

The City of South Lyon
Regular City Council Meeting
June 22, 2015

Mayor Wallace called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
Mayor Wallace led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENT: Mayor Tedd Wallace
Council Members: Dixson, Kivell, Kramer, Rzyzi, and Wedell
Councilmember Kopkowski arrived at 7:32 p.m.
Also Present: City Manager Ladner, Department Head Martin, Chief Collins, Chief Kennedy, Attorney Wilhelm and Clerk/Treasurer Deaton

MINUTES

CM 6-1-15 MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Kivell, supported by Wedell
Motion to approve minutes as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BILLS- None

AGENDA

City Manager Ladner stated she would like to remove item #8 from the Agenda. The Union has not ratified the contract yet, there were some additional language they wanted changed. Councilmember Kopkowski stated at the last meeting she asked for the City Manager Goals to be added to the Agenda for this meeting. City Manager Ladner stated she did not recall that. Mayor Wallace stated he doesn't recall that. Councilmember Kopkowski stated she would like the item added to the next Agenda.

CM 6-2-15 MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA AS AMENDED

Motion b Kivell, supported by Kramer
Motion to approve the agenda as amended

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mayor Wallace stated he would like the Fire Officer Swearing in to take place before public comment.

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Chief Kennedy stated he would like to praise Chief Collins and our South Lyon Police Department, along with the Oakland County Sheriff Department because of their excellent police work; they were able to get a conviction on the arson fire that occurred on University last year. It is very difficult to get a conviction on an arson case.

Chief Kennedy stated tonight he would like to swear in 3 Fire Officers, Mike Weir to Deputy Chief, Cory Armstrong to Captain, and Chris Demeniuk to Lieutenant. He stated they have spent numerous hours away from their families for training and classes. Our command and organization is run by volunteer personal. They went through a competitive process. He appreciates their service. Clerk Deaton swore the newly promoted Fire Officers in. Mayor Wallace stated we are very lucky to have them in our City.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Carl Richards of 390 Lenox sated he would like to note a couple of things. On the 29th of July begins the official commencement of shut down for the Michigan Seamless Tube Company for two weeks. Mr. Richards stated after the 4th of July weekend, the railroad will be closing the tracks at 10 Mile. City Manager Ladner stated they have already improved that area. Mr. Richards stated that was temporary. He further stated a minor occurrence happened on this day back in 1946 that was the start of his journey. Mayor Wallace wished him a Happy Birthday.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Consider resolution authorizing the selected location of McHattie Park as the location the Community Center and authorizing the designated City delegate to negotiate the land acquisition and utility connection fees

Councilman Kramer stated the Recreation Committee is here to recommend the usage of a parcel of McHattie Park for the location of the Recreation Center. He would like to thank the volunteers that have put in 3 years of hard work, Karen Webber, Amy Ponsock, Mark St Charles, Jenny Urtel, Patty Carcone, Jason Bibby, and Ron Morelli, Scott Black and himself. He stated this is just the beginning; the main issue they dealt with was having all 3 communities agree on the location. He further stated this is far from being a done deal, there is much more to deal with.

Amy Pontock stated she is a resident of Green Oak Township and her family is very active in the South Lyon Recreation programs. She stated she is here to present a presentation of what the next step will be if this is approved. Ms. Pontock gave a power point presentation reflecting the work they have done, and what still needs to be done. She stated there was a survey completed and the majority of the people were interested in having a Recreation Center. The surveys were from residents from the City, Lyon Township, and Green Oak Township, Salem Township as well as some from other communities. There were only 3.2% that were not interested at all. Most of the things that were asked for were a pool, work out center, walking running track, and a children's water park among other things. She

stated they created a committee; it is comprised of 3 members from each of the three communities. Amy Allen the Director of South Lyon Recreation is involved as well is Linda Graham, Director for the South Lyon Senior Center. She stated in 2013 they began trying to find a location and spoke with other communities that successfully created a Recreation Center. She further stated the Board inquired about partnering with other groups and communities, Salem Township decided not to participate. She further stated the three communities donated \$10,000 to use toward the design. The criteria they used to find a location was as follows;

