

CITY OF SOUTH LYON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
APRIL 24, 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 Parisien, Kivell, Kramer, Kurtzweil, and Wedell
ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Ladner, Chief Collins, Chief Kennedy, Department Head Martin,
Attorney Wilhelm and Deputy Clerk Pieper

ABSENT: Councilmember Rzyzi, and Clerk Deaton
Mayor Galeas stated Councilmember Rzyzi will be absent due to work

CM 4-1-17 MOTION TO EXCUSE THE ABSENCE OF COUNCILMEMBER RZYZI

Motion by Kramer, supported by Kurtzweil
Motion to excuse Councilmember Rzyzi's absence

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Councilmember Parisien stated on page 2, Diane Beagle should be spelled with Dianne. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated on page 7 after Ryan Lare tells Councilmember Parisien she is out of line, Councilmember Kurtzweil said to Parisien, you are shameful Mary.

CM 4-2-17 MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS AMENDED

Motion by Wedell, supported by Kurtzweil
Motion to approve the minutes as amended

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BILLS- None

Kurtzweil asked Wilhelm what the issue was with Rite Aid and the Michigan Tax Tribunal. Wilhelm stated that is being handled by someone else in his office so he will have to check with her. City Manager Ladner stated they are contesting their assessment. Kurtzweil stated there was a lot of work done on 500 Stryker, and asked if there is any vehicle for covering some of the legal costs from the applicant. Ladner stated we do for the planning cost, but she doesn't know about the legal expenses. Kurtzweil stated we should look at that, maybe we can start pushing some of the legal costs onto the applicant, they are a consumer of our legal sources and considering the sad condition of our budget, we should look at recouping some of our money. Kurtzweil asked Wilhelm if she can receive copies of the materials he was given by the building official regarding the operations of the Construction Board of Appeals. Wilhelm stated he would give her the information.

AGENDA

CM 4-3-17 MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA AS PRESENTED

Motion by Kramer, supported by Kivell
Motion to approve the agenda as presented

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VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ryan Lare of 716 Grand Court stated Depot day is September 9th and thanks to Pete's Value for donating the Cotton Candy machine for no cost. Many things are being planned.

Mr. Lare stated Mary was shameful at the last meeting and before you attack a resident and two distinguished Councilmembers, you should think about what you say, you didn't ask if anyone paid him, you asked if he got paid by two councilmembers. He further stated if you would have asked him if he was paid, he would have just said no. He stated he reported her to the Michigan Bar Association for her actions, and if Councilmember Kivell wasn't currently under investigation, he would have gone to the Police Department and filed a criminal report against you. He stated her behavior is unacceptable as a councilmember. He further stated he wants her to prove her facts during her comments tonight, however he believes she won't have her facts.

Carl Richards 390 Lenox stated you will all be amazed with the good news we have going on around town, we are all on the same page. He stated the trailer park is moving along with 4 new trailers, 16 x 66 and 16 x 70, which are big trailers. They will be removing some older trailers, and street repairs will be happening this week. Mr. Richards stated the South Lyon Hotel is moving along and have installed corrugated roofing and the roof decking and he hopes it will have a slope too it and it won't be flat.

He stated Heinanen Engineering told him they will putting up a shiny new flag pole.

He stated Pullum is putting up an addition and it looks impressive. He stated the DPW has done a lot of work around town including cleaning and painting the grilles. He stated our friends at 304 N Lafayette known as the Middle Eastern restaurant looks interesting. Mr. Richards stated the Historical Society clean up went well with 25 people helping and 8 girl scouts and 6 parents. There were only 3 in the gardening group. Mr. Richards stated the clean-up led by the tube mill had 60 people helping and he was involved with that as well. Mr. Richards stated the house at 326 N Lafayette was built back in 1855 and it qualifies as a historical preservation location. Mr. Richards stated he went to the Salvation Army and it was fabulous, he hasn't seen anything like it. They have many carts and he was impressed and it's a wonderful addition to the community. Mr. Richards stated Providence is planning an addition this year, but they didn't give him details. Mr. Richards stated he dropped by Mr. Kaplans and wished him the best. Mr. Richards stated they started the demolition at the old Browns. He stated he got a quote from Active Faith that he wanted to share with everyone. "There is nothing stronger than the heart of a volunteer with it be the spirit of service, generosity and compassion and the health and well-being of our health, our community and our world."

SWEAR IN OF FIRE OFFICER

Chief Kennedy stated we recently went through the process of a promotional process to fulfill a vacancy we had. He explained the process which includes written exam, outside oral board along with a final interview. He stated Ryan Carlington passed and is promoted to the rank of Lieutenant.

