

The City of South Lyon
Regular City Council Meeting
December 8, 2014

Mayor Wallace called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Mayor Wallace led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

PRESENT: Mayor Wallace
Council Members: Kivell, Kopkowski, Kramer, Rzyzi, and Wedell
Also Present: City Manager Ladner, Department Head Martin, Chief Collins,
Chief Kennedy, Attorney Wilhelm and Clerk/Treasurer Deaton

ABSENT: Council Member Dixson

Mayor Wallace stated Councilmember Dixson is absent due to illness.

CM 12-1-14 MOTION TO APPROVE ABSENCE OF COUNCILMEMBER DIXSON

Motion by Kramer, supported by Rzyzi
Motion to excuse the absence of Councilmember Dixson

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

CM 12-2-14 MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

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

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BILLS

Councilman Kivell questioned the bill for \$8,167.22 for a Kaiser compressor. Department Head Martin stated that invoice was for parts for the smaller compressor.

CM 12-3-14 MOTION TO APPROVE BILLS

Motion by Kivell, supported by Kramer

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Motion to approve bills as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AGENDA

CM 12-4-14 MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Wedell, supported by Kopkowski

Motion to approve Agenda as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT

Carl Richards of 390 Lenox stated at last week's Planning Commission approved the new site plan for Peters True Value Hardware and the building will be torn down and they don't have to build it back identical. There was much disagreement, but it was passed. He further stated there is a new barber shop in town on Wells Street. He further stated there has been a new book written by Marshall Richards who is a distant cousin of his.

Ken Kneisel stated he is a resident of Salem Township, but he is here representing the South Lyon First United Methodist Church. He stated he is requesting Council to pass an amendment to sign ordinance regarding digital signs. Carmine Aventini of CIB Planning stated the current ordinance allows for digital signs in industrial, commercial, and office uses within those districts, and the Church is in a residential district. We need to make sure we don't create other issues with other usages because you cannot single out a church. Mr. Avantini stated the process can move quickly, he spoke with their sign maker and they are looking to have the sign installed in approximately 3 months, and that shouldn't be a problem.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Consider request for approval of Planned Development Agreement between City of South Lyon and Oakland Forty Group, LLC regarding Knolls of South Lyon

City Manager Ladner stated this was postponed from the last meeting. She stated the attorneys for the Knolls are requesting this item to be tabled.

CM 12-5-14 MOTION TO TABLE THE REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF PLANNED DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF SOUTH LYON AND OAKLAND FORTY GROUP, LLC REGARDING KNOLLS OF SOUTH LYON

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Motion by Wedell, supported by Kopkowski

Motion to table the request for approval of planned development agreement between the City of South Lyon and Oakland Forty Group, LLC regarding Knolls of South Lyon

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

1. Pumpkinfest Committee Report

Scott Black stated he and Holly Girdom are here representing the Pumpkinfest Committee. Mr. Black gave a brief slide show presentation of the 2014 Pumpkinfest. He stated the Pumpkinfest was a little different than in past years. This year had 3 days of events, and the beer tent was moved from downtown to the Wells Street Parking Lot. He stated they had great weather for the event as well. He further stated they worked with different organizations and the pumpkins were donated, bales of hay as well as the Pumpkinfest t shirts. Mr. Black stated there were many local organizations that held fundraisers during Pumpkinfest and together they raised over \$21,000.00 for their groups. He further stated they were able to offer some events for free, such as the air dog show, the appearance of Paws from the Detroit Tigers, as well as free admission to the beer tent on Friday and Sunday from 12:00-4:00 p.m. Holly Girdom of the Pumpkinfest Committee stated the new location with the tents and the expenditures were high, and they did operate on a loss for this year. Mr. Black stated they had a wrap up party where everyone could discuss their concerns or suggestions, and he said the comments for this year were much more positive than 2013, and they had many more people who wanted to help out. He further stated the Committee appreciates Councils support. Councilman Wedell stated he would like to thank them for the report and it was a great event. Councilmember Kopkowski stated she had a concern with the one band that played early in the day at the event. She further stated there were some families that were leaving because of the language. Ms. Girdom stated they are aware this is a family event and it will not happen again. Councilman Rzyzi stated he still has heard complaints about not being able to get into the beer tent. He stated he is aware it is a fire hazard and there will always be a maximum capacity, but he would like to suggest when one person leaves, they could let another person in. He further stated maybe having some local restaurants inside the beer tent instead of out of town restaurants. Ms. Girdom stated they have spoken with the local restaurants and they are very busy that weekend with the customers coming into their own establishments, they don't have the man power to serve inside the beer tent as well. She further stated they tried the one person in, one person out of the beer tent last year and it didn't work out well and they had many complaints because people bought tickets, but if they left for any reason, they were not able to get back in. She stated there will always be a maximum capacity for the beer tent, and as much as they would like to they can't accommodate everyone. This year people were happier because if they bought a wristband, they were able to leave and re-enter. Councilman Rzyzi stated he didn't notice such a problem at the Blues Brews and Brats, possibly using that lot would be better. Mayor Wallace stated maybe expanding by using