1. Centrally located
2. Population density
3. Access to other activities and businesses
4. Land suitable size
5. Accessible non-motorized transportation
6. Minimize environmental impact
7. Municipal owned land
8. Utility availability

Ms. Pontock stated the Committee reviewed 12 sites. Green Oak Township does not own any municipal property large enough for the Center. They reviewed 2 sites in Salem, but they decided to not participate. They didn't think it is a good idea to purchase property from a private owner because if they did and the Mill was voted down, South Lyon Area Recreation Authority would be left paying for a property they cannot afford, therefore there were a few properties that were removed from the list of possibilities. Lyon Township had a few properties they considered, although one parcel will be used for a school, as well as one location will be used for Lyon Townships new Library to be built. The property owned by Lyon Township on Milford Road did not meet the criteria they would like. The other properties are all privately owned, which would make them too expensive. They considered Volunteer Park, but it is not a centrally located area, as well as other groups are already looking into developing the park with more ball fields. She further stated McHattie Park meets all the criteria they were looking for. They are proposing the building being built where the two houses that are municipality owned are currently located along Pontiac Trail. The community center can be a destination. We can have an outdoor splash park, an indoor pool, basketball courts, meeting rooms, and this is intended to be a place that has something for everyone. After much research they are asking for Council to approve the southeast corner of McHattie Park to be used for the Recreation Center. Scott Black of 946 Westbrook stated he is a licensed architect and he has been in South Lyon for over ten years. He further stated the proposed location is the southeast corner. Mr. Black stated the playground would be relocated with 30% additional equipment. He further stated the next steps will be a presentation for Lyon and Green Oak Township, a site tour, conducting community forums, workshops, and final due diligence for financial information as well as a traffic study as well as other steps. He stated they would like it to be ready to be on the ballot for 2016 for each of the three communities. Councilman Kramer stated there are so many hurdles they have to pass before they put a shovel in the ground. Each of the 3 communities must approve this. They need to have the location approved to move to the next step. We need support from Council to at least move forward with the next step which is the conceptual design so they can get a cost estimate before moving forward. Councilman Kivell stated a budget is

discussed, but a number is never given. Councilman Kramer stated there are three different building plans they have discussed. The small building came in at 17.3 million, and they decided that would not work, they would be carrying a loss each year. Without the gym, they wouldn't have had enough revenue. The medium version included one gym, and the large version including two gyms came in around 25 million. They used the larger footprint when selecting McHattie Park as a location. There are so many issues with funding, but without a location it is much harder to move forward. Councilman Kivell stated it is a complicated issue. He further stated you can't do something until you have answers, we can't commit until we have answers as well. There are parking issues, baseball fields are maxing out all the parking areas right now, and it makes it more difficult if there is another event happening. Councilman Kramer stated they paid for an appraisal for property and that money was wasted, there was no way it was affordable. He further stated before moving forward with a traffic study, and a conceptual design of what the building will look like, they need to know they have the support of Council for the location. There is much more that will need to be done. Councilman Kivell asked if they support this location, how long the land will be obligated to the Recreation Center before we know for sure if it will be used. Councilman Kramer stated they would like to have this on the November 2016 ballot. He further stated they have some money left from the original money donated by the three communities, and they want to move forward, but they don't want to move forward spending that money if there is no support for the McHattie Park location. Even with Council approving the location, we may find out it isn't feasible. Councilmember Kopkowski asked if there are any restrictions on the deed. Councilman Kramer stated he has a copy of the deed, but doesn't recall seeing any restrictions. Mayor Wallace stated it was donated as park land. More discussion was held regarding process for using McHattie Park for the Recreation Center location. Councilman Rzyzi stated the numbers he wrote down from the Community Center was essentially 20 million, but there are many costs not accounted for, such as traffic study, moving the playground, cost of the homes. He asked what the estimate would be involving all of these items. Councilman Kramer stated they cannot discuss infrastructure cost without having a location, otherwise they would be guessing. Councilman Rzyzi stated he is uncomfortable with the language in the resolution that is presented. He would rather have a discussion instead of having a resolution making it definite. Councilmember Kopkowski stated she believed they already had a conceptual design. Councilman Kramer stated we do, we need an infrastructure design. Councilmember Kopkowski asked what the top end of their budget is, and that is something they must have. Scott Black stated until the site plan is engineered we do not have a number. He further stated in the building cost, we carry the site cost and utility cost. Councilman Kramer stated if we have the approval for the location, they can come back at a later time with all the numbers Council is requesting. Councilman Rzyzi stated he feels the discussion regarding money is necessary. Councilman Kivell asked if they have a back-up location. Councilman Kramer stated they do not have a back-up plan. Mayor Wallace stated this doesn't take the park away from the City, it provides them with a stepping stone to move on from this point. Mayor Wallace stated the part they are asking to use was not donated property; it was property the City purchased. He further stated they have worked at this for over 3 years. He further stated it will still have to be approved by the voters in all three communities. Mayor Wallace stated it could be an asset to our community, but the traffic is an issue, and it could be the issue that would stop this project, but they are just asking for a footstone to continue moving forward.