Deputy Clerk Pieper came to the podium and swore Ryan in as Lieutenant.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Consider adoption of naming policy for parks and other city owned and operated facilities and related form

Erica Wilson and Denise Semion were present from the Parks and Recreation Commission. Ms. Wilson stated they attended the last meeting and asked for questions from Council. Ms. Wilson stated Councilmember Rzyzi had some concerns because the policy didn't include things such as establishing a database to document to track the memorials. Ms. Wilson stated that is a separate issue from the naming of City assets which is why it isn't in the policy, that will be handled separately. Ms. Wilson stated Councilmember Rzyzi also wanted to know the exact dollar amount listed in the policy that private industry would have to have to name a City asset. Ms. Wilson stated in section 4-part E states 60% of that cost is the threshold they have suggested based on the research they have done with 7 other communities that have city asset policies. She stated another of his concerns was that Council will be able to name a City asset without the Parks and Recreations permission. Ms. Wilson stated one of the things she wants to clarify is everything will not come to the Parks and Recreation Commission. She stated if it has to do with the parks, it will go through the Parks and Recreation Commission, if it is in the Historical area, it will go to them. There is a procedure and application that decides who it goes to. Ms. Wilson stated Mr. Rzyzi was also asking to have something in the policy to bypass the procedures, and that would remove any checks and balances that we have for the policy.

Councilmember Kramer stated he thought it was straight forward and he thanked them for their time because he knows it took a lot of time. Councilmember Wedell stated he also thanked them for their time and he is happy with the effort and completeness. Councilmember Parisien stated it very thorough and it is direct and it is a good read and stated they did a good job. Councilmember Kivell stated this is just what he expected and it is very commonsensical and straightforward. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she wanted to thank them for being inclusive and listening to the concerns councilmembers had. She further stated she wanted to thank them for listening to what everyone had to say and thank you for their professionalism. Mayor Galeas stated he agrees with everyone, it was really well done. Ms. Wilson stated they have a few minor changes in language but she will get that done and give to the City Manager before the next Council meeting.

2. Consider façade grant and sign program and policies

Bob Donohue stated this is a carryover item so we could change some of the language in the documents. Councilmember Kramer asked if this is a one-time grant offer. Mr. Donohue commented it is a one-time only and the building cannot be altered for the next 5 years. Councilmember Kurtzweil commented that she has been an advocate for this for a while, and Wyandotte has done a lot of work with facades. She further stated this isn't something the City will do forever, probably just a 2 or 3-year project at the most. She further stated this is important because the City has never before, which is make an investment in the downtown. She commented people need to understand the business owners are kicking in money for the façade work as well. For example, they have to pitch in their own money as well, such as if Lake Street uses all 3 buildings, their cost will be \$85,000 it is not a freebie for the owners, and it is a contribution and an investment and a partnership in the downtown. Attorney Wilhelm commented there may be a legal requirement for Council to approve the policy. He stated the next step will be if the budget allocation proves the allocation of the money to this program and earmarking the funds for this program. There might be some mechanics we need to look over to see where the leftover funds will fall back to the DDA or to the City. Some details will need to be worked out an intergovernmental agreement. Councilmember Kurtzweil asked if we could just fund the money through the DDA upon request, the money will stay in the City, the DDA can send an application they have approved and if the funds are available we can fund it. City Manager Ladner stated if we make transfers of any sort to the DDA we have to keep them as separate funds. Attorney Wilhelm stated it is the allocation that Council is

