

CITY OF SOUTH LYON  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
JUNE 10, 2013

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

Mayor Wallace led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance

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

MINUTES

Councilmember Kopkowski stated the minutes should reflect that the money loaned to the Cultural Arts Committee is a loan, and was stated as such by City Manager Murphy. Councilman Rzyzi stated he would like the wording "some increases are unavoidable" removed, because he was not making that statement, but was reading that sentence from the budget notes. He further stated it is not his opinion, that some increases are unavoidable. Councilman Kivell stated he was the opposed vote, not Councilman Rzyzi. City Clerk Deaton stated she must add the vote for the Memorial Day parade and it was passed unanimously. Mayor Wallace stated that it isn't proper for the minutes to reflect who voted no, unless a roll call vote was held.

CM 6-1-13 MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES AS AMENDED

Motion by Kopkowski, supported by Kivell  
Motion to approve the minutes as amended

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BILLS

Discussion was held regarding the monthly bills. Councilman Wedell asked regarding check #61119 for South Lyon Woods, City Manager Murphy stated that is the payoff for the lawsuit. Councilman Kivell stated the 142% of building permit revenue is a good sign.

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CM 6-2-13 MOTION TO APPROVE THE MONTHLY BILLS AS PRESENTED

Motion by Kramer, supported by Kivell  
Motion to approve the monthly bills as presented.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AGENDA

Mayor Wallace stated he would like to add item #4 to accept a donation.

CM 6-3-13 MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Wedell, supported by Dixon  
Motion to approve the agenda as amended

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT

George Foeman of 869 Huntington stated he met with Mike Olando from the Parks and Recreation Commission at Volunteer Park and looked at the trails that remain and discussed future planned trails. He stated he is looking forward to the next meeting on June 12<sup>th</sup>, and meeting with other groups of people that are interested in the use of Volunteer Park and to discuss the need to maintain the natural areas of the park. On June 15<sup>th</sup> 8:00-2:00, he has organized a wild flower picture contest and everyone is welcome.

OLD BUSINESS- None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Blues, Brews and Brats

Chief Collins stated this request was received from the Chamber of Commerce for the Blues Brews and Brats on July 20<sup>th</sup>. He further stated he met with Kim from the Chamber, and Chief Kennedy in the preplanning stages, so there have been some small changes to improve operations. He further stated all the paperwork is in order and was turned in on a timely basis.

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CM 6-4-13 MOTION TO APPROVE THE ROAD CLOSURE

Motion by Kramer, supported by Wedell

Resolved That Lisa Deaton, City Clerk/Treasurer is hereby authorized to make application to the Road Commission for Oakland County on behalf of the City of South Lyon in the County of Oakland, Michigan for the necessary permits to conduct the Blues, Brews and Brats Event from July 20 until July 21, 2013 and the related road closures: Lafayette Street between Lake Street and Liberty Street; from 12:00 noon on July 20 until 1:00 a.m. on July 21, 2013; and that the City of South Lyon in the County of Oakland, Michigan will faithfully fulfill all permit requirements, and shall save harmless, indemnify, defend and represent the Board against any and all claims for bodily injury or property damage, or any other claim arising out of or related to operations authorized by such permits as issued.

VOTE:

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 2. Budget Amendments

City Manager Murphy stated this is the last of the budget amendments for the 2012-2013 fiscal year.

Councilman Rzyzi questioned the increase in building permit fees by Novi Building Department. City Manager Murphy stated they collect 75% of the permit fee, and therefore when the permits increase, their costs go up as well.

CM 6-5-13 MOTION TO APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS AS PRESENTED

Motion by Kivell, supported by Kramer

Motion to approve the 2012-2013 budget amendments as presented.

