

**CITY OF MASON
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF JULY 5 2005**

Naeyaert called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 201 W. Ash Street, Mason, Michigan. Bruno led the Pledge of Allegiance and offered the invocation.

Present: Councilmembers: Bruno, Clark, Coady, Johnson, Mulvany, Naeyaert, Whipple
Absent: Councilmember: None
Also present: Martin Colburn, City Administrator
Kathy Revels, Finance Director
Dennis McGinty, City Attorney
Ken Baker, DPW Superintendent
Deborah Cwierniewicz, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: JUNE 20, 2005

The Regular Meeting Minutes of June 20, 2005 were approved as corrected.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

MOTION by Coady, seconded by Johnson,
To approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$131,482.37 as submitted.
MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

PEOPLE FROM THE FLOOR

Susan Hill, Capitol Area District Library (CADL) Director commented briefly on the status of the library and expressed her appreciation for the work that has been done. Ms. Hill stated that it is CADL's intent to open the library next week.

Elaine Ruckel of 872 Walker Rd., Dansville, stated that she is a long time employee of the Mason Library and that she is very happy with the clean building.

REGULAR BUSINESS

Public Hearing of Apportionment – Special Assessment Project 2005-5

Naeyaert opened and closed the public hearing at 7:47 p.m. as there were no comments.

Special Assessment Resolution No. 5, Project No. 2005-5 – Coventry Woods Street Lighting District

Special Assessment Resolution No. 5, Project No. 2005-5 was introduced by Bruno and seconded by Mulvany.

CITY OF MASON

COVENTRY WOODS STREET LIGHTING DISTRICT
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT RESOLUTION NO. 5
PROJECT 2005-5
July 5, 2005

WHEREAS, pursuant to due notice to all interested parties, this City Council did meet on Monday, June 6, 2005, in the City Hall, 201 West Ash Street, Mason, Michigan, for the purpose of reviewing the special assessment roll and hearing any objections thereto for the Coventry Woods Street Lighting Special Assessment District - 2005-5; and

WHEREAS, at the time and place designated for said meeting, the meeting was duly called to order and the opening of the hearing for objections to the special assessment roll, prepared by the City Assessor and on file with the City Clerk, was announced, said roll assessing the annual cost of operating and maintaining the street lighting district improvements against the benefiting properties; and

WHEREAS, objections were heard or filed in writing with the City Clerk and the following adjustment or corrections, if any, were made:

and

WHEREAS, the City Council now desires to confirm the special assessment roll attached hereto as **Exhibit A**.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

1. The City Council hereby designates the special assessment district as the Coventry Woods Street Lighting District Special Assessment District - 2005-5.

2. The special assessment roll as prepared and reported to the City Council by the City Assessor shall be designated as the Coventry Woods Street Lighting District Special Assessment Roll 2005-5 in the initial amount of \$2,461.20 or \$35.67 per lot, plus a ten percent (10%) administrative fee or \$39.24 per lot, and is hereby adopted and confirmed, and the City Clerk is hereby directed to endorse thereon this date of confirmation.

3. The special assessment roll shall be a periodic annual assessment against each benefiting property described in the roll. The first annual assessment shall be due on July 1, 2005, and subsequent installments shall be due on July 1 of each succeeding year thereafter. Special assessments may be paid in full on or before August 31, 2005, without interest. Thereafter, annual installments of the special assessment roll shall bear interest at the rate of three percent (3%) per annum, commencing on September 1, 2005, payable annually on the due date of each installment after the first installment. If any installment is not paid when due then the same shall be deemed to be delinquent and there shall be collected thereon in addition to the interest above provided, a penalty at the rate of one percent (1%) for each month or fraction thereof that the same remains unpaid before being reported for reassessment upon the City tax roll. In the event the City Council determines that it is in the best interest of the district and the City at large to issue bonds pledging the receipts of said special assessment roll and the full faith and credit of the City; then and in that event, the interest on the unpaid installments shall be adjusted to not more than one percent (1%) greater than the average interest rate at which the bonds were sold. Said interest shall be payable annually on each installment due date.