approving of the funding, then the disbursements will go out. We can work through the mechanics if we have to fund it upfront, or if we can fund it as needed. Councilmember Kivell stated if the money isn't used he would like it returned to the General Fund, plus the idea of only paying out the money after the conclusion and approval of the project, it could possibly be paid out at the next fiscal year. Attorney Wilhelm stated the issue of the funds going back to the City can be handled with the intergovernmental agreement. Councilmember Kivell asked if there is a timeline on the completion process. Mr. Donohue stated 12 months is the timeline for completion. Councilmember Kivell stated he doesn't think the process should take place until the conditions are met, then when they do, we could transfer the money to the DDA. He stated this is taxpayer money and we don't incentivize anyone else in the City to take care of their property in this fashion, and as much as he appreciates and love our historic downtown, he still has a problem with using taxpayer money from the residents and assigning them to the property owners of specific properties in the small footprint of downtown. He further stated the idea they would make the gesture for their own benefit and in pride of their own property to make their own investment than just someone that lives in the community paying for it. He stated the money shouldn't be transferred to the DDA until everything is completed. Mayor Galeas stated we haven't had the best record up until recently, and we have to spend a little money to get some in return. He further stated we are in competition with other communities for businesses, and we need to make a commitment to show we are serious too. Councilmember Parisien asked how the DDA feels about this program. Mr. Donohue stated they are in favor of it, and they hope they can fund the grants on their own in the future. He further stated they discussed turn any leftover money back to the City each year. Mr. Donohue stated the DDA Board is comfortable with the amount of \$42,500. Councilmember Kramer asked if we have to act on the allocation of the funds tonight, or do we have some time. Mr. Donohue stated we have some time. Attorney Wilhelm stated the Charter requires a budget by the last weekend in May. He stated it is recognized in the draft that the City will fund it this year, and in the future, it will be funded by the DDA. Councilmember Kivell asked if we can approve the concept now, then the budget will determine for what level it will be funded. He further stated irrespective of what the guidelines are, it will be driven by how much we allocate to that line item. Councilmember Wedell stated we can finish the policy then we can allocate the funds after the budget. Attorney Wilhelm stated he wants to make clear that the draft policy reflects a two-year limitation on changes or alterations to the building façade without Council approval. Mr. Donohue stated the DDA requested 5 years. Mr. Donohue stated they can't alter anything that is in line with the historical standards. Councilmember Kivell asked why would we ask them to wait 5 years for them to not make more alterations. Mr. Donohue stated you can't alter anything that was brought into compliance. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated we need to stay in the 5-year period because we don't have a consistent look in the downtown area, and with the 5-year period, people need to realize there will be a design committee that will oversee the projects. There will be a tendency by the design committee that is hopefully have good skills in architecture will be picking designs that are in line with the historic design of our City. She further stated we don't want to deal with a new look every 2 or 3 years because it will confuse our consumer. Part of this façade grant is to stabilize the look of the area, to begin attracting a brand for how our downtown is and not having a lot changes in the facades facilitates stability and consumer confidence in the downtown look. Mayor Galeas stated his son and daughter are living in Ohio and they are trying to move to a small town in Kentucky, and there is a lot of tension there right now because people are wanting to come into the area and change things, and the town is trying to keep their downtown look. He stated they are trying to keep things within their guidelines. Councilmember Kivell stated this is supposed to move this toward the buildings original design application. He further stated if you do the windows, you wouldn't turn around and change them to a different period of history. He stated the intent of this grant is to keep the integrity of our downtown. Mr. Donohue stated this is incentivizing preservation instead of a hard and fast order. Councilmember Kramer asked if we can

approve the guidelines subject to the suggestions made tonight, and a 5- year no change in façade agreement and then when the grant is applied for the construction must be done within a 12-month period.

CM 4-4-17 MOTION TO APPROVE FACE GRANT GUIDELINES WITH REQUESTED CHANGES

Motion by Kramer, supported by Parisien

Motion to approve the façade guidelines presented with the understanding the blanks will be filled in with the 5-year and the project will be completed within 12 months.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

NEW BUSINESS

1. Consider approval of Blues, Brews and Brats Festival and location

City Manager Ladner stated she recently found out Andrea from the Chamber wouldn't be able to attend tonight. She stated she has spoken with Chief Collins, and Attorney Wilhelm and the full application has not been completely approved. Chief Kennedy has approved it, but Chief Collins has not approved it yet. She stated Blues, Brews and Brats is at the point that they need the City to confirm the use of public property on the date in August so they can contract with the vendors they use. She further stated we are comfortable with the agreement if Council approves the date with the contingency that the signed application is given to Chief Collins for final approval. Chief Collins stated he wants to ensure we get a valid certificate of insurance prior to the vent according to City policy. Councilmember Kivell stated we should have a new copy of a certificate of insurance, because the current one expires on May 1st. City Manager Ladner stated the event is in August and they have to contract before that. She spoke with the MMRMA and they suggested we have Council approves it with a rider requiring the insurance 30 days before the event with the approval being revocable if that doesn't happen.

CM 4-5-17 MOTION TO APROVE BREWS, BLUES AND BRATS EVENT WITH CONTINGENCIES

Motion by Kramer, supported by Kivell

Motion to approve the request of use of public property for the Brews, Blues and Brats event with the contingency of completed and signed application for Police Department approval and a copy of a valid certificate of insurance 30 days prior to event

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Presentation by the Cultural Arts Commission

Josie Kearns of the Cultural Arts Commission stated she is here to let Council know what they are doing. She stated the continuing of the A&E One Show will be going on with the High School, and we had a t-shirt contest and Bridgette Donohue won, and it is a great design and we will have the student's names on the t-shirts. She stated the opening night is May 3rd from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and will go on thru May 1st to the 30th. Ms. Kearns stated they are having a Poetry series at Third Monk Brewery this Friday from 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. and there will be information for the art show that is in June available that day as well. Ms. Kearns stated the Commission has decided to have another Quilt and Fiber Art show again in November as well. She stated they will be helping Bob Martin with promoting the Summer Concert in the Parks. She stated they are going to have an Arts Festival on July 26th from 3:00 to 9:30 p.m. on the lawn of the Presbyterian Church. She further stated we will be the Car and Art show will be on Wednesday April 26th at 6:30 p.m. with the Lake Street Cruise-In. Ms. Kearns stated they are receiving a

