

The City of South Lyon
Regular Council Meeting
April 25, 2016

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: Dedakis, Kivell, Kramer, Kurtzweil, Rzyzi and Wedell

Also Present: City Manager Ladner, Chief Collins, Chief Kennedy, Department Head Martin,
Clerk/Treasurer Deaton and Attorney Wilhelm

MINUTES

APRIL 9, 2016 BUDGET WORKSHOP

Councilmember Wedell stated on the last page the words general fund should be changed to fund balance.

CM 4-1-16 MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Wedell, supported by Kramer
Motion to approve minutes as amended

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

APRIL 11, 2016 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

Councilmember Kivell stated the sentence should be modified to violation of confidentiality.
Councilmember Kramer stated on page 6, the third sentence should be changed to without involvement of
the client. He further stated on the same page it should say they serve.

CM 4-2-16 MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

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

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BILLS- None

AGENDA

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CM 4-3-16 MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA

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

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kathy Swan 44 Woodland Place stated she is here to let everyone know the Relay for Life Event will be May 14th and May 15th at Millennium Middle School and they will also be painting the town purple on May 7th where they will be putting up purple ribbons throughout town. Ms. Swan stated cancer touches everyone at some point in their lives and we need to stop cancer in its tracks. She further stated there are many activities and everyone is invited.

Carl Richards stated the creek clean up was a great success and we had a huge turnout and they did a great job. He further stated he attended the event at the Historical Depot and there was standing room only. Mr. Richards stated Peoples Express has new fees. Mr. Richards stated we still have time if Council would like to have a ballot question during this year's Elections.

OLD BUSINESS- None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider application for City of South Lyon quota Class C liquor license

Mark Jerant stated he recently moved to the area. He stated he has been in the restaurant business for 14 years and it appears the City is lacking a nicer date night type restaurant. Mr. Jerant stated he is proposing the corner coffee café location and he would like to open a bistro style restaurant. He further stated he has spoken with the current tenant regarding buying out his lease. Mr. Jerant stated there are a couple other locations in the City, but that would be his preference. Discussion was held regarding the floor space available for seating. Mr. Jerant stated he wants a smaller space for a more interactive experience. He further stated the outside seating area would be great as well. Councilmember Kivell stated he likes the smaller environments, but with this being our last quota license, he would like to see something that holds a lot more potential for being a draw for additional economic development that would be sprung around that entity. He further stated there are 11 escrow licenses that are available and he understands there is a cost difference between the quota license, but that quota license is one of the few lures we have to attract something more of a grand scale. Mr. Jerant stated the difference in cost of the quota license basically means whatever extra the escrow license costs, which is money not getting put into the business. He further stated you can put a contingency with the quota licenses stating the license has to stay in the City for a certain number of years, and that is an option. Councilmember Rzyzi thanked Mr. Jerant for coming out, and he agrees we need to have a nicer restaurant in the downtown to draw people out and people want to keep their money here, but that hasn't happened as much in the past.

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Councilmember Dedakis stated she thinks this is a great idea and she is happy with his entrepreneurship and the restaurant reminds her of some smaller places in Plymouth. Mr. Jerant stated he is hoping to have a bistro style which is between the white table cloth and sports bar restaurant. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she likes the coffee shop location and we cannot allow going vacant. She further stated she doesn't believe the residents want a sports bar in that location because we already have a few. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated the restaurant will need to be unique and the outdoor dining will be very important as well. Mr. Jerant stated he is self-funding this restaurant and he wants to ensure this business will be successful. Discussion was held regarding the Townsend restaurant. Mayor Galeas stated we definitely need a destination place in the City.

2. Consider approval of Michigan Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MI-MABAS) updated agreement

Chief Kennedy stated this is an agreement for Michigan Mutual Aid Box Alarm System. (MI-MABAS) He stated we fall under the Oakland County emergency management system. He further stated we would get the first 8 hours of free service. Chief Kennedy stated most counties are having a hard time funding the specialized teams, which would assist with technical rescue, and hazmat. He stated we have very few of such incidents in the City, but they have happened county-wide. Oakland County does have their own assets, but if the City had an incident, we could call in assets from the members of the MI-MABAS.

CM 4-4-16 MOTION TO APPROVE THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE MI-MABAS AGREEMENT

Motion by Kivell, supported by Dedakis

Motion to allow Mayor Galeas to sign MI-MABAS Agreement

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Consider approval of special event permit for annual Lake Street Curise-In 2016 to take place monthly beginning May 2016 through September 2016

Chief Collins stated all of the paperwork is in order. Debbie Cook of 257014 McClory Drive stated they are asking for approval with no changes from the previous event except for a time change in September from 6:30 to 6:00 p.m. Attorney Wilhelm stated the City will need to see the actual insurance policy, not just the certificate of insurance which has been supplied to us in the past. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated this is a great event and they do a great job.