4. The annual installments to be assessed against the benefiting property owners to operate and maintain the street lighting project will be subject to periodic redeterminations of cost by the Mason City Council without further notice or hearing to owners of record or parties in interest in the property, which periodic redetermination of cost will be made by the City Council at the date of the hearing of the annual city budget held in May of each year; provided, however, that should any annual increase in the assessment exceed 10%, the City Council will provide a supplemental notice and hearing on the assessment roll.

5. Any of the unpaid balances due on the special assessment roll may be paid in full on any installment date, together with interest due to said payment date.

6. The assessments made in said special assessment roll are hereby ordered and directed to be collected. The City Clerk shall deliver the special assessment roll to the City Finance Director/Treasurer with the proper warrant attached, commanding the City Finance Director/Treasurer to collect the assessments therein in accordance with the directions of the City Council with respect thereto, and the City Finance Director/Treasurer is authorized and directed to collect the amounts assessed as they become due pursuant to the terms of this resolution and the provisions of the applicable statutes of the State of Michigan.

7. All resolutions and parts of resolutions insofar as they conflict with the provisions of this resolution be, and the same are, hereby rescinded.

Yes (7) Bruno, Clark, Coady, Johnson, Mulvany, Naeyaert, Whipple
No (0)

CLERK’S CERTIFICATION: I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and accurate copy of a resolution adopted by the City Council at its regular meeting held Tuesday, July 5, 2005, the original of which is part of the City Council minutes.

Martin Colburn, Clerk
City of Mason
Ingham County, Michigan

RESOLUTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution No. 2005-41 – Approval of Purchase of Vehicles

Resolution No. 2005-41 was introduced by Bruno and seconded by Mulvany.

MOTION by Bruno, second by Johnson,
To amend Resolution No. 2005-41 by striking the words, “a total cost of \$36,662.70 through the Oakland County Bid Contract,” and inserting, “\$12,838.90 each.”

Yes (7) Bruno, Clark, Coady, Johnson, Mulvany, Naeyaert, Whipple
No (0)

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

**CITY OF MASON
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2005 - 41**

APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF VEHICLES

July 5, 2005

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the City of Mason to schedule the replacement of vehicles within the motor vehicle pool; and

WHEREAS, the scheduled replacement of three (3) full size pickups and one (1) police cruiser was planned for in the approved Fiscal Year 2005 – 2006 Budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mason City Council does hereby approve the purchase of three (3) Chevrolet 2006 Silverado trucks for \$12,838.90 each, and one (1) Chevrolet 2006 Impala police car for \$16,889.30 from Andrews Chevrolet.

Yes (7) Bruno, Clark, Coady, Johnson, Mulvany, Naeyaert, Whipple
No (0)

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Discussion – Research the Need for a Park Commission

A brief discussion was held regarding the need for a Park Commission. It was the consensus

of the Council to direct staff to begin drafting an ordinance to broaden the scope of the Tree Commission to include city parks.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Council directed staff to provide a report at the next meeting regarding refuse refunds that are given to requesting residents that leave the city for a portion of the year.

NEW BUSINESS

City Council congratulated Administrator Colburn for his six year employment anniversary with the City of Mason.

CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence was distributed.

LIAISON REPORTS

None.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Colburn informed the Council on current city issues. Further discussion ensued regarding remediation and the reopening of the library. It was the consensus of the Council that the library would open July 18, 2005. Sue Hill stated that July 18, 2005 was an agreeable date to set to reopen the library.

PEOPLE FROM THE FLOOR

Karen Oswald of 839 Miami stated that she has worked at the Mason library for the past six years. She is looking forward to the library opening and thanked Mr. Colburn and the Council for cleaning the library.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:57 pm.

Martin A. Colburn, City Clerk

Robin C. Naeyaert, Mayor