grant and just waiting on the check. She stated we will be buying the digital recording equipment. She stated Sean Decker is an internationally known artist and he will be here as well as Dr. Larry Goldstein will be on the 30th of June for a poetry reading. Mr. Goldstein will also be here to speak with the students about publishing. Ms. Kearns stated someone donated 20 pictures of American artists and they are laminated and could be mounted on buildings. She stated the art collection is called Picturing America. She stated it was donated. She further stated some of the images are iconic. She stated the person that donated the collection wanted to remain anonymous. Ms. Kearns stated we are working with the Senior Art Show and Sass in the Fall. She stated she appreciates Ken Mihalics work as always. She stated we need more volunteers so she is extending a challenge to the Councilmembers to each find two people that may be interested in volunteering for our events. Councilmember Parisien asked how are they collecting art for the Art and Car show, and are there any specifics that people should know. Ms. Kearns stated Linda Robinson is working hard on that, but there are no specifics, it could be art, drawings, jewelry. She stated the call for entry will go out the beginning of May. Councilmember Parisien stated she wanted to thank the anonymous donor for the collection donation. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated this was a donation to the City, therefore Council may need to make a motion to accept the donation. She further stated she is very impressed with the commission and their leadership. She stated they have taken this commission and you have made partnerships with businesses in the City. She further stated the community is hurting for these kinds of partnerships and she wants to thank Linda Robinson and Josie Kearns. Ms. Kearns stated they already have an artist that will show their work at the substantial art show and they have someone that collects their work. Councilmember Kivell asked if they are reaching out to any students for the arts and cars shows. Ms. Robinson stated we are looking nationally and the automotive fine arts use to have 30 people in it. She stated we only have 2, but we are looking.

3. Consider approval of street acceptance resolution

City Manager Ladner stated we submitted our ACT 51 maps to the state and they reviewed everything we submitted but they said the way we brought in the streets of Glen Meadows does not meet the state requirements. She further stated we need a resolution passed with specific language. The MDT form 2008B was submitted with the map, but the resolution needs to state that the streets are located in the City right of way and under control of the City of South Lyon and they are public streets and for public street purposes and they have been accepted by the City of South Lyon for public streets and, and were open to the public on the date Council accepted them.

CM 4-6-17 MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION OF STREET ACCEPTANCE

Motion by Kramer, supported by Kivell

Motion to approve resolution of street acceptance

At a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of South Lyon, Michigan, held at the City Hall on April 24, 2017.

The following resolution was offered by member Kramer, supported by Kivell

Whereas the City of South Lyon has acquired the title to certain streets. And whereas it is necessary to furnish certain information to the state of Michigan to place these streets within the City Street system for the purpose of obtaining funds under Act 51, P.A. 1951 as amended.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS RESOLVED:

1. Attached is a copy of MDT form 2008B showing revised measurement and /or deletion of certain streets.
2. That said streets are located within a City right-of-way and are under the control of the City of South Lyon
3. That said streets are public streets and are for public street purposes.

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4. The said streets have been accepted into the City Local Street System and were open to the public on September 27, 2016.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Consider approval of new three-year contract with Peoples Express for public transportation

City Manager Ladner stated the City's contract expires in June and we normally sign a 3-year contract. She stated the first-year increase is 2% for the first year, 4% for year two, and 6% for year 3. She further stated the increase is for modernize and improve the service. She stated there is a change in the contract from the last one that simplifies the language of the fees. One way each way within the City for \$2.00 and trips that go outside of the City to Providence Park, there will be no more than \$4.00 round trip fare. The fees for leaving the City of South Lyon to Brighton, Novi, Northville and other area's there will be a \$2.50 per mile fee and seniors and people with disabilities ride for half fair which is \$1.25 per mile. Councilmember Kramer asked if we can include the old information along with the new contract as well in the future. Councilmember Kramer asked why we are looking at another 12% increase again. Doug Anderson of Peoples Express stated there is a lot of money from government we supplement and the transportation funds will be cut significantly. He stated we are a non-profit and we have a really good contract, but to keep what we are doing will cost more money because we won't be getting as much from the State. He further stated they also contract with Lyon Township, Novi, Wixom and Milford. Councilmember Kramer asked if they will be asked for a 12% increase as well. Mr. Anderson stated yes, they are. He stated it costs money for the maintenance, as well as the wages we pay the drivers. He stated we are charging \$36.00 an hour for the gas, maintenances, wages and insurance. Councilmember Kramer asked if the usage is going up. Mr. Anderson stated South Lyon is very busy and we are in the City every day. Councilmember Kramer asked if the cost increase will be a trend in the future, and we will be paying over \$82,000 and if it continues we will be looking at another 12% during the next contract. Mr. Anderson stated he doesn't think the State can cut any more than they currently are. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated the increase in year one is 2% inflation, but the 4% and 6% is well above the cost of inflation. She further asked if they have done anything to control costs of this contract. Mr. Anderson stated it seems the residents likes to use it as a cab and not a bus. He stated people are very unhappy when they can't have the exact times they want, but if we can't we tell them when we can get them there. He further stated they are now purchasing gas with the schools, because they get a better price, and we are trying to put a program together for refurbished vehicles. We are doing what we can to keep costs down. Councilmember Kurtzweil asked what year their fleet is. Mr. Anderson stated their fleet is currently 2014. She asked if the cost increase can be brought down to 10% instead of the 12% increase. She stated maybe we could do 10.5%. Councilmember Kramer stated we had a 10% increase during the last contract. Mr. Anderson stated he could live with that. Councilmember Parisien stated she has never heard of that. She asked where they advertise. City Manager Ladner stated on it is on the website, the senior center and in the senior's newsletters. Councilmember Parisien asked if we looked at any other contracts such as Lift and Uber. City Manager Ladner stated there are none close to the City. Councilmember Parisien asked if this is particularly for seniors. Mr. Anderson stated it is not just for the seniors. Councilmember Kurtzweil asked if this had to be renewed tonight, she is thinking could it be possible to move this contract to a 5-year contract and keep the return within the 2.5% or 3% increase. What that does for Peoples Express is provides them with a 5-year stream of income and for the City it locks in a favorable rate for 5 years. Councilmember Kivell stated you had said this was predicated by the state's transportation cuts, and why isn't this based on us making you whole by what the State is

