

CITY OF SOUTH LYON  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
NOVEMBER 13, 2017

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

PRESENT: Mayor Galeas, Councilmembers; Kivell, Kramer, Kurtzweil, Parisien, Rzyzi and Wedell  
Also Present; City Manager Ladner, Chief Collins, Chief Kennedy, Attorney Wilhelm and Clerk Deaton

MINUTES

Councilmember Kivell stated on page 4 the word paser should be spelled Pazer. He further stated on page 9 towards the bottom the word exclusive should be added to state "we have never had an exclusive contract with WOW."

Councilmember Parisien stated on page 2 last paragraph the word seams should be spelled seems.

CM 11-1-17 MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES AS AMENDED

Motion by Kramer, supported by Rzyzi

Motion to approve the minutes as amended

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BILLS

Councilmember Parisien stated she is wondering about the numerous notations for HRC. There is one for \$3,356.00 on page 3, and one for \$4,300.00 on page 4 and one for \$1,960.00 on page 5. She then asked what are the invoices for. City Manager Ladner stated every so many years we have to submit a storm water permit to the MEDC and it is very convoluted and we have always used HRC to ensure it is done correctly. Councilmember Parisien asked if that is customary. City Manager Ladner stated it is. City Manager Ladner stated the next one is for the water asset management plan which is required by the State and it is customary for HRC to assist us with that. They have also helped with the wastewater asset management plan as well. Councilmember Parisien then asked about the invoice for \$1960.00. City Manager Ladner stated that is for the assistance they gave us to hire a class b operator for the wastewater plant.

Councilmember Kivell asked about the labor fees for flooring and stairs from Mark Crouch. City Manager Ladner stated that is for the work that was done on the gazebo. Councilmember Kivell then asked about the final bills from Plante Moran. City Manager Ladner stated they always charge the last of the bills after Council accepts the audit, and we then split the bills between departments. She further stated it has always been done that way.

CM 11-2-17 MOTION TO APPROVE THE BILLS

Motion by Kramer, supported by Kurtzweil

Motion to approve the bills as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION  
SWEARING IN OF ELECTED OFFICIALS

Clerk Deaton announced the Oakland County Board of Canvassers completed certifying the Election and we will now be swearing in the new Mayor and Councilmembers.

Clerk Deaton administered the Oath of Office to the following:

Dan Pelchat- Mayor, 2- year term  
 Glenn Kivell- Councilmember 4- year term  
 Carl Richards- Councilmember 4- year term  
 Rose Walton- Councilmember 4- year term

AGENDA

City Manager Ladner stated she would like to add a Mayoral Proclamation for the Salem South Lyon Library. It is for a TUBACHRISTMAS concert event as has been done in the past.

CM 11-3-17 MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA AS AMENDED

Motion by Rzyzi, supported by Parisien  
 Motion to approve the agenda as amended

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT

William Powell of 204 University stated he would like to congratulate Dan Pelchat as well as the new Councilmembers.

Josie Kearns of 229 Lyon Boulevard congratulated the new members of Council. Ms. Kearns invited everyone to the reception for the Quilt and Fiber Art Show which is November 15<sup>th</sup> from 6-8 pm here at City Hall. She then thanked Linda Robinson, Linda Graham, Heather Montilla, and Ken Michalik for all the work on the graphic design.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Discussion- Downtown

Robert Donohue stated he had 2 meetings regarding the future of TIF. He stated there is legislature that affects the funds that allow the DDA to operate. He stated we are in good shape. The other item is the historic tax credits. He stated there are 5 buildings being restored downtown but they aren't using the tax credits, but may in the future. He further stated the feds have removed the tax credits, but Michigan is proposing a State tax credit worth more. Mr. Donohue stated we had 2 new developers look at our master plan and developing between Detroit and the railroad tracks, and Whipple Street to the west. He stated the property owners have hired attorneys to speak with the developers. Mr. Donohue stated Ladies Night Out is Friday night and there will be shuttles available and signage will be up about the pickup stops. Mr. Donohue stated the ribbon cutting at the South Lyon Hotel is December 1<sup>st</sup>. Councilmember Richards asked Mr. Donohue about the circumstances to qualify for State money for 5-foot sidewalks. Mr. Donohue stated there are funds available but there are no requirements to go from 4 ft. to 5 ft. and you would have to have enough money to do so. Mr. Richards asked about guidelines to get grants for wider sidewalks and if there is a break. Mr. Donohue stated no breaks. City Manager Ladner stated 5 ft.