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more of the parking lot for the venue instead of parking. Mayor Wallace stated everyone appreciates the effort and hard work the Pumpkinfest Committee puts forth every year. Mr. Black stated they are always looking for more volunteers and all help is appreciated. Councilman Kivell stated there was discussion held regarding the use of swappable wristbands, and if someone knows they are going to leave, that person could swap that wristband with someone else, therefore it is the same number of wristbands, but he thinks that might help. He further asked about the location of the food vendor? Mr. Black stated they chose to be in that location because they didn't want to be in competition with the Tavern. Councilman Kivell stated it is an issue for traffic to reach them. Mr. Black stated there is an issue with that location, so they will be in a different location next time. Councilman Kivell stated Milford Memories work closely with the Church's in the area for helpers, and he asked if the Pumpkinfest Committee has thought about doing that as well. Councilman Kramer stated he would like to thank them for all their hard work.

2. Consider approval of updated "Support Emergency Operations Plan for the City of South Lyon"

Chief Collins stated in 2009 the Support Emergency Operations Plan was adopted by Council. He stated the plans are good for four years, and the Oakland County Homeland Security Division is asking us to update and re adopt the plan. There are some very minor updates and changes that were made, and he is asking Council to approve the new plan.

CM 12-7-14 MOTION TO APPROVE THE SUPPORT EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH LYON

Motion by Kramer, supported by Kopkowski

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Ladner stated there was a clerical issue with the winter 2014 tax bills that were mailed. She further stated they are currently being reprinted and are being mailed out today.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Kivell stated he would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays. Councilmember Kopkowski stated she would like to wish everyone a Happy New Year and Merry Christmas.

Councilman Rzyzi stated he would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and Cool Yule was a great event and the candy cane hunt was enjoyed by many. He further stated South Area Recreation Authority did a great job. Councilman Rzyzi stated he would like the City to improve our website; it is a

little outdated, and he would like the improvement of the website to be a goal in 2015. Councilman Rzyzi stated this year the Farmers Market was the best year ever.

Councilman Wedell stated he would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas.

Councilman Kramer stated he would like to thank the DPW for picking up all of the leaves.

Mayor Wallace stated the Chamber Director has not been replaced yet, and he would like to thank Sandy Stewart for filling the gap with the Cool Yule, and Dana Johnson as well for the help with the parade. He further wanted to thank the Historical Society.

12-6-14 MOTION TO ADJOURN TO ENTER INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PER ACT 267 CHAPTER 15, ARTICLE 15.268 SECTION 8(a) CLOSED AT THE REQUEST OF THE EMPLOYEE

Motion by Kivell, supported by Kopkowski

Motion to enter closed session at 8:20 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Council reconvened the regular Council Meeting at 8:25 p.m.

12-8-14 MOTION TO ADJOURN COUNCIL MEETING

Motion by Kivell, supported by Kramer

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:27 p.m.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,

Tedd Wallace Mayor

Lisa Deaton Clerk/Treasurer

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