cutting and where do we find those numbers. Mr. Anderson stated he is basing this off what he has been told by the State. We were told we will not even get 10% of their whole budget. He stated he will provide Council with the numbers if they would like. She stated this contract locks it in for the City for 5-years and she will be here 5-years from now. Carl Richards stated there are probably 200 people that depend on this service and sometimes he does as well. He stated those of us on a fixed income below the poverty line, the cost to go to Brighton is out of our budget. He further stated if there was a way for seniors to build up points that would help them travel to the outside communities for less money would be helpful. He stated he has spoken with them at least once a year about renting one of their busses for historic tours in the City. Judy Keeling 62180 Arlington Circle stated their busses are handicapped approved and that is why we can't use Uber or some other companies. Councilmember Kurtzweil thanked them for all they do for the community.

5. Consider approval of Lake Street Cruise In

Debbie Cook stated she is a member of the committee for the Lake Street Cruise In and she and her husband are here seeking approval for the 2017 Lake Street Cruise In. She stated they have all of their paperwork and insurance certificates that are necessary. Mr. Cook stated it has grown and this is the 6th year and it is growing leaps and bounds. It has taken on a life of its own. Councilmember Kivell stated he looks forward to this every month. Mr. Cook stated we have a meet and greet this Wednesday as the kick off for the event and he invites everyone to attend. He stated they currently have 26 sponsors. Mayor Galeas asked Chief Collins if he is happy with the street closures. Chief Collins stated they have supplied all the required forms, supplied the insurance forms and have been very cooperative.

CM 4-7-17 MOTION TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE LAKE STREET CRUISE IN EVENT

Motion by Kramer, supported by Wedell

Motion to approve the resolution for the requested road closures for May 24, June 28, July 26, August 23, and September 27, 2017 between 6:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. for the Lake Street Cruise In

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Consider documents related to City Manager performance review for October 2017

City Manager Ladner stated she met with Councilmember Kurtzweil and Councilmember Parisien regarding her performance goals. She stated she has made a list of what she considers her performance goals along with a list of goals from Council. She stated we went through the goals and went through a format that she found that meet all the standards and requirements for what we are looking for. She stated based on further conversations with Councilmember Kurtzweil she has given Council a revised list of performance goals. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she had a great conversation with Lynne and it was extremely productive and a good meeting. We discussed goal setting and vision. She wanted to thank Lynne for bringing the City of Aspen information because it is a good review and a good evaluation form to start the process and to modernize the process of how you evaluate the senior management in the City. She further stated Council was asked to submit goals they liked, and she then looked at them and met with Lynne. She stated she then went through the goals and decided if this was a goal for Lynne or a goal for someone else, such as fixing sidewalks, that is a budget issue. Another goal is a conservative approach to general fund, and that is a policy goal of Council not the City Manager. She wants to encourage Councilmembers that if their goals didn't make it on the list to try again. She further stated submit again in the next week or so, or look at the revised goal list, which is a good list. It addresses the

various areas you would want to assess your manager. She stated she then reworded some of the goals because you don't want subjective stuff in there, it isn't fair to her. We need to work off of subjective things. She further stated the goals were organized to fit the form she has suggested. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated this is probably going to be the format, stay with organizational management, finance, customer service, and city improvement goals. She stated the goal setting reflects the vision session we had a year ago, and that is important. Clearly a new category is being added called finance. She further stated she included some goals Lynne has already done, it isn't fair for her to only have half a year to work on a goal list, she needs to get credit for the things she has already done and accomplished.