sidewalks are usually for walking/running trails and bike paths to allow for multiple people to pass each other. Traditionally sidewalks are 4 ft. wide because it meets ADA requirements. Councilmember Kivell stated the City standard is 5 ft. Councilmember Richards stated in some spots it isn't adequate such as in front of our building. He spoke with the schools. That is one example, there are other areas where the sidewalks are 80 years old and he thought it should be brought up.

## 2. Consider resolution to amend 2016-2017 Fee Schedule

City Manager Ladner stated this resolution amends the current adopted fee schedule. She stated the current fee requires anyone replacing a water heater or an HVAC unit and is prohibitable for many people. This will bring the cost down on both permits by combining them. She further stated they will still have to have plumbing and mechanical inspections. Councilmember Kivell stated he is disappointed how this has turned out. He stated he checked with Brighton and their permit is \$50.00, Northville Township is \$70.00 He further stated he doesn't understand why we are so much higher in cost. The only other one higher is Wixom and that is because Safebuilt is their contractor. City Manager Ladner stated she met with our building inspector and this is the fee they came up with, but if Council wants to change it they can. She further stated this requires multiple inspections by multiple contractors. Councilmember Kivell stated there should only be 2 inspections, not multiple. City Manager Ladner stated there is an initial inspection as well as a final inspection. Councilmember Kivell stated he thinks that is incorrect. He then stated he can't vote for \$108.00

Councilmember Parisien stated she would like to know what are some comparisons to other communities. City Manager Ladner stated she didn't speak with other communities, she met with our building inspector. Councilmember Parisien clarified that a water heater replacement is \$108.00 and replacing an HVAC unit is also \$108.00 City Manager Ladner stated that is correct.

Councilmember Rzyzi asked how much Safebuilt charges us? City Manager Ladner stated they get 75% of permit fees. Councilmember Rzyzi then asked how many of those permits are issued each year and if the volume is small enough maybe we should lower the fees to make it easier for our residents. City Manager Ladner stated she will have to check with the building department, but maybe we should table this until a future meeting and do more research.

Councilmember Kurtzweil stated the point is the permit is on the revenue side of the budget and anytime we discuss eliminating any revenue she would like to see the fiscal impact. She further stated she is a little hesitant to do so without seeing the impact on the budget. She will be more comfortable to deal with this during budget discussions.

Councilmember Richards asked if this is just for a single household. City Manager Ladner stated this is for a home that is changing their hot water heater or HVAC system. She further stated we only determine the permit fee. She further stated this is not related to commercial buildings.

Councilmember Parisien asked if we could ask the building inspector to be at the next meeting. City Manager Ladner stated she will ask him to attend.

### CM 11-4-17 MOTION TO TABLE UNTIL NEXT MEETING

Motion by Rzyzi, supported by Kurtzweil

Motion to table until next meeting for further information

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### NEW BUSINESS

1. Appointment- Mayor Pro-Tem



City Manager Ladner stated Kathy Swan is unable to be here tonight because she is ill. She further stated the Cool Yule Parade is coming up on December 2<sup>nd</sup> and everyone always enjoys it. Chief Collins stated the road closures are the same as in prior years. It will take about 45 minutes, we are requesting the road closures from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Councilmember Richards stated he hopes this year's event will be as well organized as it has been in the past. He further stated on the Historical side, they have worked hard on this to ensure everything is ready. Chief Collins stated he can assure him it will be.