CM 4-6-16 MOTION TO APPROVE THE LAKE STREET CRUISE-IN SPECIAL EVENT

Motion by Rzyzi, supported by Kivell

Motion to approve the Lake Street Cruise-in application and Resolve 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 Lake Street Cruise-in on May 25, June 22, July 27, August 24, and September 28, 2016 and the related road closures: Lake Street between Lafayette Street and

Reese Street from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., (except Sept. 28 – closure at 6 p.m.), 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

4. Consider approval of special event permit for Brown's Root Beer Fifty-Six years Celebration

Mr. Brown of Brown's Root Beer is requesting permission to close McHattie Street from Pontiac Trail to the Collision Shop for his 56 year celebration on September 24, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Mr. Brown stated they will be closing on October 8th. Mayor Galeas stated he will be missed.

CM 4-7-16 MOTION TO APPROVE ROAD CLOSURE

Motion by Kramer, supported by Kurtzweil
Motion to approve the closure of McHattie Street between Pontiac Trail and South Lyon Collision on September 24, 2016 from 5:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Consider approval of resolution proclaiming May Community Mental Health Month

CM 4-8-16 MOTION TO PROCLAIM MAY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH MONTH

Motion by Wedell, supported by Kramer
Motion to proclaim May as Community Mental Health Month

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

DISCUSSION- Downtown

Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she received a phone call from a downtown business owner and she ran into a couple that were considering renting the old Grande Trunk building, and were going to make \$5,000 to \$6,000 improvements, but after looking at the outside of the Artcraft building, they changed their mind. She is hoping possibly the owner of the Artcraft building can maybe take the blue tarps down and just put up black curtains. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she was in contact with a business about coming to our downtown, but they decided not to. The problem for them was their first quarter profits would be a little tough because we didn't have enough sidewalk traffic.

Councilmember Rzyzi stated there were some good ideas from everyone at the Strategic Planning session and most importantly was the downtown and we need to continue to have this as an agenda item. City

Manager Ladner stated she is meeting with the Department Heads this week and is hoping to have more information for Council at the May 9th meeting.

Mayor Galeas stated he has gotten many emails regarding the clock downtown. Department Head Martin stated two sides of the clock failed, but it is in the shop and we are hoping to have it fixed within the next 2 weeks.

MANAGERS REPORT

City Manager Ladner stated she wants to remind everyone of the Chamber awards on Wednesday the 27th of April. She stated the spring clean-up will be on May 14th for anyone interested in participating. City Manager Ladner stated she wanted to thank Ken Mihalic for the great pictures he turned in for the City website.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Kivell stated there was a comment made on Facebook by Mark Cope regarding the unsightly fencing along the rail trail next to the Michigan Seamless Tube Company. He further stated it was suggested we have a mural of old railroad cars painted on the fence. Councilmember Kivell stated we are trying to coordinate all of the people that will need to be involved, and it could be a situation that we may need to come up with some kind of donations to fund this project. He further stated there are two other locations, back of Hornet concrete building as well as wall at the McHattie Park parking lot.

Councilmember Rzyzi stated he was involved with the Budget Workshop on Saturday therefore he wasn't able to attend the Pint Sized Marathon, but he did walk down to McHattie Park after the meeting and it was crowded with people. He further stated we need to continue to support all of the events in town and we need more of them. Councilmember Rzyzi stated he is still very concerned about the Lyon Auto Wash sign. City Manager Ladner stated it was off earlier today, and we are currently issuing a letter to revoke their building permit which will cause them to have to turn the sign off until it is in compliance. Councilmember Rzyzi stated this is a safety issue, and many people have contacted him about the size and location. City Manager Ladner stated this is being addressed. Mayor Galeas agreed that the sign is a safety issue. Attorney Wilhelm stated we will be ready to move forward with legal action if necessary. He further stated we want to be reasonable and try to work with him for compliance.

Councilmember Kramer stated the Volunteer Park Committee is meeting again on Wednesday. He further stated he would like to thank everyone involved with the longevity walk since it was sponsored by his neighbor who is a cancer survivor.

Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she would like to thank the Four Seasons Garden Club for featuring the Violins and Seascapes event in their membership directory. This is a great way to partner with other organizations to promote the City. She further stated she attended a speech by Randy Greiken who is a bee keeper and in that speech, he mentioned how much he enjoys the South Lyon Farmers Market and they have the nicest people there.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Kramer, supported by Kivell
Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:16 p.m.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor John Galeas

Lisa Deaton Clerk/Treasurer