Councilmember Parisien stated she met with Lynne, and a lot of the goals overlapped. She stated there were some goals that were mentioned such as attorney fees decreased, but with no suggestions on how to do that. She stated it seems we are all on the same page such as grants, and volunteer park and budget issues, but some goals are personal and they do need to be addressed and that is why the discussion is open. She further stated she thought their discussion was fantastic, but she is disappointed they didn't meet as a committee.

Councilmember Kivell stated he was disappointed because the objective was for the City Manager and the two Councilmembers to meet and try to form some consensus based on what was provided by everyone on Council, and it seems vying for one against the other, and that is typical but it isn't what we asked them to do. Councilmember Parisien stated she was disappointed that they didn't meet as a committee as well, she sent her information to Lynne for dates and times, but she wasn't expecting it to be one on one although she has no problem with it.

Councilmember Kramer stated one of his goals that isn't included on the list is the budget. We met last week on the budget and he wasn't happy with it. He wants the City Manager to focus on the budget. He further stated we hired Bob Donohue which is a good investment, but he wants to see a budget of what was spent the last few years because we have spent a lot of money, and he wants to see an aggressive stance on the budget, and a more conservative approach. He further stated that there was discussion at the last meeting regarding having a 2 mill increase, and before he votes for that, he wants to make sure it is a budget with services we need and not a wish list. He stated he still wants this included with the City Managers goals.

Councilmember Wedell stated his goal was a balanced budget. He stated we may need to add a contingency line item for broken vehicles and equipment that can't be foreseen. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated that isn't a goal of Lynne's. She stated to add a line item for a contingency during the budget meeting. That is a policy action of Council, how is that a goal of Lynne's. Councilmember Wedell stated he added that as a suggestion that would assist with a balanced budget, but it doesn't have to be a big deal. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated that is a goal of Council not of the City Manager. Councilmember Kivell stated it is a goal for the City Manager. He stated Council establishes policy, the application of finding the answers of how we accomplish the policies is the duty of the City Manager. He further stated we establish what we want, and she determines the path on how we get there. Councilmember Kramer stated what bothers him is they send the City Manager what goals we want to see, then Councilmember Kurtzweil changes them and removes some of them. Councilmember Kramer stated you are telling me you don't want it on there because it is your interpretation is it is more of a goal of Council and not the City Managers. He stated he is now being told to resubmit something. He stated he is offended that Maggie is making the decisions for all of Council. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated some of the goals were presented were not goals for Lynne, they were goals for City Council. She further

stated she was honest and she stated some were included and some were not. She stated an isolation had to be done to make sure the goal that is on there is specific to Lynne and not contingent on what Council does when evaluating her performance. She stated if you want her to have a more conservative approach to the budget, she has only asked for amendments, Council is the one approving the amendments. She stated it is a Council decision and that is why it was not included as a goal, but as a discussion as a budget. Councilmember Kramer stated his point is the budget meeting he doesn't think a lot of time and effort was put into the expenditures to justify a 2 mill increase to the City. He stated it is not about budget amendments it is about looking at the budget hard and fast as to why we need a 2 mill increase, and he wants to make sure we have gone through the budget with a fine-tooth comb, and he is talking about presenting a budget to us and to be able to justify why a 2-mill increase is necessary. He stated he wants to know why a 2-mill increase is necessary. Mayor Galeas stated he likes the form, but he agrees that the budget is everything and we definitely need to have some kind of consensus between Council and the City Manager but the budget needs to be included. Councilmember Kurtzweil asked Council to send any goals to Lynne. Mayor Galeas stated he requests that the 3 of them meet. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she will not meet with Mary. Councilmember Parisien stated she will step back if Maggie will not work with her and someone else can step in. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated no that's ok Mary, you can bribe somebody else. She further stated our City is City Manager based government, so a lot of what we expect is focusing on the budget and communicating with Department Heads. The budget is important to council and it should be a priority to the City Manager.

7. Consider approval of budget amendments

City Manager Ladner discussed the budget amendments as follows:

Amend Revenues to:

101-000.000-642 Police	\$ 50,000 from \$40,000
101-000.000-698.100 Fire Misc	\$ 1,705 for grant monies
101-000.000.698.800 Grant Monies (Police)	\$ 7,363 for grant monies
101-000.000-698.900 Grant Monies (Cultural Arts)	\$ 320 for revenues

Amend Expenditures to:

101-200.000-801 Professional Service	\$151,000 from \$101,000
101-200.000-802 Contractual Services	\$ 96,760 from \$91,760
101-200.000-826 Legal Prof. Svs	\$140,000 from \$90,000
101-200.000-900.100 Publishing	\$ 14,500 from \$6,000
101-300.000-977 Equipment	\$ 14,625 from \$9,235
101-335.000-863 Vehicle Maintenance	\$ 27,000 due to equipment maintenance
101-335.000-931 Building Maintenance	\$ 18,000 from \$14,000
101-335.000-978 Capital Equipment	\$ 16,532 for water tower repeater