CM 11-8-17 MOTION TO APPROVE ROAD CLOSURES FOR COOL YULE PARADE

Motion by Kivell, supported by Rzyzi

Motion to approve the requested road closures on December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. for the Cool Yule parade

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Review CAP letter

City Manager Ladner stated this is the corrective action plan letter we have to send to the State because we used fund balance money last year. She stated the City is not using a significant amount of fund balance, we still have over 2 million in fund balance but because we used some in the past a corrective action letter was sent to us. She stated it is our anticipation to ensure the budget is balanced in the future and we will not need to use anymore of the fund balance.

Councilmember Rzyzi stated he wants to stress why the budget is so important for Council to stay on top of. He stated we need to start holding some work sessions, he doesn't want to wait until the last minute.

Councilmember Kivell stated we don't actually engage ourselves in the working machine of every aspect of the City. We are supposed to decide policy and the direction and let the Department Heads and City Manager decide how we get there. We have had some trouble over the last couple of years and the letter is a little bit over blown because we have the fire truck that kind of shifts things substantially more severe from the 2016 budget but we have had 3 years of exceeding revenue so we do need to take this seriously but it doesn't need to be alarming, but it needs tending to.

Councilmember Kurtzweil stated this is a very serious and alarming situation. She further stated this is the 2<sup>nd</sup> corrective action letter we have received from the State and she thinks we are the only community in the area that received them. She further stated we need to spend some time on the budget and she wants to remind the new Councilmembers that the statutory authority for spending and taxing is Council and not the City Manager. Therefore, this is a direct responsibility of Council to get into this budget, and we need to abide by the Statute. She further stated she is going to stay on top of this and micromanage a little in areas that are needed. She further stated eventually we will get there.

Councilmember Richards stated he agrees with Maggie and Glenn. He stated his slant on this is the proper role of Council is to set goals and parameters, in other words a target for the City to spend within a certain level and we may need to have some work sessions because he has a lot of ideas. No point in Council trying to micromanage every little thing, we need to set goals to reasonably obtain and let the City Manager handle the administrative part and he will give her some suggestions on ways to save money.

5. Discussion- condition, current needs and future plans for rental houses located on East McHattie Park property

City Manager Ladner stated it has been brought to her attention the rental house in front of McHattie Park now has a leak in the roof and becoming uninhabitable. She stated the quotes are in excess of \$5,000. We put a tarp over it for now. She stated there are some electrical issues, along with other minor issues. She stated we are making money on that property, but maybe Council should consider if they want to still be a landlord, or if we want to let the tenant know that we will be terminating the lease and move forward with preparing the property for demolition. Councilmember Rzyzi asked what is our profit on the house. City Manager Ladner stated she believes just over \$2,000 plus expenses. She stated the rent isn't a substantial amount.

Councilmember Rzyzi stated we aren't making a lot of money on this and if there are alternate plans, he is willing to discuss it.

Councilmember Kivell stated he doesn't have a problem vacating the property but it hasn't had a lot of costly maintenance, but the roof changes the dynamic. He stated if we decide to do that let's try to get it torn down quickly so we aren't paying taxes on vacant property.

Councilmember Richards stated he has been in that house many times and it is well made. He stated when the house was first purchased, the City allowed the DPW workers that didn't have a place to live stay there. He further stated it is a cozy place. He stated he knows it isn't a good fit for the City to maintain rental houses and we tore down several houses in the past we owned and a house on the same property as the current rental house. He further stated the small house that was tore down was because there was black mold in it and it was a shame. It is a major victory the place never got turned into a strip mall. He thinks it is worth preserving the house and the renter has been a good tenant.

6. Mayoral Proclamation

City Manager Ladner stated for the past several years the Salem South Lyon Library has done the TUBACHRISTMAS. It is a free concert consisting of tuba players from all ages and it was started decades ago, and it is an outside event that people really enjoy. Mayor Pelchat then read the TUBACHRISTMAS proclamation.

