

**CITY OF MASON
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF JULY 1, 2019**

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

Present: Councilmembers: Brown, Droscha, Ferris, Madden, Schaffer, Vogel, Whipple
Absent: Councilmembers: None
Also present: Deborah S. Stuart, City Manager, Sarah J. Jarvis, City Clerk

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

PRESENTATION

Cheryl Lindemann the Head Librarian at the Mason Capital Area District Library (CADL) Branch presented the 2018 CADL Annual Report to the council and gave an overview of the library's performance during 2018.

MOTION by Brown, second by Droscha,
to receive and file the 2018 Annual Report for the Capital Area District Library.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION by Brown, second by Droscha,
to approve the Consent Calendar as revised with moving item C1 – Approval of Bills to New Business.

- A. Minutes:
 - 1. Approve Minutes of Regular Council Meeting June 17, 2019
- B. Correspondence:
 - 1. Receipt of City Attorney's Report Dated June 28, 2019
- C. Financials:
 - 1. Approve Bills in the Amount of \$155,118.82 – MOVED TO NEW BUSINESS
- D. Right of Ways Requests:
 - 1. Approve Use of Public Right-of-Way for Down Home Days Courthouse Show on September 21, 2019
- E. Traffic Control Orders:
 - 1. Approve Traffic Control Order 19-02 to post the speed limit in Summerwood Subdivision
 - 2. Approve Traffic Control Order 19-03 to post a yield sign on Sparkling Brook Boulevard at the intersection with Riverwalk Drive

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

A. Amend Existing Purchase Agreement with Deena Parker for Temple Street Property and Authorize the City Representatives to Make Minor Modifications and to Execute the Document (Information to be provided at meeting)

Manager Stuart provided a verbal update on this project. Deena Parker has requested a 90-day extension to submit a site plan. This will allow her the extra time to go through the zoning and site plan review process. Ms. Parker will also waive the deposit fee for not meeting the original due date.

MOTION by Droscha, second by Brown,
to Amend Existing Purchase Agreement with Deena Parker for Temple Street Property with
Authorizing a 90-day Extension to Submit a Site Plan and Authorize the City Representatives to
Make Minor Modifications and to Execute the Document.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

B. Approve Bills in the Amount of \$155,118.82

MOTION by Brown, second by Droscha,
to Approve Bill in the Amount of \$155,118.82

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

- Ferris reported that the cemetery opening and closing rates will be increasing effective July 1, 2019
- Ferris reminded everyone of this year's amended parade route for the 4th of July Parade
- Schaffer had concerns regarding the parking on Ash Street during the parade. Stuart directed him to speak to the Chamber of Commerce
- Whipple acknowledged his appreciation for all the Townships, Mason Area Ambulance and City Departments for assisting and responding to today's fire at the Depot.
- Vogel said that she planned to watch the webinar on the new Recreation Marijuana Regulations and asked that the Council revisit this subject again now that the new regulations are in place.

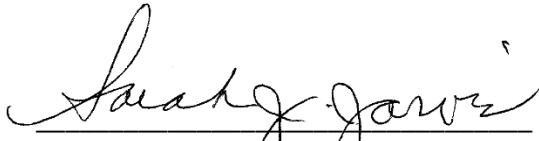
MANAGERS REPORT (6/28/2019)

- Stuart reported that a building permit was requested from Franklin Farms and that it will be denied based on an inactive condo association and several other concerns.
- Stuart reported that the AFSCME Union negotiations are currently in process. A continuing agreement has been signed to extend the contract which is allowed as part of the current agreement.
- Vogel asked for clarification on the Gestamp property tax petition. Stuart explained that this was only one tax abatement that had expired on the several Gestamp has.
- Vogel asked for additional information on the 154 W. Maple Street (Shoe Store) project. Stuart explained that there is gap that can't be met with Financing and Funding. Work is still being done to seek additional funding from the State.
- Brown asked for an updated on the WWTP and rain event that occurred on June 20. Stuart said that there was about a 24-hour period where there was discharge into the Rayner Drain from the waste water

treatment plant. This discharge should have been fairly diluted due to the influx of stormwater into the plant. Stuart said that an evaluation will need to be done regarding sump pumps connected into the City's sewer system. There were about seven homeowners who reported sewer back-up in their homes.

- **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.



Sarah J. Jarvis, City Clerk