Councilmember Kurtzweil stated we have an amendment of revenue of \$59,000 coming in as revenue and expenditures of \$477,000. She stated the expenditures are exceeding the revenue and she wants to know where the money is coming from. She stated the budget is a mess and it didn't get there overnight, it didn't happen with the last City Manager, it has been going on for the last 8-15 years. She has analyzed this for over a year, this is a policy issue. To ask the City Manager to make cuts, that is a policy decision. Councilmember Kramer asked her to speak with the Department Heads to decide what is a wish list versus a need list. City Manager Ladner stated she has met with everyone. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated the general fund has been draining for years. Councilmember Wedell stated even during the recession we had an increase in fund balance, it has only been the last 3 years that it has been losing money. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she did the research last year and found out we weren't even servicing the debt bond, where was that coming from. She stated we had the taxing authority to transfer

the fund. Councilmember Kivell asked how long it will take to make all the changes in the spreadsheet. City Manager Ladner stated she will have them done tomorrow.

CM 4-8-17 MOTION TO APPROVE BUDGET AMENDMENTS

Motion by Wedell, supported by Kivell

Motion to approve the budget amendments as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Discussion- Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act

Councilmember Kurtzweil stated there is a difference of opinion as to who has the budgeting authority act and she spoke with some industry leaders and read through the uniform budgeting and accounting act. The particular statute she was interested in is 141.439 It states no one has authority to authorize or participate in the expenditures fund except as authorized by a general appropriation act and expenditures may not be incurred except by the authority of the body of the local unit. The budget is not a one-sided process. Only Council can raise the mill rates, which is what they didn't do last year, and they didn't raise water and sewer rates. She stated the City Manager can recommend anything, but if Council doesn't want to make the cuts as needed or raise the taxes, the budget will reflect Council's decisions. The ultimate responsibility is City Council. She stated we have to look at every cost, every revenue and we can't assume anything. She stated she doesn't believe council understands the tremendous role they play in the budget in the next few years. She further stated she told everyone last year the general fund was going down. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated then when the general fund went down to 1.4 million and it doesn't not cover one year of wages for the Police Department. She further stated you can't blame the City Manager, Council needs to blame themselves. She stated you can kick the can down the road, but we are at a dead-end tonight. We have unfunded MERS liability approaching over 5 million dollars. She spoke with a specialist today, and she doesn't know if she has the confidence to move forward with trying to fix this. We may need to bring in a specialist. She stated we don't have a tax roll back, and the business cycle is what it is, you better hope we don't have a serious downturn in the next few years because we don't have the budget to make it. She stated the City Manager doesn't set the tax rate, and she doesn't approve overtime.

DISCUSSION- Downtown

Mr. Donohue stated there are 3 businesses having a garden party, Lemmon Tree, Tracy Hill and Coral Sash on Saturday from 10-5:00 p.m. Mr. Donohue stated the car shows are tremendous events to recruit more new business. Mr. Donohue stated we need to define recognized historic buildings so if the funds for the façade grants are based on historical buildings, what are the historic buildings.

Mr. Donohue stated the Sushi Bar and the Mediterranean restaurant both still need to submit paperwork to the City before they can open. Mr. Donohue stated we have a media event happening downtown on May 23rd for ribbon cuttings between 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. for new businesses. We have 10 new businesses and it is very exciting. Local and state officials are invited. Councilmember Kivell stated 10 new businesses is just stellar. Mr. Donohue stated we are looking at 4 more businesses before the end of the summer. He stated we have top quality restaurants that want to be here, but we don't currently have empty buildings for them. It is an exciting time. Councilmember Parisien asked about the Farmers Market. Mr. Donohue stated it is opening an hour earlier which is 8:00 a.m. and it will run for 25 weeks, it opens on May 13th. He further stated Jeff Root is the new Market Manager and we are already exceeding the vendors and food vendors. Councilmember Parisien asked when the movies in the park

will begin. Department Head Martin stated he will find out and let him know, normally June. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she will be meeting with a developer within the next month, and they will contact him to meet. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated Mr. Donohue is doing a good job.