Councilman Wedell stated this is a significant body of work to just get to this point, he is afraid if this isn't resolved today, it will come to a halt. He believes he can support this process, and if it leads to a very nice community center it would be great, if it doesn't come to frustration, then it doesn't. There is time for Council to be heard on the topic as well as residents on the vote, but he is ok with the Committee moving forward. City Manager Ladner it seems Council is uncomfortable with the language of the resolution, and a possible solution is for Council to make a motion to support the Committee to continuing to use this site as their primary location for continuing all of their contingency work to look at the overall cost for the project, then they could bring a resolution back to the Council to approve. Councilman Rzyzi stated he has attended multiple meetings for the Recreation Center and he stated 11 Mile and Milford Road property was ruled out because of the cost for the utility hook-up fees. He further stated they were told if the price goes over \$20 million the project would be scrapped. Councilman Kramer stated that statement was based on 2012 taxable values. The taxable values have increased by a great deal; he didn't have access to those numbers at the time that statement was made. Councilman Rzyzi stated his point is before it seems there is more money that they can use to possibly use the other sites. Mayor Wallace stated McHattie is within easy walking distance for the schools, as well as Volunteer Park which is the location he is pushing for. Councilmember Kopkowski asked why the privately owned properties were not considered, and why couldn't the Committee use that as the conceptual design. Councilman Kivell stated outside of the cost, his concern is the impact of the downtown area. Granted there will be more people coming into town, but if it becomes so onerous that people cannot get through town, it negates the potential of people visiting our downtown businesses. Mayor Wallace stated the owner of the Dixboro property is ready to negotiate, he called him today. He has also offered to run a sidewalk to Hadagorn. Mayor Wallace stated the pavement is already laid and it is a 10 acre parcel, this could be the committees plan b. Councilman Kivell stated he would like to see if that property is a viable location. Councilman Kramer stated that sounds like a great idea, but again that is something they would have to purchase, and if something happened and if the center wasn't passed, SLARA would be stuck with the property. Mayor Wallace stated he feels the Committee deserves to be able to move to the next step. More discussion was held regarding the Dixboro location and the time the Recreation Center Committee has spent on finding a location. Councilman Kramer stated the other two communities were not interested in the Dixboro location being used. Dean Whitcomb of 25885 McRory in Lyon Township, stated the simple question is if the three communities agree that McHattie Park is the best location, the question that needs to be answered that he isn't hearing tonight is, Council willing to lose some green space for this to be placed in McHattie Park. Mike Tulio of 549 Graefield stated he would like to know why after Council spending over two hours discussing the McHattie Park location, and the viability with the study moving forward, it seems to him they are just asking to move ahead to move forward and see how much that will cost. He further stated he would like to know why Mayor Wallace held onto the information regarding the Dixboro property, when all along you knew that property was available and never mentioned it. Mayor Wallace stated he brought it up when it was stated there is no Plan B. Kerry Jones of 883 Hidden Creek stated she appreciates the presentation and the time they have spent on this. She further stated she understands the selection criteria, but she doesn't like the location. She further stated she likes the idea, but not in the City. Ms. Jones stated there are other issues that need to be taken into account, such as traffic and

