIMUM EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS OF PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS.

03-01-383 MOTION by Bush, seconded by Mitchell, to adopt Ordinance No. C-681-2001, to amend Chapter 2, Administration, Article III, to provide for the minimum employment standards of Public Safety Officers. [SEE ATTACHED ORDINANCE].

ROLL CALL

AYES: Campbell, Hartsock, McShane, Mitchell, Bush.
NAYS: None.
ABSENT: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

REPORTS FROM CITY MANAGER

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION TO SUPPORT THE OAKLAND COUNTY SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN. Administration advised that Michigan's Public Act 451 requires that each county prepare a 5-year update of their County Solid Waste Management Plan. The Oakland County Solid Waste Planning Committee has prepared this Plan, holding over two years of meetings, public hearings and the required 90-day comment period. The proposed Update of 1999 provides for access to the landfill capacity needed by our communities and business for the next 10 years without resorting to siting any new landfills within our boundaries. The Oakland County Board of Commissioners approved the proposed update of 1999 on June 15, 2000. Approval by at least 67% of the local units of government in the county is required in order for the county to then submit the Plan to the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality. The Resource, Recovery, Recycling Authority of Southeast Oakland County (RRRASOCC) Board of Directors, which is comprised of the City Managers from all member communities, has recommended unanimously that member local governments approve this plan update.

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03-01-384 MOTION by McShane, seconded by Campbell, to adopt the attached resolution approving Oakland County Solid Waste Management Plan Update of 1999. [SEE ATTACHED RESOLUTION]. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH EMPLOYMENT STANDARDS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS. Administration advised that City Council adopted an ordinance to amend the employment standards for Public Safety Officers on the recommendation of the Director of Public Safety and city administration; the ordinance stated that minimum employment standards would be established by City Council resolution.

03-01-385 MOTION by Mitchell, seconded by Campbell, to adopt the attached resolution setting forth minimum employment standards for Public Safety Officers. [SEE ATTACHED RESOLUTION]. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CONSIDERATION OF BID PROPOSAL FOR 2001 ROAD PAVING PROGRAM. Administration advised that bid documents were prepared by City engineers, Orchard, Hiltz and McCliment, Inc., for the 2001 Road Paving Program. Administration further indicated that this would complete the resurfacing of all streets in the Bel-Aire Hills subdivision.

City administration, with the Public Service Director and City Engineer, recommended that City Council award the 2001 Road Program to the low bidder, Detroit Concrete Products Company of Milford, Michigan.

03-01-386 MOTION by Mitchell, seconded by Bush, to award the bid for the 2001 Road Paving Program to the low bidder, Detroit Concrete Products Company of Milford, Michigan, in the amount of \$433,223.38; funds to be provided from the Municipal Street Fund and Local Street Fund for fiscal year 2000-2001.

ROLL CALL

Ayes: Hartsock, McShane, Mitchell, Bush, Campbell.
Nays: None.
Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MISCELLANEOUS

PUBLIC COMMENT.

There were no public comments.

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COUNCIL COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Council agreed to bowl in the Special Olympics Team Farmington Bowl-A-Thon on April 7th, at 10:00 A.M. at the Drakeshire Lanes.

FARMINGTON EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM ACTUARIAL CONTRIBUTION REPORT. Administration advised that the Retirement System Board of Trustees received an actuarial valuation report for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2000; contribution to the Retirement System for the 2001-2002 fiscal year was certified to be \$9,873.

03-01-387 MOTION by McShane, seconded by Mitchell, to receive and file the Farmington Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustee's certification of the required annual contribution to the Farmington Employees' Retirement System for the 2001-2002 fiscal year. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPROVE MONTHLY PAYMENTS REPORT

03-01-388 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Mitchell, to approve the Monthly Payments Report for February 2001. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

ADJOURNMENT

03-01-389 MOTION by Bush, seconded by McShane, to adjourn the meeting. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting adjourned at 9:19 p.m.

WILLIAM S. HARTSOCK, MAYOR

PATSY K. CANTRELL, CITY CLERK/TREASURER