MANAGERS REPORT

City Manager Ladner stated she is hoping to have the updated budgets to Council on Wednesday. She stated that Wednesday is also the last day to register for the map of garage sales as well as a listing. She stated we have had many people outside of the City that have a South Lyon address and unfortunately, they will not be able to assist with addresses located in Salem or Green Oak Township. She stated the City-Wide Garage Sales is May 4th-7th. City Manager Ladner stated Monday May 1st is the paint the town purple day, which means the Relay for Life is coming soon. She stated the City Wide Clean up and beautification will be on May 13th and everyone is welcome to participate. City Manager Ladner stated we need to choose a date for the next Budget workshop. The consensus of Council was to have the Budget Workshop on Wednesday May 10th at 6:30 p.m.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she wanted to suggest that Mary call the State Bar to recheck her facts. At the last meeting, you said she passed her character and fitness test and that she passed with a 97. She further stated she doesn't believe the character and fitness test is a numerical grade, and she believes Mary may have misled the public. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated to date, she is unaware and Council is unaware that there are no facts that have been presented that any public speaker whether it John Hogan, or Marilyn from the resale shop or Ryan that they have ever been paid to do so. She doesn't think anymore of the public needs to be paid to come out and speak their minds to Council. She stated to assume that people are paid by members of Council is offensive. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated all types of all individuals speak at the meetings, and some are disabled. She stated these individuals deserve our respect and patience and applaud them for wanting to participate in our democracy. She stated when Councilmember Mary asked a disabled person how much he was paid for speaking was degrading, she further stated she heard it from many people. Her comment implied that a disabled person is not capable of thinking and not capable of organizing their thoughts unless they were scripted and paid to perform. She stated as if a disabled person needed a monetary reason to speak their mind or conscience, as if they needed money to participate in government rather than a desire to participate because that person may have something to say. Councilmember Kurtzweil further stated Mary should leave the disabled out of her politics and commend this person and other disabled persons that are making extremely personal efforts to attend these meetings that takes courage that we may not have to worry about. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she wants to thank Chief Collins and his Police Officers for mentoring this person. She stated maybe Mary has a blessed life, but that is not a life she would want to have. The blessed life she thinks we should be leading is that of Chief Collins and his staff, that help this person understand life and participate in democracy. Chief and his staff clearly understand human compassion and the empathy for those that step into life that needs a little help. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated for those of you that are disabled, she invites you to the meeting and to speak at the meeting. She stated she will defend you and your right to do so without intimidation and ridicule or accusation that your comments were from monetary gain instead of a sincere desire to communicate with elected officials. She further stated she will not work with Mary on any committee because she doesn't like her opinion, attitude or your treatment of the disabled. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated to quote Mary from the last meeting, "let's

not get bogged down with these personal agendas, let's move on and focus on the City and do our job as elective officials and do our job. Enough is enough." She stated Mary should take her own advice. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated the Lake Street Tavern will have an unveiling of the poster for the Arts and Cars program and the artist will be there. Word has it the designer of this poster is also the winner in an auto car poster and the poster is in a museum. We have an award-winning artist. She stated she will be there. She stated the Cultural Arts Commission is doing a great job. She stated the Four Seasons Garden Club will be hosting the widely popular plant exchange on May 6th at the Witches Hat Depot on Dorothy Street. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she wanted to thank Lori Mosier for correcting the revenue statement. She stated she found an error in the sidewalk portion and she is sure it took her time to do that. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she wanted to remind Henimen that if you put up a flag, there needs to be a light on it during the night and she will drop off a copy of flag etiquette.

Councilmember Kramer stated he wants to remind everyone of the Maddie Doty Field dedication on Sunday at 4:00 p.m. and everyone is invited.

Councilmember Parisien stated she wants to say thank you to all the volunteers and everyone that came out for the Easter Egg hunt and everyone comes so early and they work so hard. It was a magical event for the kids. She further stated the Maddie Doty Field is on her list as well please come out and wear yellow to show support. Councilmember Parisien stated there are a lot of fantastic events to focus on such as the Garden party, the Farmers Market and the garage sales. We should focus on the positives.

Councilmember Kivell stated he looks forward to us having a meeting where it isn't just a contentious finger pointing and endless digging and self-promotion. He stated he has been doing this for a very long time and it has never been this toxic. He further stated it is clear someone was hurt when they were young and is taking it out on everyone else. He stated we have a wonderful community here and all the businesses that have come here and trying to come here, we have great opportunities and we need to focus more on the positive end of this and stop trying to find every chink in the armor of every little misgiving since Maggie came on board. Try to keep an open mind that this won't go on forever and we are still going in the right direction even though it might be a bumpy road.

Mayor Galeas stated contrary to the side show activity that has been happening for a while now, a lot is getting done. I won't apologize for Council members anymore because I get criticized for that as well. He stated things are moving in the right direction and things are getting done correctly. Bob Donohue has been a great asset. He further stated we never really had a full downtown and right now we have people wanting to get in the City and we don't have a space for them. Things are changing quickly. He further stated his hope was always that this Council could work together, but that hope is dwindling for obvious reasons. Mayor Galeas stated he hopes everyone shows up Sunday for the field dedication, that family went through a lot and this is a way for her name to stay in everyone's minds.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Kramer, supported by Parisien

Motion to adjourn meeting at 10:15 p.m.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor Galeas

Judy Pieper, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer