

**CITY OF MASON
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2019**

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ann Campbell of 227 E. Cherry Street spoke on concerns she had regarding a tall vegetation notice she received. She feels she is not in violation as her “vegetation” is a flower bed which is not in violation of the city ordinances. Mayor Whipple encouraged Ms. Campbell to continue working with City staff to resolve this issue.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION by Vogel, second by Brown,
to approve the Consent Calendar as presented

- A. Minutes:
 - 1. Approve Minutes of Regular Council Meeting August 19, 2019
- B. Correspondence:
 - 1. Receipt of City Attorney’s Report Dated September 5, 2019
- C. Financials:
 - 1. Approve Bills in the Amount of \$224,245.60

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Discussion on Staining and Sealing the Rayner Park Play Structure (Schaffer)

MOTION by Schaffer, second by Vogel,
to amend the budget up to \$10,000 to stain and seal the play structure at Rayner Park and to have the work completed before the end of 2019.

Yes (2) Schaffer, Vogel
No (5) Brown, Droscha, Ferris, Madden, Whipple

MOTION FAILED

NEW BUSINESS

None

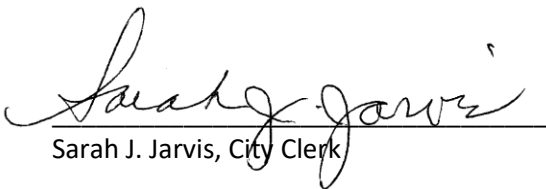
COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

- Vogel reported the Historical District Commission has been cancelled this month due to lack of time sensitive business.
- Vogel wanted to inform residents that the CBD Oil being sold at a local store is a hemp product.
- Vogel raised concerns regarding water bills that she had received.
- Madden reported that the Zoning Board of Appeals met to discuss requested building permits for 934 and 965 Franklin Farms Drive. The permits have been tentatively approved pending the retention basins be brought up to standards.
- Schaffer inquired about an agenda for the MML City Meeting – Mayor Whipple stated there was no agenda available now but there will be one closer to the meeting.
- Ferris reminded everyone of the upcoming Mason Down Home Days Festival September 19 – 22.
- Droscha reported that the Mason Brass Quartet will be performing on Saturday, September 21, 2019 at 4:00 p.m. during Down Home Days at Rayner Park's Band Shell. Rain location is the United Methodist Church.

MANAGERS REPORT (9/06/2019)

- Stuart reminded everyone of the City of Mason Open House to take place on Saturday, October 12, 2019 from 10:00 am. – 2:00 p.m. and urged all Council members to attend.
- Stuart reported that a meeting was held with our Health Insurance Carrier regarding this year's renewal and there was an increase of about 6%. There will be no changes for this year, but we will need to start looking at other options for next year to help control rising costs.
- Stuart asked for feedback on the Manager Summary report on whether the information being provided is enough or too much.

The meeting adjourned at 8:11 p.m.


Sarah J. Jarvis, City Clerk