BUDGET

Councilmember Kurtzweil stated this is her 3<sup>rd</sup> year working on the budget and one of the things her research showed some communities have a resolution with the budget that established a policy of Council to decide how far they would dip into the general fund. She stated she has not found one here in the City and she is interested if Council is interested in doing so. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated what that does is puts in place any major expenditures in check because you will have this resolution in place to make you think twice about it before you dip into general fund. She stated the policy will say we have a minimum level of general fund. She further stated even though we have had a couple good quarters there will always be dips and troughs in the economy and we need to prepare for it. We need to start working with the broad nature of the budget.

Councilmember Kivell stated he mentioned a report he would like regarding the uncapping of our taxes. He further stated Ann Grady supplied him with the report and it shows there has been 7.8 million dollars

in taxable value changes but it doesn't include Colonial Acres, he is waiting for an answer on what triggers that. He further stated we are going to be hit by Headlee amendment because we will be exceeding the rate of inflation or 5% (prop A) and it will be a governor on our own economy limiting what we can generate in tax revenue. Unless we can get a Headlee override which will have to be passed by a vote of the residents, to allow us to have the ability to charge a rate that is in the Charter. He further stated the idea of trying to encumber ourselves more than we already are is rough, but he is willing to listen to anything anyone wants to discuss, but we are getting jammed up on a number of different fronts and our taxable value is going up, but yet we can't utilize it.

Councilmember Rzyzi stated he agrees with Maggie and he is always in favor of watching what we are spending and any and all checks and balances to stop us from overspending is beneficial for the City and taxpayers. Councilmember Rzyzi then asked City Manager Ladner when we can start reviewing the budget. City Manager Ladner stated she is hoping to meet with the Department Heads in early December, then in early January she will bring that to Council. Councilmember Rzyzi stated ultimately all decisions and spending is approved by Council. His suggestion is to look at what the employee costs are, including health care, benefits and overtime to see what our base line is. He further stated if we need to have a special meeting that is fine with him.

Councilmember Kurtzweil stated when she started her research, what came up is at some point Council has to decide how far do you allow the general fund balance to go. That is more of the policy issue because that sets some fiscal discipline and that prepares for the time when the economy is not doing well. She further stated we need to start on that fiscal track and get some agreement on Council that we can stop the bleeding of the general fund.

Councilmember Rzyzi stated he is in favor of more checks and balances.

Councilmember Richards stated it is his understanding that Plante Moran has gone as far as they are required to go with us. City Manager Ladner stated they have nothing to do with the budget, if they did, they couldn't be our auditor. Councilmember Richards asked if it is possible to look at other models from other communities or if we can make our own. City Manager Ladner asked what models is he asking about. Councilmember Richards stated that is for her to decide. Councilmember Richards stated he was hoping someone could make it clear where the City stands now, and in 5 years and 9 years in terms of correcting and balancing a favorable balance with MERS and bond issues. City Manager Ladner stated our general bond issues are in good shape, we are on the same 22-year paydown that most municipalities are on, although we are hoping to pay off sooner by having higher employee contributions. She further stated our general fund balance is actually 47% of our annual budget which puts us in the top 10% of communities, but if Council wants to raise that we can do so. Councilmember Richards stated we should work this out at the workshop.

Councilmember Rzyzi stated a lot of these questions will be answered in January, and if we already know we are on track to spend more than we are taking in we will have to make adjustments and the earlier we get the numbers the better. Councilmember Kivell stated his first interest is getting in the black and staying there, so our expenditures are not exceeding our revenues. City Manager Ladner stated there are other areas we can look into for gaining more revenue. An alternative revenue source would be transportation, grow facilities which must be in an industrial area which we have a large industrial area that is vacant, we could charge a \$5,000 permit fee for each one of those businesses. Councilmember Parisien stated she is open to any ideas anyone may have regarding revenue, we should at least discuss

any ideas we may have to see what our options are. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she spoke in the spring about the City's revenue flatlining and we need to have additional revenue, whether it is from grants, or medical marijuana. She further stated the revenue from taxes will not help us expand McHattie Park, or develop Volunteer Park or other things the City wants. We have rising costs in pensions and labor. There will be inflation as well. She further stated you need another source of revenue or you need options to curb your legacy costs. Those will be the challenges the City will face.

#### MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Ladner stated she and Tim have been working with MERS to bring a resolution and plan for the defined contribution and there are a few more blanks to fill in and there will be a MERS representative at the next meeting.

City Manager Ladner stated the annual Appreciation event for commission members and volunteers will be at the South Lyon Hotel on December 6<sup>th</sup>.

City Hall will be closed on Thursday and Friday November 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> for Thanksgiving.

City Manager Ladner stated each member of Council will be receiving a newly elected Council reference packet regarding the City, partner organizations, FOIA, open meetings information, parliamentary procedures and more and hopefully it will be helpful to you. She further stated the MML is offering newly elected officials training and City will pay for your attendance if anyone is interested. City Manager Ladner stated city email addresses will be supplied for all new councilmembers.

Councilmember Rzyzi asked if the curbs at the Knolls have been replaced to meet ADA requirement yet. City Manager Ladner stated Don Gotham our Ordinance Inspector is dealing with them and we have issued them 2 warnings and if they don't comply, we will then be issuing tickets and go to court if necessary. Councilmember Rzyzi stated the drains don't seem to be working in that area either, but he doesn't know whose issue that is. City Manager Ladner stated that is the responsibility of the Knolls. Councilmember Parisien asked if Council can start receiving the weekly reports again. City Manager Ladner stated yes. Councilmember Parisien asked what is the status of having the water tower painted. City Manager Ladner stated that is scheduled to be done in the spring, the bid documents did not arrive until after the painting season. Councilmember Parisien asked what the status is of hiring someone for the DPW and Water and Sewer Superintendent. City Manager Ladner stated we have been waiting for the MERS to be put in place for new hires so we know what benefits we can offer the candidate and hopes to be advertising this week. Councilmember Parisien stated she would be more comfortable if we could have a liaison from the DPW or the Water and Sewer Department at our Council meetings. We can relay information back and forth, but if there is something on the Agenda that pertains to them, she would appreciate having a liaison at our meetings. City Manager Ladner stated she doesn't have a problem doing that, but it will be overtime for them to attend and Council has said in the past they are concerned about the overtime in those departments. She will ask them to come if they don't question the overtime.

Councilmember Parisien stated their overtime isn't a concern to her, their overtime is justified. She stated her concern is getting proper information from the proper people that can supply Council with answers. Councilmember Parisien asked if we are utilizing HRC too much when we have such talented DPW and Water and Sewer employees. City Manager Ladner stated we need HRC because they are an engineering firm with engineering background and while our employees are very qualified and good workers, they don't have the engineering background that we need and HRC isn't doing anything different than what we would be using them for even if Bob Martin was still here. Councilmember Parisien stated she disagrees and the only people that are qualified to answer that question is our DPW or Water workers.

Councilmember Kivell stated he doesn't think everything is equal, but it would be nice to hear some



things directly from them. He doesn't want to pay them overtime to attend meetings unless there is something pertinent to them. Councilmember Rzyzi stated he assumes the City Manager speaks with the different departments every day and if there are questions, they can give her the proper information, he doesn't think they need to be here. Councilmember Richards stated he agrees with Mary, and Joe and Lynne. He knows the guys and he has talked with them and someone should be here from time to time, and he trusts the City Manager and the employees but he doesn't trust HRC, they will give you a song and dance.

#### COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Rzyzi stated he wants to thank all of the Election workers and Lisa and Judy and wants to commend them on all their hard work. He knows it is a very long day and the weeks and months it takes to prepare. He further congratulated all the newly elected Council and Mayor. He stated everyone has a lot of strengths, Carl has a lot of knowledge of the City, Glenn has been here a long time and you have that foundation, Rose is a life long resident and cares deeply for the City and Dan will do great. To run against 7 people and that shows the commitment and he believes those that campaign the hardest will do the best work. He then thanked all the other people that ran for Council and he hopes they will pursue this again in the future. Councilmember Rzyzi stated he was on the Zoning Board of Appeals 7 years ago, they meet once a month and with his family situation with activities and all, he will be turning in his resignation because of the time involved. He then asked Councilmember Richards if he is interested in replacing him. Councilmember Richards stated he would be glad to work on that. Councilmember Rzyzi stated he has to resign for strictly family reasons.

Councilmember Rzyzi stated he is happy we are making progress on the MERS situation and he heard from a lot of employees and residents. He further stated we need to offer a little more than the private sector because he wants to stress we also need to watch out for our employees and residents and he fears if we aren't generous enough with the new MERS plan we won't get the good employees the residents deserve. He is confident it will be something the current employees will be comfortable with. Councilmember Rzyzi then thanked everyone that voted.

Councilmember Parisien stated at the Liquor License sub committee meeting they had many business owners involved. They had tremendous progress. The businesses expressed their concerns and she thanked them for attending the meeting. Councilmember Parisien congratulated the new Mayor and Council and she respects everyone that ran it is not easy to campaign and run for office. Councilmember Parisien stated she wants to give a special shout out to Biggby Coffee. They sometimes has a fundraiser event and invite a celebrity guest to act as barista and that was such a very clean facility and everyone there was very kind and it was great to go in and meet the new people and residents. Councilmember Parisien stated she would like to encourage Council to go to the Police, Fire, DPW, Water and City Hall and meet our employees and get to know them. We have incredible talent and hard workers. She also suggested they visit a Cultural Arts Commission meeting. She stated the boots on the ground people on the ground are very important and it's important to get to know the employees of the City because it is easy to sit up here one sided and make decisions blindly, but when you meet them and hear from them it is harder to make those decisions. Councilmember Parisien stated Ladies Night Out is November 17<sup>th</sup> and that will be an incredible event as well as the Cultural Art Quilt Show on Wednesday November 15<sup>th</sup>.

Councilmember Richards stated he wanted to thank everyone that helped with his campaign and his workers. He further stated it has been a little over 90 days since his surgery. He thanked Ryan Lare and

his neighbors as well that have helped him greatly. He further stated the dedicated people that ran in the last Election, he hopes they will find another committee to join and continue their interest in the City. Councilmember Richards stated the South Lyon Woods trailer park wouldn't allow them to print anything, but as of this year they had brought in 50 new homes and 2 on board and 8 more ordered for next year. That is a lot of homes since 2015. They worked primarily with Tom Lyons and with his initiative they got to the top people. He further stated they will do more road work and he hopes that includes the laundry mat parking lot. They will be removing 4 more homes this year and upgrade the basketball hoops. He further stated they are looking at replacing the fence that borders Hungry Howie's. Councilmember Richards stated he has been urging them to replace the sidewalk as well, it is treacherous and dangerous. Councilmember Richards stated he would prefer larger print on his Council packets, he has a hard time reading it. He stated the old Padywacs building is vacant. He further stated the business moved to 116 N Lafayette and he has over 7,000 dvds. Sharon moved to Canton. Councilmember Richards stated there is a calendar included in the packet and all the notations were added was very nice. They are all of the different events that happen at the Historical Village. Councilmember Richards thanked everyone that worked on Council and for their dedication and especially Harvey with his knowledge of budgetary matters is pretty well hard to match and he hopes we can make up for it with aggressive financing. He then stated he put in a lot of time with each of the different commissions, including putting his own money in on things. He wants clarification because he was told he can attend the meetings, but he can't participate except as a general audience member. He stated he has done a lot of work for Parks and Recreation along with all the other commissions. He stated most of the Parks and Recreation Commission are ladies that are school teachers and they don't get out much, and they don't see the things he does. He then asked Attorney Wilhelm if he can continue. Attorney Wilhelm stated he will sit down with Councilmember Richards and discuss that with him and what he has been told. He further stated he will have to find out what he would like to continue to do with them. Councilmember Richards stated he has benefited those people and helped them out, especially with the historical background and the time capsule he was able to find. He stated the DPW thanked him, but told him it is now a Parks and Recreation issue.

