

**CITY OF MASON
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 3, 2020**

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: None
Also present: Deborah S. Stuart, City Manager, Sarah J. Jarvis, City Clerk

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Robin Naeyaert of 18 Aviemore Drive introduced herself as a member of the County Board of Commissioners and that she was attending the meeting to learn more about Oil & Gas Proposed CAPEX 3-16 Drilling Permit in Vevay Township as well as the City of Mason Parks, Recreation and Non-Motorized Plan 2020-2024.
- Patrick O'Connor of 720 Harper Road spoke in opposition of the Oil & Gas Proposed CAPEX 3-16 Drilling Permit in Vevay Township.
- Jack Carmichael of 519 Rogers Street spoke in opposition of the Oil & Gas Proposed CAPEX 3-16 Drilling Permit in Vevay Township.
- Paul Erbe of 334 E. Ash Street spoke in opposition of the Oil & Gas Proposed CAPEX 3-16 Drilling Permit in Vevay Township.
- William Archer of 303 Lawton Street spoke in opposition of the Oil & Gas Proposed CAPEX 3-16 Drilling Permit in Vevay Township.
- Michael Koot of 951 N. Jefferson Street spoke in opposition of the Oil & Gas Proposed CAPEX 3-16 Drilling Permit in Vevay Township.
- Rachel Brander of 228 Mark Street spoke in opposition of the Oil & Gas Proposed CAPEX 3-16 Drilling Permit in Vevay Township.
- Megan Short of 3755 W. Howell Road spoke in opposition of the Oil & Gas Proposed CAPEX 3-16 Drilling Permit in Vevay Township.
- Michael Kelly of 1021 W Dansville Road spoke to the risk factors of the Oil & Gas Proposed CAPEX 3-16 Drilling Permit in Vevay Township
- Karla Brandao-Sereno of 938 Eugenia Drive spoke in opposition of the Oil & Gas Proposed CAPEX 3-16 Drilling Permit in Vevay Township.
- Angela Moore of 2016 Hagadorn Road spoke in opposition of the Oil & Gas Proposed CAPEX 3-16 Drilling Permit in Vevay Township.
- Larann Sheely of 424 W. Columbia Street spoke in opposition of the Oil & Gas Proposed CAPEX 3-16 Drilling Permit in Vevay Township.

PRESENTATION

A. Presentation regarding Oil & Gas Proposed Drilling Permit in Vevay Township.

- Ben Brower, Chief Operating Officer, Jordan Development gave a presentation on the Proposed Drilling Permit in Vevay Township and an overview of the Drilling Process and Safety precautions that are taken during this process to protect the environment groundwater protection.
- Mark Snow, Manager, Permitting and Technical Services section (Oil, Gas, and Minerals Division), Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) gave a presentation on the Permit Application process that is required by EGLE and where in the process the CAPEX-3-16 Permit Application is in.

CONSENT CALENDAR

MOTION by Vogel, second by Schaffer,
to approve the Consent Calendar as modified with the moving of Item C1 – Approve Bill in the Amount
of \$115,205.17 to New Business

- A. Minutes:
 - 1. Approve Minutes of Regular Council Meeting January 20, 2020
- B. Correspondence:
 - 1. Receipt of City Attorney’s Report Dated January 30, 2020
- C. Financials:
 - 1. Approve Bills in the Amount of \$115,205.17 - **MOVED TO NEW BUSINESS**

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Discussion on Oil and Gas Drilling and Potential Action by City Council

MOTION by Schaffer, second by Vogel,
to send a letter to the State of Michigan in opposition of the Oil & Gas Proposed CAPEX 3-16 Drilling
Permit

MOTION by Brown, second by Madden
to amend the main motion by authorizing the Mayor and City Manager to draft a letter in opposition
of the Oil & Gas Proposed CAPEX 3-16 Drilling Permit stating reasons to the opposition to bring back
to the Council at the next scheduled meeting.

Yes (6) Brown, Droscha, Ferris, Madden, Vogel, Whipple
No (1) Schaffer

MOTION APPROVED

MAIN MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY AS AMENDED

Council member Vogel excused herself from the meeting at 9:28 p.m.

- B. Parks, Recreation and Non-Motorized Plan 2020-2024

- 1. Discussion: Proposed Parks, Recreation and Non-Motorized Plan 2020-2024

- Discussion took place regarding the Proposed Park, Recreation and Non-Motorized Plan regarding what different council members would eventually like to see happen with the City Parks.
- Discussion took place about the removal of the Appendix regarding Asset Management Table and Parking Lot Maintenance Table.

2. Resolution 2020-04: Adoption of Parks, Recreation and Non-Motorized Plan 2020-2024 (deferred from 1-20-2020 Regular Council Meeting)

MOTION by Brown, second by Ferris,
to adopt Resolution 2020-04: Adoption of Parks, Recreation and Non-Motorized Plan 2020-2024

MOTION by Droscha, second by Ferris
to amend the main motion by adopting the Parks, Recreation and Non-Motorized Plan 2020-2024 by removing the Appendix that includes the Asset Management Table and Parking Lot Maintenance Table and approving other amendments provided at the January 20, 2020 Regular Council Meeting.

Yes (5) Brown, Droscha, Ferris, Madden, Whipple
No (1) Schaffer
Absent (1) Vogel

MOTION APPROVED

Yes (6) Brown, Droscha, Ferris, Madden, Schaffer, Whipple
No (0)
Absent (1) Vogel

MAIN MOTION APPROVED AS AMENDED

NEW BUSINESS

A. Approve Bills in the Amount of \$115,205.17

MOTION by Schaffer, second by Ferris,
to approve Bills in the Amount of \$115,205.17

Yes (6) Brown, Droscha, Ferris, Madden, Schaffer, Whipple
No (0)
Absent (1) Vogel

MOTION APPROVED

COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS

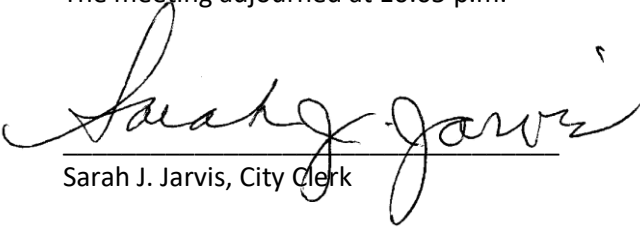
- Ferris reported that there is a Cemetery Board/Tree Commission meeting scheduled for February 5, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.
- Mayor Whipple commented on the new Water/Sewer bills and that this was a good move by City staff and that the bills provide a lot more information that is helpful in understanding your water bill.

MANAGERS REPORT (01/31/2020)

None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 10:05 p.m.



Sarah J. Jarvis
Sarah J. Jarvis, City Clerk