space and hates to lose the park. She further stated she does appreciate all the work they have done, maybe the selection criteria needs to change. Ryan Lare of 716 Grand Court stated he thinks this should be tabled until another location can be determined. He would like to keep McHattie Park and have a Recreation Center. Jill Zamojcin of 205 Maplewood stated she has lived here for 13 years and she appreciates the work they have done and she would love to volunteer to help. She loves the downtown area, but she avoids it. It is a great idea for the kids to walk to the Rec Center, but how many people would really be walking there. The traffic alone is a nightmare, and she thinks other areas should be reconsidered such as the Lyon Township park area. Her neighbors are not happy with this site either. The majority of the people on the South Lyon Whats Happening now on Facebook do not like that location either. Ryan Rzyzi of 25550 Meadow Court stated based on the surveys most people wanted the recreation center, but there was nothing in survey regarding location and cost. He further stated you are asking Lyon Township to pay for the Recreation Center and have it in the City of South Lyon, it is a wonderful idea, but he wants it in Lyon Township. If he is going to pay for it, he wants it in his neighborhood. Travis Mueller of 605 Orchard Ridge stated everyone has done a great job and he can see a lot of heart and commitment. He stated the major costs will not be up front, it will be in the maintenance and long-term up-keep, remodeling and so on. He further stated he is not looking for numbers, but what is the plan for the long term income. Mr. Mueller stated if things fall apart with the other communities we are the ones stuck with it. He doesn't think it is right for the community at this time. Kirk Erven of 738 West Hills Drive stated he would like to thank everyone for their time and effort. His concern is seeing a 20 minute presentation, then we get a new piece of information, and now it seems it is moving in a different direction. He thinks it makes sense to take the next step; his question is the Committee asking for more money, or approval to take the next step. Brian Mackey at 1222 Wellwood Circle stated he would like to thank them for all their time; it is like another full time job. He stated government does not move fast, you should have more communication with the residents, and it doesn't seem like 900 people filling out a survey does not seem to be a fair representation of what the residents want. He further stated he doesn't believe between all three communities agreed that McHattie is the best location. McHattie Park will be destroyed; it will be lost for two years during construction. Volunteer Park is wide open and quick to get to. He is uncomfortable with the language if it is giving them control of the park. Chris Sharker of 59878 Tallberry Circle stated he has gone to many of the Recreation meetings. He stated he always asks the same questions, such as privatizing the project, other locations, and the cost. He further stated the number changes each time he is asked, when does the plug get pulled and it just doesn't happen. He further stated the message he gets is to get it built now, and pay for it later. He stated he is always available to help. His point is the conversation is very limited. Eric of 20908 Oak Tree Drive stated he grew up in Canton and Ford road was a two lane road. It is now unlivable. He is watching the same thing happen on Pontiac Trail. He further stated we can never get open space back, Ford road is one giant strip mall, he would hate to see 2 or 3 years of construction take that park away from his kids during construction. He further stated what happens if property values go down once again. You are putting in lifetime fitness on the backs of the tax payers, it doesn't make sense. The traffic will get worse and we will pay for it. Stephanie Folk of 237 Brookwood Drive stated she would like them to look at the cost comparison for using the properties at Dixboro and 11 Mile and Milford. Allegra Kranz of 347 Hampton stated she lives directly across from

the Witches Hat and last Thursday there was a party in the gazebo, and with the two ballgames going on, there was no parking left. People were parking on the grass. It will be impossible for the people in her condo complex to get out of their parking lot. Rose Walton 365 Hampton Court stated they have the same concerns on the traffic. Also, she would like to know if the water and sewer can handle it, she would like all three presentations. Cindy Walton of 280 Gibson stated she is a 40 year resident here and her children used that park as well as her grandchildren. She would like them to come to the residents with 3 proposals. She hears them saying it must be McHattie Park, but she wants them to look into other sites. Gerald Spaulter of 278 Wellington Drive stated he does not want his taxes raised; they need to find another way to finance this. Councilman Kramer stated they meet the third Monday of the month and he hopes anyone that voiced concerns may come to future meetings.

CM 6-3-15 MOTION TO TABLE THE DISCUSSION FOR THE RECREATION CENTER

Motion by Kopkowski, supported by Rzyzi

Motion to table the discussion until the 10 Mile and Dixboro site can be evaluated

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED- 1 opposed

2. Consider revised/renegegiated options for City Attorney Retainer Agreement

City Attorney Wilhelm stated Council designated an ad hoc committee to meet with him regarding the Contract he presented previously. He stated it was negotiated to use a hybrid contract of \$9,000 for a retainer for 80 hours per month and hours over 80 a month will be billed at \$135 in one year, \$140 in year 2, and \$145 in year 3. Personal and employment matters are out of retainer and billed at \$160.00 per hour consistent with current agreement. Councilman Rzyzi stated he had asked about the City Attorney limiting his hours and asked if he had that conversation with City Manager Ladner. Attorney Wilhelm stated he has not spoken with her as of yet. He wasn't able to speak with her in this past week. He will certainly explore that and take direction from Council and the City Manager. Councilmember Kopkowski stated she doesn't have a problem with bringing the Attorney's wage up, but she has an issue with how much the City Manager used him. She further stated since the City Manager has come on board we have used the City Attorney more often. Councilman Kivell stated it has only been one additional hour since she has come on. Councilman Rzyzi stated he would like to know what the final raise is in the contract. He further stated the current raise is 61%. Councilman Kramer stated you were on the ad hoc committee and yet you are still criticizing the contract. Councilmember Kopkowski stated she would like to see City Manager Ladner to not lean on City Attorney as much as she has been. Councilman Kivell stated if it involves legal, the Attorney must be involved. City Attorney Wilhelm stated there is some work that could be done within the City staff, but legal work is legal work. Discussion was held regarding who will be doing Human Resource for the City. Attorney Wilhelm stated a meeting of the minds and direction to the City Manager needs to be discussed regarding when things go to the City Attorney, but you don't want to limit people too much so they cannot get things done. Councilman Kramer stated he would like to see the City Attorney's bills in the Council Packets for the next three

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months to see what we are being billed for. Councilman Kivell stated he would like them in electronic form. Councilman Rzyzi stated this is outside of his comfort range, so he will be voting no.

CM 6-4-15 MOTION TO APPROVE RETAINER AGREEMENT WITH JOHNSON, ROSATI, SCHULTZ & JOPPICH

Motion by Kivell, supported by Wedell

Motion to approve the retainer as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED- 1 opposed

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider approval of Budget Amendments for FY 2014-2015

City Manager Ladner reviewed the presented Budget Amendments for the fiscal year of 2014-2015. Gas and Electricity rates fluctuate from year to year. There is an increase in under the Administration line item due to the relocation of the storm sewer relocation that Council approved. We have to increase a line item for the vehicle maintenance for vehicle repair. They are discussing a way for the mechanics wages being charged off to whichever department's vehicles he is working on. There was a decrease in the line item for education due to the employees being able to attend more free classes. She further stated under the Major Streets line item there was an increase in snow plow operating due to road salt purchases. There was an increase under the Land Acquisition fund due to the purchase of an easement. She is not happy about the increases under professional services due to HRC invoices for the DWRF, also contractual services for Bricco invoices for DWRF. She is unhappy with receiving invoices for the work that was completed last year. Councilman Wedell asked why the revenues reflect a decrease of \$89,000 in general fund, then on the expenditures increase reflects \$39991 which is an imbalance and he would like to know where that gets reconciled. Bookkeeper Lori Mosier stated we don't have all the revenues yet, we are still \$6,000 in the black. City Manager Ladner stated we are expecting a check for \$25,500 from the Metro Act which we should receive it this month.

CM 6-5-15 MOTION TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED BUDGET AMENDMENTS AS BROUGHT FORTH THROUGH JUNE 18, 2015 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015

Motion by Wedell, supported by Dixon

Motion to approve the proposed budget amendments as brought forth through June 18, 2015

For fiscal year 2014-2015

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Review IT contract services proposals and consider approval of contract with an IT contract services provider

City Manager Ladner stated we sent out an RFP for IT services to 4 companies, and we placed it on our website. We received two bids, one from JWTEK and VisiCom. JWTEK currently takes care of IT services for the Police Department. VisiCom is the company that we have used since Tech Resources went out of business. JWTEK is the low bidder, proposing \$15,000 per year for their retainer. She asked the Chief of Police to write a memo regarding their experience with them. City Manager Ladner stated the City has had a good experience with VisiCom and she would prefer to contract with them. VisiCom proposed a yearly retainer fee of \$22,199 for year one, \$22,864.97 for year two, and \$23,550.92 for year three. VisiCom is experienced with governmental clients and she feels they will give the City the best service. City Manager Ladner stated normally she would prefer to use the lowest bidder, but in this case, she would like to contract with VisiCom. A representative of VisiCom was present and he stated the company is very familiar with the BS& Software that the City is possibly going to purchase, as well as working with other municipalities. Discussion was held regarding the different options presented in the RFP.

CM 6-6-15 MOTION TO ELEVATE FROM THE LOWEST BID PROCESS

Motion by Wedell, supported by Kramer

Motion to deviate from the low bid process to accept higher bid with a higher benefit of service

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 6-7-15 MOTION TO APPROVE 1 YEAR CONTRACT WITH VISICOM

Motion by Kramer, supported by Kivell

Motion to approve the contract with VisiCom Services, Inc. option #1 for one year for \$22,199 and the option to renew for years 2 and 3.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Consider bids for the replacement of Furnace and A/C units for the main Police Building as budgeted for in the adopted FY 2015-2016 City Budget

Chief Collins stated this was in his 5 year capital improvement plan, but it appears it needs to be replaced now. One of the two A/C units has failed about two weeks ago. He further stated they went through the bid process and they received a very fair bid from McGraw Mechanical for \$4,000.00 Councilman Rzyzi stated he would like to thank the Chief for the great job with the bid process they followed; this is a good price considering some were coming in at \$7,000

CM 6-8-15 MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF FURNACE AND AIR CONDITIONING UNIT

Motion by Rzyzi, supported by Kivell

Motion to approve the purchase and installation of the furnace and air conditioning unit as bid By McGraw Mechanical for \$4,999.00

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Consider bids for replacement of two Ford Crown Victoria police vehicles as budgeted for in the adopted FY 2015-2016 City budget

Chief Collins stated he would like to replace two 2010 Crown Vics, one has 88,000 miles and the other has 90,000 and both have had significant repairs. He is requesting the replacement of both cars with two 2016 Ford Police Interceptors. The bids are from the Macomb County bid, which is lower than the State of Michigan Bid.

CM 6-9-15 MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF 2016 FORD POLICE INTERCEPTORS

Motion by Kopkowski, supported by Wedell

Motion to approve the purchase of two 2016 Ford Police Interceptor Utility AWD vehicles From Signature Ford, under the Macomb County Bid, at a cost of \$51,242

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Discuss whether or not to give the City Planner authorization to develop and ordinance allowing chickens within the City limits

City Manager Ladner stated at the June 8th meeting a City resident has asked if Council would consider changing the ordinance to allow backyard hens in the City of South Lyon. She further stated Councilman Rzyzi and Councilmember Kopkowski requested to have this added to the next Agenda. City Manager Ladner stated there are several issues that need to be addressed before an Ordinance could be amended. She stated she has provided the language from other communities for Council to consider. Councilman Kivell stated he liked the language used for the City of Ypsilanti. He further stated it stated if it is within a certain distance of their neighbor, their neighbor would have to ok it. Councilman Kivell stated there will also be restrictions added by the local Homeowner Associations. Councilman Rzyzi stated there are definitely restrictions needed. He stated it is just not about having chickens, it is a way of living and about providing food. He further stated it is a property issue, and as long as you're not infringing on your neighbor he isn't opposed to this. City Manager Ladner stated she agrees with Councilman Kivell that the City of Ypsilanti does have the best language for their ordinances as well as the permit form. Councilman Kramer stated he is curious regarding the distance restrictions, there are not many homes in the City that will allow for hens. He further stated he has had many people that have told him they are against their neighbors having backyard hens. He stated if we pass an ordinance with limited distance restrictions, it may create more problems, and we will have a very busy Ordinance

Officer. Councilman Wedell stated he agrees with Councilman Kramer. He further stated he has read the ordinances presented by the City Manager from other communities, and if it is handled so there are reasonable setbacks, and permission is given by the neighbors, he may go along with that. Councilman Kivell stated if someone is not managing their hens, they may have to lose their permit and get rid of their chickens. City Manager Ladner stated she will draft an ordinance and work with our Planner to make sure we don't violate any other ordinances. City Manager Ladner stated she can have this ready by the second meeting in July for Council to consider.

6. Consider approving changes to the City cell phone contract with AT&T

City Manager Ladner stated the Clerk brought this information to her. We discovered the City is on a business plan, and not a government plan which will save us some money. She further stated she would like to discontinue the current phone line that is designated to her. She stated currently has that phone number forwarded to her personal phone, therefore she would like to cancel that line. She further stated if we cancel that phone line along with changing to the governmental plan, we will save \$179.00 a month. City Manager Ladner stated it shouldn't be a problem with the new FOIA laws, because all of her email also goes to her phone, which goes through the City Server. Mayor Wallace stated he uses his personal phone and he doesn't see an issue with this. Councilman Kramer asked if it will be a problem with the amount of data in the plan and people not going over the limit. City Manager Ladner stated we only have 3 phones which use data and it hasn't been an issue.

CM 6-10-15 MOTION TO APPROVE THE CHANGE IN PHONE SERVICE

Motion by Wedell, supported by Kramer

Motion to approve the change in cellular phone plans from business to governmental and to cancel the underutilized phone line for the City Manager

VOTE

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. Consider approval of contract with BS&A for new financial, utility billing, building permitting and web access software to allow for scheduling FY 2015-2016 implementation

City Manager Ladner stated she is requesting Council to approve the contract for BS&A which was approved the City budget for FY 2015-2016. She stated all of the software will not be installed at the same time, due to different departments being busy at different times of the year. The total contract is for \$72,250.00 she further stated the cost will be broken down between the different departments. She further stated BS&A have done a site check to ensure all of our hardware and server can support the new software. This is a site license as opposed to a per computer license. We will all have these modules on our computers; she will be able to look at the fund balance and general ledger instead of bothering the bookkeeper. City Manager Ladner stated all the property records will be available online, and this will also allow residents to pay online with credit cards by a third party. There is a convenient

fee which the resident will be aware of before finishing their transaction online, it is usually approximately 2.95 Councilman Kivell stated this is the same system Oakland County uses so it should mesh nicely.

Motion by Kramer, supported by Wedell

Motion to approve the contract for the implementation of BS&A software for fiscal year 2015-2016

VOTE:

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MANAGERS REPORT

City Manager Ladner stated the RCOC has issued their quarterly brochure, and she wanted to ensure Council was aware of it. She stated there is a thank you letter that didn't make it into the packet by mistake. She further stated she has included a copy of the agenda for the MGMLA workshop she will be attending this summer for continuing her education and maintain her credential manager status. City Manager Ladner stated Councilmember Kopkowski requested information on food trucks in the City. She has provided that information in the packet and our Planner will be looking into what other communities have done. He will be giving Council a recommendation on how to deal with the issue. She stated she has given Council Members a survey from information she has collected on a list serv regarding our Cemetery. It may be necessary to raise fees in the near future to ensure the perpetual care fund stays in place. She will be on vacation in Kansas for the next week, but she will be available and will respond. City Manager Ladner stated she has spoken with the DDA regarding a Blight Grant that may be available.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Rzyzi stated residents have reported to him that there were trucks that are going through, and he wants to make sure Lynne isn't afraid to red tag them again if necessary. Chief Collins stated the trucks that were today were actually working on a private residence; it wasn't anyone working on the Knolls. He further stated the Officers are aware to do extra patrols in that area, and they do have commercial carrier training. Councilman Rzyzi stated he is happy there are other locations being considered for the Recreation Center, he doesn't feel McHattie Park is appropriate for that. Councilmember Kopkowski stated she would like to ensure the Managers goals will be on the next agenda. Mayor Wallace stated that was done in January. Councilmember Kopkowski stated they are doing a dis service by not discussing and agreeing on goals for the City Manager. Councilman Kivell stated he meanders by the Knolls occasionally, and he has not seen where any commercial vehicles have been going through the subdivision. He further asked if the pre con meeting has been handled yet. City Manager Ladner stated they are ready to move forward pending outstanding permits from the State, and they are currently still working with Bob and HRC to keep it moving forward.

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Councilman Kramer stated he would like to know if the Council will support looking further into the 10 Mile and Dixboro property if the owner is willing to negotiate on the cost. Councilman Kivell stated he would support moving forward with that location. Councilman Rzyzi stated he doesn't want to agree to something he doesn't know what he is agreeing to. He further stated he is happy the McHattie location is no longer being considered. Councilman Rzyzi stated he will pass, because he cannot vote on something that isn't before him. Mayor Wallace stated he didn't mean to muddy the waters, it just came up this afternoon at 2:30 this afternoon. Councilman Kramer stated he understands that, but we discussed this with everyone getting upset for almost 2 hours and it was never brought up until the end. Mayor Wallace stated he didn't want to interrupt the presentation. Councilman Kramer stated he wished he would have because now the focus has changed to the Dixboro property. Department Head Martin stated a lift station will have to be installed at the Dixboro location.

Councilmember Wedell stated he is not inclined to say no to just to be saying no. Councilmember Kopkowski stated she agrees with Councilman Wedell. Councilman Kivell stated the Council is completely willing to do the work, but he doesn't want them to do the work if there isn't going to be support on the Dixboro location. Councilman Kivell stated it shouldn't be a cluster of smoke and mirrors to get try to get it by people. Councilman Kramer stated they are trying to be open and do things by the book. Councilman Kivell stated there were some people in the audience today that stated that may not be true. He further stated he attended a couple of meetings and information exchange was not the highlight of those meetings, it was more of how do we package this so we can sell it. Councilman Rzyzi stated some of the minutes are not available on the Recreation Centers website, and as of this morning there are still some meetings missing. Councilmember Dixon stated she is happy with the Dixboro location, not the McHattie location.

Mayor Wallace stated the ham radio club meeting Saturday at 2:00 until Sunday 2:00 at Atchison Park. It is very important to have a club in our area. It has been active since 60's. He further stated they set up their antenna towers and they spend the night and you can listen to people all over the world talk. Mayor Wallace asked for the status on the rock by the Witches Hat. City manager Ladner stated she has a document ready for the Council to sign and be notarized, which they can then move the rock.

CM 6-11-15 MOTION TO ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 p.m.

VOTE: MOTIOIN CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,

Tedd Wallace Mayor

Lisa Deaton Clerk/Treasurer

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