Councilmember Walton stated she wants to thank everyone that voted and everyone that went out and made a difference and the senior community that elected her onto Council and let's move forward.

Councilmember Kurtzweil thanked all the candidates for running and stated it is not easy to put your name out there and run for office. She stated it is amazing the nasty things people will say about you on Facebook just because they don't want you to get elected, it has nothing to do with your credentials and you just have to ignore the noise and consider the source. The people saying the nasty life and if you look into they way they are living you will see why they say what they say. She then thanked everyone that came out and worked hard and came forward, and there are plenty of opportunities to get involved. She doesn't think anyone on Council would discourage anyone from getting involved. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she would like to welcome the new members of Council, Glenn, Carl and Rose, they each bring an interesting dynamic to Council and it is going to be a great journey because everyone is moving forward. She then thanked our new Mayor Dan Pelchat for doing a great job tonight, he understands Robert's Rules of Order very well and he is excelling at it and doing great and she is anticipating that is the way his career will go on City Council. She further stated he is going to lead us all to some great opportunities in the future. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated last week she ran into 2 DPW workers at Paul Baker Park and she went to speak with them and it was raining and they wouldn't shake her hand because they were covered in mud. That is the kind of workers we have, they were there to get the fountain ready for next year and she then thanked them again. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated

Biggy Coffee has a great crew and she loves going there. It is nice we have these little venues in the City for everyone to enjoy. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated it is a little late, but she wants to thank all of the veterans in the City but also a special thank you to the vets that served in Vietnam, thank you for your service and your courage, 58,000 of you didn't come home. She then stated you may not have had a parade but welcome home and we love you. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she is looking forward to the new Council and a special thank you to John Taylor. Happy Thanksgiving.

Councilmember Kivell thanked all the Election workers that stuck out the whole day, late into the evening as well as Lisa, and Judy. He wished they would have been a little overworked but it is nice they stick in there. He then congratulated everyone that won and thanked everyone that ran for Council and Mayor and he hopes they will continue to get their feet wet and stay in the arena, they are really quality people. Councilmember Kivell stated the Veterans Day Ceremony was great and the video Rich Perry did was really well done. He stated he had a hard time hearing the speech, but the video and audio is very clear and the comments were very pertinent. Councilmember Kivell asked if anyone did a summary of the liquor license discussions. Councilmember Parisien stated there were a variety of different business owners and they think the current ordinance is too restrictive and it may inhibit their business. She further stated the business owners are not in favor of the current ordinance. They would like it to mirror State law. Councilmember Kivell stated he was surprised we would make a change anyway after the food truck issue. He then thanked the voters for voting for him, wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving and he is looking forward to the new members of Council getting to know each other.

Mayor Pelchat stated he wants to thank the City staff and the volunteers, and we had great weather on Election Day. He then thanked all the candidates that ran for Mayor and Council. He stated the media maybe took advantage of us not having someone file to run for Mayor and that may be seen as a black eye, but this is a blue-collar town and we had 9 people step up and ready to go and that is impressive and he thanks each and everyone of them. He stated he wants to thank his family, friends, staff, and fiancé Meredith Peterson. He stated he has a sports background and we have a great team for the next 2 years and we have a fantastic opportunity to continue leading this City down the path of greatness. He further stated on top of that, he will get better at this each week and he thanked everyone.

#### ADJOURNMENT

##### 11-9-17 MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion by Rzyzi, supported by Kurtzweil

Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:37 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
 Mayor Dan Pelchat

  
 Clerk/Treasurer Deaton