

**CITY OF MASON
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF DECEMBER 16, 2019**

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

Present: Councilmembers: Brown, Droscha, Ferris, Madden Schaffer, Vogel
Absent: Whipple
Also present: Deborah S. Stuart, City Manager, Sarah J. Jarvis, City Clerk

PUBLIC COMMENT

Gary Evans of 325 Willow Street spoke on behalf of the Mason Pickleball Group. He encouraged the Council to consider including in the long-term Park and Recreation Plan the building of dedicated Pickleball Courts. He also asked that in the short-term consideration be given to repair the existing Tennis courts that have been adapted to Pickleball Courts. Mr. Evans provided pictures showing the large gaps on the courts that could have the potential to cause injury if someone were to step in them.

PRESENTATION

A. Presentation by Bob Ford, LAP on the Parks, Recreation, and Non-Motorized DRAFT Plan.

Bob Ford of Landscape Architects and Planners, Inc. of Lansing came and presented the Draft Plan for the City of Mason's Parks, Recreation and Non-Motorized Plan. A copy of this plan is available on the City's Website as well as at the Customer Service desk. It is tentatively planned for a Public Hearing to take place at the City Council meeting on January 20, 2020, with an anticipated approval date by the first part of February to allow time for this to be submitted to the DNR for consideration of grants.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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

- A. Minutes:
 - 1. Approve Minutes of Regular Council Meeting December 2, 2019
- B. Correspondence:
 - 1. Receipt of City Attorney's Report Dated December 13, 2019
 - 2. Receipt of Local Officers Compensation Commission (LOCC) Determination of No Compensation Increase for Elected Officials
- C. Financials:
 - 1. Approve Bills in the Amount of \$147,764.46
 - 2. Receipt of Monthly Revenue and Expenditure Report for Period Ending November 30, 2019
 - 3. Approve Purchase of Precinct Tabulator (ICP) and Other Related Equipment in the Amount of \$5295.00 from Dominion Voting Equipment/Election Source
 - 4. Approve award of Farm Lease to Steve Lott Farms and Authorization of the City Manager to Execute the Lease

Yes (6) Brown, Droscha, Ferris, Madden, Schaffer, Vogel

No (0)

Absent (1) Whipple

MOTION APPROVED

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

A. Approve the Recommendation to Deny Request from James Bonfiglio for the City to File a Chapter 8 Petition with the Ingham County Drain Commissioner

MOTION by Droscha, second by Ferris,
to approve the Recommendation to Deny Request from James Bonfiglio for the City to File a Chapter 8 Petition with the Ingham County Drain Commissioner

Yes (6) Brown, Droscha, Ferris, Madden, Schaffer, Vogel

No (0)

Absent (1) Whipple

NEW BUSINESS

None

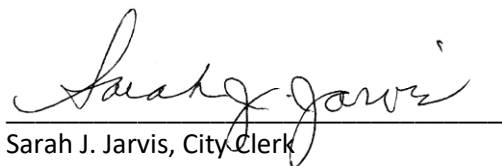
COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

- Vogel reported that the Historical District Commission met and discussed the Work Plan and how they are going to move forward into 2020.
- Brown reported that he participated in the first Mason Public Schools Diversity Committee. This committee is made up of wide variety of stakeholders (teachers, community members, students, etc.). Brown said that as the committee continues to meet that he will report back to the Council.

MANAGERS REPORT (11/27/2019)

Stuart brought attention to the Joint Recognition Ceremony that will take place on February 3, 2020 and the nomination form that was in the packet. She also asked the Council to express any thoughts they may have on whether this event should be moved to a new location. The event has continued to grow every year and we are out growing the Sycamore Rooms capacity. Council members were asked to provide any feedback on this to the City Manager.

The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.



Sarah J. Jarvis, City Clerk