VOTE:

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

## 3. Turn-Out Gear

Chief Kennedy stated this is part of next year's budget. He stated this is the main gear the firefighters wear and it is their first and last line of defense. He further stated he put together a committee to research the turn-out gear. The committee is recommending the V-Force Gear by Lion Apparel, and it is not the top of the line or the bottom of the line equipment, but this is midway. Chief Kennedy stated they are a reliable and reputable company. He further stated he is requesting to waive the formal bid process. He further stated that it is hard to get a quote on

the same equipment from each company, because it is always their version of the same product from another company. Councilman Kivell stated it is wonderful that the committee evaluated as many different types of outfits that they did. He further stated he would have liked to see the comps from the other companies. Discussion was held regarding the need for 4-5 sets of turn-out gear each year due to employee turnover, or wear, or the need to retire each gear after 10 years. Chief Kennedy stated a discount was discussed with each of the vendors.

CM 6-6-13 MOTION TO WAIVE THE FORMAL BID PROCESS

Motion by Kopkowski, supported by Dixon

Motion to waive the formal bid process for the purchase of five sets of Five sets of firefighting turnout gear, because only one vendor can supply this exact Equipment.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 6-7-13 MOTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE OF TURNOUT GEAR

Motion by Kopkowski, supported by Dixon to approve the purchase of five sets of firefighting turnout gear from Apollo Fire Department Company for \$9,930.00

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Donation

Mayor Wallace stated we received a donation from Leann McCleary in honor of her father Arlin Stone. Mayor Wallace suggested we use the donation to extend the water line for the community gardens at the cemetery.

CM 6-8-13 MOTION TO ACCEPT DONATION

Motion by Kopkowski, supported by Kramer

Motion to accept the \$100.00 donation in honor of Arlin Stone.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MANAGERS REPORT

6/10/13

City Manager Murphy asked Council if they would like to use the same manager's evaluation form as last year. He further stated he will get it to Council and if they would like we could put it on the next agenda. City Manager Murphy stated he received an email from Dave and Carrie Jones thanking our Fire Department for saving their lives. He further stated he received an email from Gwen thanking the Water Department for the re seeding and the watering of their yard after the DWRP project.

#### COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilman Kramer stated he will be on vacation at the next meeting so he is hoping his absence will be excused, and he further stated he would like the Managers evaluation to be held at the meeting following that. Councilman Kramer stated the next Recreation center meeting will be held on June 17<sup>th</sup> and they will be reviewing the responses they received for the proposals from the architectural design that were sent out May 29<sup>th</sup>. They will narrow it down and do the interview process, then present it to the South Lyon Recreation Board.

Councilman Kivell asked the City Manager if he was able to get a timeline from Ken regarding when the new trails will be put in. City Manager Murphy stated no, but I will contact Ken and find out. Councilman Kivell stated he asked the City Clerk about adding the person's name that had the opposing vote in the minutes, and he was surprised he was told the City Attorney had directed her to do that. He further stated that is something the Council should have something to say about it. He further stated he feels the minutes have been getting less and less descriptive and with that being the official record to what occurs in the meetings. He further stated it is appropriate that it be as close a reflection to what took place and to paraphrase as much as possible to who said what, it is very important that take place. He further stated that he has no opposition to the fact that there was a name placed with the opposing vote, but it was forced upon them, not decided upon by Council. Attorney Wilhelm stated he doesn't recall that suggestion, but he has talked with the Clerk since taking over that job, he may have suggested that it should show the number who were opposed. He further stated there is nothing that says we have to specify who voted no unless it's a roll call vote. Councilman Kivell stated there were a number of things that had taken place at our last meeting that were not reflected in the minutes. He further stated he would like it to be as close to a reflection as we can make it.

Councilmember Kopkowski stated she would like the Police to start monitoring the gardens again.

Chief Collins stated they will be monitoring the cemetery and the parks more now that school is out.

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Councilman Rzyzi stated he would like the Managers evaluation to be held in open session. Mayor Wallace stated he received a request to have a porta john in the Cemetery. Discussion was held regarding the number of people that visit our Cemetery and the location for a porta john. He further stated he would like to remind everyone Father's day is coming, and he hopes everyone will appreciate their father.

ADJOURNMENT

CM 6-9-13 MOTION TO ADJOURN MEEETING

Motion by Kivell, supported by Kramer  
Motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 p.m.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,

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Tedd Wallace Mayor

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Lisa Deaton Clerk/Treasurer