

City of South Lyon
Regular City Council Meeting
November 12, 2018

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

Mayor Pelchat stated Councilmember Walton and Attorney Wilhelm will be arriving late.
Mayor Pelchat stated Councilmember Parisien will not be attending the meeting tonight.

Present: Mayor Pelchat, Councilmembers Kivell, Kurtzweil, Kennedy, and Richards
Also present: City Manager Zelenak, Chief Collins and Clerk Deaton

CM 11-1-18 MOTION TO EXCUSE ABSENCE

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Kivell
Motion to approve Councilmember Parisien's absence

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTES

Councilmember Kurtzweil stated on page 2, the date of 2006 should be changed to 2016.
Councilmember Kivell stated on page 9, 3rd sentence, the word me should be changed to may.
Councilmember Kennedy stated on page 11, the word I should be added to the sentence half way down the page during his Council Comments.

CM 11-2-18 MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

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

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BILLS

Councilmember Kurtzweil stated her husband is listed on the check registry for reimbursement therefore she will not be voting on the bills. Councilmember Kivell stated he will not be voting because Michigan Caterpillar did some work on the trucks, and his wife works for them.

CM 11-3-18 MOTION TO MOVE BILLS AND ATTORNEY BILLS TO BE DISCUSSED AFTER COUNCILMEMBER WALTON ARRIVES

Motion by Kivell, supported by Kennedy
Motion to move bills and attorney bills until another Councilmember arrives

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ATTORNEY BILLS- Moved to later in Agenda

AGENDA

CM 11-4-18 MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA

Motion to approve Kurtzweil, supported by Kennedy
Motion to approve the agenda as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT

Larry Ledbetter stated he is here representing the Historical Commission. He then thanked the Mayor and Council for supporting the jewel of South Lyon, the Historical Society and the Village. He stated the parking lot is used extensively for many events including the Depot, baseball games and weddings. He stated we have 3 major problems with the parking lot, and he spoke with Pat Moll for an estimate of about \$2,000, but we are hoping to have the whole parking lot, not just have the sinkholes fixed. He stated Dorothy street has deteriorated significantly and both drive-way areas are broken up. He is hoping we can allocate some money in the future for the repairs.

Mr. Ledbetter stated they will be having The Village Strings Dulcimers on November 25 at 4:00 and 6:30, and tickets will go fast.

Mr. Ledbetter stated Depot Day was very successful and Cool Yule and the kids love it. Their objective is to maintain the facility and make it available to the community. He stated The Catholic Church and the Methodist Church have done painting, trimming bushes and trees, and we have our gardening crew, which keeps the place up really good.

John Galeas of 134 N Warren stated he wanted to come and welcome the new City Manager. Mr. Galeas stated he is happy to see the road cones in the crosswalks downtown. Lately he has noticed people are missing the one by the Hotel, the cars going northbound are blowing through the crosswalk. He just happened to notice people getting frustrated trying to cross there.

Jerry Stowe of 2601 Kentucky Court in Lyon township. He is married to the owner of Grande Trunk and he is here to discuss the treatment of local business owners downtown. He further stated Grande Trunk has been in business in town for 10 years. The business moved into the building on the corner of Lafayette and Lake Street and was renovated to an earlier authentic look. He stated people were lined up down the street for the grand opening. He stated he spoke with Councilmember Kivell during the grand opening, and he spoke to him proudly of the renovations. He assumes when Mr. Kivell left, he went to the City offices to see if the necessary code enforcements were in place. He is not going to defend the actions or inactions as they happened, ultimately it falls on the responsibility of the business owner. Mr. Stowe stated it didn't take long for his wife to receive court papers drawn up by the City Attorney and the often-absent City Manager, taking one of the few successful business owners to court. Mr. Stowe stated when the building went from business use to retail use the ADA rules now apply. What is not ok is the confusion of who holds authority over the ADA compliance, the City or the State. His wife traveled to Lansing multiple times and on one occasion they questioned why the City was going after this particular business when the City itself may not be compliant. He further stated at one point, the committee asked the City Manager and the Building Inspector to come to Lansing to answer their questions. Mr. Stowe stated his wife's dad has MS and has been in a wheelchair for 15 years and for the City suggested his wife was trying to avoid being ADA compliant is ridiculous. He then stated the court case was ultimately dismissed after getting fully compliant, but not before the building department moved up the court date. He further stated this shows a lack of business-friendly government. Ken Pike and Dennis Smith treated his wife with little to no respect. He then stated Mr. Kivell meddles with everything, even almost causing the City to lose Pumpkinfest. He further stated the businesses in this community strongly support the teens and groups and it will be a shame if the businesses leave or don't come at all because of the onerous city stances and ongoing desire to introduce additional regulations. He further stated only one Councilmember contacted his wife to see what she thought of the City Manager interviews, what a concept to reach out and see what the business owners think of the City Manager candidates and that is working together for a common goal of a successful downtown.

PRESENTATION- Net asset checks by MMRMA

Tim McClorey of the MMRMA stated he is here with good news. The City is a member of the Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority. MMRMA is not an insurance company. He stated they are a group of governmental entities that pull together for insurance purposes. He stated MMRMA gives money back to their members when there is money to be had. He further stated they do that as grants and an asset distribution program which is why he is here today. He explained MMRMA collects a fair contribution and due to less than expected loss trends and risk management practices such as the City taking advantage of risk avoidance programs all leads to the asset checks they are now giving back to the members. He further stated MMRMA has distributed 29 million dollars this year alone. He further stated he has two checks for the City, one for \$51,661.00 and another check for \$14,531.00

Attorney Wilhelm arrived at 7:46 p.m.

Councilmember Walton arrived at 7:46 p.m.

Mr. McClorey then thanked Council for their business and their membership. He stated they have plenty of grant opportunities, and he encourages all the department heads to look at the website for matching grant funding. Councilmember Kivell thanked him and he stated we had MML coverage at one time, and MMRMA has been much better for the City.

DISCUSSION- Downtown

Robert Donohue stated he has a comment on Grande Trunk, he thinks the DDA has changed their culture and they are business friendly and he accompanied Susan Stowe to Lansing and spoke on her behalf. Mr. Donohue stated he has provided Council with the annual report and a few items he wants to bring up. It was just one year ago the South Lyon Hotel was completed, that was an additional one million four hundred thousand and the totals for all new construction and building rehabs and sales were five million two hundred thousand. He further stated they created 67 jobs in the past year. This is a good benchmark to look back and move forward with our progress. He stated we will be celebrating the 2 building rehabs downtown Thursday at 9:00 a.m. and the South Lyon Marching Band will be there, Ladies Night is this Friday and we will be celebrating small business Saturday on November 24th. We are now putting up the red lights in the downtown and will be turned on around Cool Yule. He stated the holiday gift guide is completed and it is small, but it is a start.

BILLS

CM 11-5-18 MOTION TO APPROVE THE BILLS

Motion by Walton, supported by Kennedy

Motion to approve bills as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

ATTORNEY BILLS

CM 11-6-18 MOTION TO APPROVE THE ATTORNEY BILLS

Motion by Walton, supported by Richards

Motion to approve the attorney bills as amended

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

OLD BUSINESS

1. Second reading of Ordinance to prohibit Marihuana establishments in the City of South Lyon

Attorney Wilhelm stated this Ordinance will prohibit retail manufacturing in the City. There have been no changes since the first reading. He further stated this is largely a placeholder until we can evaluate if

this is a type of activity South Lyon wants. Councilmember Kivell stated his previous comments stand. He stated this hasn't been checked out as much as it needs to be without a lot of glitches taking place such as the Police Department having a way to determine someone's impairment when driving.

CM 11-7-18 MOTION TO APPROVE SECOND READING

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Kivell

Motion to approve second reading of ordinance to prohibit Marihuana establishments in the City of South Lyon

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. A. Second reading of Ordinance rezoning parcel 21-19-126-002 (Thomasville) from RM-1 (Multiple Family Residential) to PD (Planned Development)

Attorney Wilhelm stated this is changing the zoning from RM-1 to PD. He stated this is step 2 of the 4-step processes. He stated this will lock them into the site plan, then they will have to come back to Council. There have been no changes since the first reading. Councilmember Richards stated he thought it had to go back to Planning before Council addresses this. Attorney Wilhelm stated the first step is the planning commission makes a recommendation to Council, the rezoning takes 2 readings, if this is approved it will then go back to Planning Commission, then it will be brought back to City Council. Councilmember Kivell stated he has no objections to this being rezoned, his objection is to what the content of what the PD will be.

CM 11-8-18 MOTION TO APPROVE SECOND READING

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Kivell

Motion to approve the second reading of an ordinance to amend the official zoning map of the City of South Lyon incorporated into the South Lyon Zoning Ordinance by section 102-182 by rezoning the property (parcel #21-19-126-002) more fully described in the attached Exhibit A (the property) from the RM-1 district (multiple family residential) to the PD district (planned development) subject to the following conditions that are contained in the document dated November 12, 2018 as it is presented in front of us

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Kivell- Yes
Kennedy- Yes
Richards- No
Walton- Yes
Kurtzweil- abstain
Pelchat- Yes

- B. Consider approval of Thomasville Preliminary (Stage 1) Planned Development Site Plan

Councilmember Kivell stated we have given a lot of concessions to the developer. The Developer has suggested the planned development is a trade off between the communities and the developer's interest in trying to ensure we get a nice development and he is rewarded in making his commitment to the community. He stated we substantially gave him relief for a whole host of items, giving him relief to density, setbacks, lot area and things of that nature. They are proposing 50 homes, 27 do not comply with lot coverage. He stated he cannot support this development moving forward until the developer agrees that every lot will be compliant with building and impervious surface coverage.

Councilmember Richards stated this states that it reverts back to the previous zoning if they don't complete the development in 3 years. He stated this speaks to his sincerity, not one time has this gentleman come before Council and never asked Council what they would want to see on this property, whereas the developer would reasonably look at something he could make a reasonable profit on his investment. To allow this to go through will be a colossal mistake. He further stated it will be a more

cost factor for the City down the road. He stated the Lyon Township residents across the street will be impacted with their quality of life and property values. He stated some Colonial Acres residents are not happy about this. He further stated this is a quality of life issue.

Attorney Wilhelm stated this is the preliminary stage one and it is closely tied to the rezoning. The current and previous owner both originally had more of a dense plan. If this is approved and moved forward, step 3 will be final site plan and it will be reviewed by the Planning Commission. He stated they will be looking at the planned development agreement.

CM 11-9-18 MOTION TO POSTPONE

Motion by Kennedy, Walton

Motion to postpone to the next meeting when we will have a full board on November 26

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED- 1 OPPOSED

NEW BUSINESS

1. Resignation of Police Chief Lloyd Collins

Councilmember Kivell stated 21 years of solid performance, we have been very fortunate to have him serve our community for that long. He also helped out when we needed someone in the corner office. He is very grateful he helped out the City as long as he has.

Councilmember Kennedy stated we have been more than fortunate to have him as our Chief for so long, he then thanked him for his years of service and wished him the best.

Councilmember Richards stated he is happy he will be staying in the community, and everyone trusts him greatly. He thanked him.

Councilmember Walton thanked him for all his years of service to the City.

Councilmember Kurtzweil wished Chief Collins luck with his retirement.

Chief Collins then thanked Council for all their kind words. John Galeas of 134 N Warren stated he likes Chief Collins and he will truly be missed. He deserves his time and he want to say he will miss him and his wisdom.

Councilmember Kivell stated as a historic perspective, Lloyd made his department more of a professional Police Department. At one time, we didn't pay enough to keep people here, and he made it clear we needed to be become a more professional force. He further stated the good part is we have trained very proficient officers and he deserves all the credit.

Mayor Pelchat stated Chief Collins has been very helpful and he thanked him.

CM 11-10-18 MOTION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Walton

Motion to accept resignation of Chief Collins

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Resignation of Abe Ayoub from DDA Board effective 12/31/18

Councilmember Kurtzweil thanked Abe Ayoub for all the incredible things he has done for the City. She stated he is a good human being and she thanked him for giving the DDA Board time to find a replacement for him.

CM 11-11-18 MOTION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION

Motion by Kurtzweil, supported by Walton

Motion to accept resignation of Abe Ayoub from the DDA Board effective 12/31/18

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Resignation of Marsha Calus from DDA Board effective 12/31/18

CM 11-12-18 MOTION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION

Motion by Walton, supported by Kurtzweil

Motion to accept the resignation of Marsha Calus from the DDA Board effective 12/31/18

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Mr. Donohue stated he wanted to thank both Abe and Marsha for everything they have done for the downtown. He stated they helped changing the culture of the DDA. He further stated they have chaired wonderful events.

4. Resignation of Samantha White from the Housing Commission

CM 11-13-18 MOTION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION

Motion by Kurtzweil, supported by Walton

Motion to approve resignation of Samantha White from the Housing Commission

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Ladies Night Out event: Request for Street Closure of E Lake Street from Lafayette to Wells Street

Mr. Donohue stated they are asking to extend the hours until 10:00 p.m. He further stated they are also asking for E Lake to be closed between Lafayette and Wells from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

CM 11-14-18 MOTION TO APPROVE STREET CLOSURES

Motion by Walton, supported by Kurtzweil

Motion to approve the closure of E Lake Street from Lafayette and Wells Street from 6:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. on Friday, November 16, 2018 to accommodate activities related to Ladies Night Out.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Street Administrator

CM 11-15-18 MOTION TO APPOINT THE CITY MANAGER AS THE STREET ADMINISTRATOR

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Walton

Motion to appoint the Paul Zelenak, City Manager as the Street Administrator for the City of South Lyon

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

7. South Lyon United Women's Lacrosse Boosters Charitable Gaming License

CM 11-16-18 MOTION TO APPROVE CHARITABLE GAMING LICENSE

Motion by Kurtzweil, supported by Walton

Motion to approve resolution to recognize the South Lyon United Women's Lacrosse Boosters as a non-profit organization operating in the community for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

8. Consider approval by Kiwanis Club for the use of Historic Village/Depot Grounds for annual Christmas tree sale event

Phil Wiepert of 135 N Warren stated he is here on behalf of the Kiwanis Club to ask for use of the Historical Depot grounds for Christmas tree sales as in previous years. He stated he would like to start the setup on the Saturday instead of Monday, and he will have the insurance updated. He stated The Kiwanis supports the senior dinner and they sponsor Boy Scouts, Kids Against Hunger, Memorial Day parade, and the Memorial Day Parade. He further stated they issue 2 scholarships of \$1,000 each for South Lyon East and South Lyon High. Mr. Wiepert stated they also give new Dictionaries to all 3rd graders in the South Lyon school district. The appreciates the City for use of the park, the Christmas tree sales is their biggest fundraiser.

CM 11-17-18 MOTION TO APPROVE KIWANIS USE OF MCHATTE PARK

Motion by Kurtzweil, supported by Walton

Motion to approve the request by the Kiwanis to hold their annual Christmas tree sales beginning Saturday November 17th through the end of the year, pending updated insurance

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Consider CDBG application projects for Senior Center and Haven

CM 11-18-18 MOTION TO APPROVE THE USE OF CDBG FUNDS

Motion by Kivell, supported by Walton

Motion to approve the use of CDBG funds for the Senior Center and Haven

WHEREAS, Oakland County is preparing an Annual Action Plan to meet application requirements for the Community Block Grant (CDBG) program, and other Community Planning and Development (CPD) programs, and

WHEREAS, Oakland County has requested CDBG- eligible projects from participating communities for inclusion in the Action Plan, and

WHEREAS, the City of South Lyon has duly advertised and conducted a public hearing as follows:

Mayor Pelchat opened the public hearing at 7:36 p.m. on October 22, 2018

There were no public comments

Mayor Pelchat closed the public hearing at 7:37 p.m. on October 22, 2018 to receive public comments regarding the proposed use of PY2019 Community Development Block Grant funds (CDBG) in the approximate amount of \$37,836 and

WHEREAS, the City of South Lyon found that the following projects meet the federal objectives of the CDBG program and are prioritized by the community as high priority need.

The South Lyon Center for Active Adults for the amount of \$32,836

HAVEN for the amount of \$5,000

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of South Lyon CDBG application is hereby authorized to be submitted to the Oakland County for inclusion in Oakland County's Annual Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, and that the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute all documents, agreements, or contracts with result from this application to Oakland County.

Motion by Kivell, supported by Walton

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

10. Purchase of a 2020 DPW Salt/Plow Dump truck

Ron Brock of the Department of Public Works is asking to replace a truck with a broken frame. Councilmember Richards stated he is ok with them getting a new truck, but he disagrees with the transmission. He stated the City would be better served with a different brand. Mr. Brock stated that brand of transmission is in all of their trucks currently.

CM 11-19-18 MOTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Kivell

Motion to approve the purchase of a cab and chassis from Wolverine Freight Liner and equip it with attachments from Knapheide Truck Equipment for a total cost of \$167,582.00

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

11. UV System Refurbishment

Ron Beason of the South Lyon Water and Waste Water Department stated he is asking to purchase 2 UV Modules and 6 ballast, adding 1 AC Unit for the UV cabinet. We had a surprise inspection by the DEQ and they noticed the corrosion of the unit, although we are still compliant. He stated this is a budgeted item. He has 3 options, one is a whole new unit which is the most expensive. The second option is complete module replacement. He further stated he would like Council to approve the second option. Mr. Beason stated he recommends the complete unit. Councilmember Kurtzweil asked if we have a maintenance replacement program, 10 years seems like a long time for this. Mr. Beason stated they do have a maintenance system, and the wiring is submerged in wastewater so it corrodes and it is in a building with a lot of moisture. He further stated the new unit is a plug and play, and it is a budgeted item.

CM 11-20-18 MOTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Kivell

Motion to approve complete module replacement, add 1AC Unit and 6 ballast for a total cost of \$27,268.00

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

12. Replacing of existing vent piping for boilers

Mr. Beason stated this is a vent system for our boiler heat system. It heats certain areas of the building that are critical. He stated we have 3 bids and he is asking Council to accept the lowest bid. Councilmember Kennedy thanked Mr. Beason for including pictures with the packet.

CM 11-21-18 MOTION TO APPROVE LOW BID

Motion by Walton, supported by Kurtzweil

Motion to approve the Kropf Mechanical quote in the amount of \$5,685.00 and replacement of heat vent for \$2,531.00

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

13. Secondary effluent VFD (variable frequency drive)

Mr. Beason stated this is a VFD drive. We have 21 of these at the water plant and they were installed all at the same time and they are beginning to fail. They run various pumps of different sizes. This is the 5th one that has failed. He stated he is asking for approval to replace this with an upgraded VFD. They have downsized in the past few years. This is a smaller unit and it will be more reliable. Councilmember Kivell asked if he knows of any other communities that have used these. Mr. Beason stated they are moving towards using these.

CM 11-22-18 MOTION TO APPROVE THE LOW BID

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Walton

Motion to approve the low bid of \$7,107.00 from Heco for the upgraded VFD's

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUDGET

Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she wanted to bring attention to Council that she has been following regionally. The City of Brighton was not able to get a mill passed for the roads. She stated the City anticipates cuts, and raising additional revenue. They are dealing with some deficit issues and she thinks if South Lyon wants to pass a mill to fix the roads, it doesn't seem like the voters are interested in that. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated the City of Howell just recently lost a vote for the Headlee roll back.

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Zelenak reminded everyone of Ladies Night out which is this Friday, and Cool Yule on December 1st.

City Manager Zelenak stated he wanted to remind Council we need to discuss the future use of 318 W Lake now that it is vacant.

City Manager Zelenak stated he would like Council to consider a consent agenda, there were several items on the agenda tonight that could have been at one given time, but if a Councilmember wanted to have discussion on an item, it could be removed from the consent agenda and add it to the regular agenda. City Manager Zelenak stated the City has received a \$2,000 grant from SEMCOGG regarding collecting pavement condition data to use for the evaluation of our roads.

City Manager Zelenak stated he wanted to say thank you to all the individuals, especially the City staff for all their work for the Election. Lisa and her staff worked a number of hours not only on Election Day, but also for weeks before. He also thanked all the Election workers, the voters and the volunteers. Security was good and everyone worked well together.

City Clerk Deaton stated the city-wide voter turnout was 62%, which is very good. Statewide turnout was 57.5%. We were really busy leading up to the Election, we had 1858 absentee voter ballots and received 1786 back. We had no mechanical issues, or complaints about the lines. We also had 2 challengers at Precinct 1 & 2 and neither one filed any challenges and both left in the middle of the day. She then thanked Deputy Judy Pieper, all employees at City Hall, the DPW for all their hard work. She also thanked the Police Department for all their increased police presence, it was greatly appreciated by the inspectors and the voters. She then thanked the Election workers.

Councilmember Richards asked if the City Manager is asking for Council to make suggestions for each commission, or to go through the budget and make suggestions on line items. City Manager Zelenak stated Council sets the policies for the City so it is important for Council to point out what they think is important for the success of the City. He further stated it is important when City staff begin working on the budget for us to know what direction Council wants to go in the future. He stated we will have a Budget work session to discuss what suggestions Council has made. Councilmember Richards stated he will do his best to make some intelligent suggestions.

Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she would like to see Council use the consent agenda as soon as possible, Lyon Township uses a consent agenda and she thanked him for bringing this issue up.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Jerry Stowe, 26701 Kentucky Court of Lyon Township thanked Chief Collins for his service, he then thanked the City Manager Zelenak for coming to his wife's business and introducing himself. He further stated Bob Donohue has been very supportive of all the downtown businesses. He further stated he just wanted to point out where there are problems within the City government that is keeping the City from having a more successful downtown.

Keith Bradley of 352 Winchester, vice chair of Planning Commission. He stated he has been on the Planning Commission for 16 years. It is disconcerting for them to work hard to make a decision and then the issue comes to Council and it is dismissed quickly at times. Mr. Bradley stated we have a solid and

diverse group of people on the Planning Commission. He stated Councilmember Richards at a previous meeting stated Planning Commission normally gets things wrong and that is very disconcerting.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Kennedy stated he would like to begin by remembering Veterans' Day and all of those who served, and are serving in our armed forces. He then thanked everyone for their service. And borrowing a note from Lt. Colonel John McMann's speech today at the Veterans' Day Ceremony in downtown South Lyon, always remember that Freedom is not free.

Councilmember Kennedy recognized the Salem-South Lyon District Library for being selected as a Star Library based on their performance and service to their community. Over 7,300 U.S. public libraries were evaluated and only 257 received this recognition. The Salem-South Lyon District Library is one of only 6 in Michigan to receive this distinction. He then congratulated them once again.

Councilmember Kennedy stated he would like to follow-up on a suggestion our City Manager made regarding a possible improvement in the City Council meetings. He suggested we use a consent agenda format to collectively approve a number of items rather than discussing them individually when such action is warranted. This would improve the efficiency and effectiveness of the council meetings and he would like to see if we can take that approach going forward and give it a try, perhaps for our next meeting.

Councilmember Kennedy said he would like to move forward on determining a disposition for the property at 318 W. Lake St. Perhaps we can have that added to the agenda for next meeting.

Councilmember Richards thanked the DPW for contacting Normar for trimming the dangerous tree on Liberty Street and they did a beautiful job. He further stated the tree on Lake Street near Hagadorn is seriously dangerous. It is marked with a pink x and it will be handled by the Oakland County Road Commission.

Councilmember Richards stated he had the experience of riding his bike on the new sidewalk by the tracks and the DPW did a great job. He further stated the landscaping and the grass is wonderful.

Councilmember Richards stated there will be 2 concerts at the village on the 25th at 4:00 and 6:30 p.m. Tickets are available at Bakman Florist, The Java House and Parkside Cleaners for \$6.00

Councilmember Richards stated the house across from City Hall, has been sold and is now under contract, it sold for \$135,000

Councilmember Richards stated the tube mill gets 4 stars for all the work they have done on their parking lot. The general contractor is Pat Moll and he is a local hometown boy.

He wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Councilmember Kivell thanked the Election workers and the Police Department for such a successful election. He further stated he also wanted to thank the American Legion and VFW for the ceremony that was held downtown today for Veterans Day.

Councilmember Kivell stated he is hoping City Manager Zelenak can form a stronger relationship with Comcast installers to try to save the aggravation the residents are having to endure. He stated it is hard to understand why the contractor can't have a more coordinated effort with the City and giving the residents more understanding of when Comcast will be working in their area.

Councilmember Walton reminded everyone of the Cool Yule event that is coming up and thanks to all the Veterans for their service.

She then reminded everyone to please donate to Active Faith.

Councilmember Kurtzweil stated it is nice to see Keith Bradley at the meeting tonight and we are very fortunate to have him on the Planning Commission. She stated the Planning Commission does a great job and she thanks him for serving on the Commission. She stated it is tough and many times the developer

doesn't bring the correct paperwork and it is tough. She then thanked Keith Bradley for serving on the Planning Commission and she hopes he will remain for many years.

Councilmember Kurtzweil thanked the Cultural Arts Commission for their event last week it was very well attended. She then thanked Mary Poole for attending the event and bringing 4 pieces of her own artwork. She stated Mary Poole was in attendance and she thanked the Lake Street Tavern for supporting the Arts in South Lyon.

Councilmember Kurtzweil stated years ago, Bridgette Donohue submitted some of her artwork to the Cultural Arts Commission at the A&E Exhibit. She stated Ms. Donohue is now a student at Virginia Commonwealth University and she has been accepted at the very prestigious school of arts. She believes her portfolio included some of the artwork she brought to the A&E Exhibit. She then thanked the South Lyon graduate and congratulated her. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated her sister Amanda just finished a book signing tour for her book Margins. She further stated Amanda did all the artwork in the book. She stated they are both examples of how we as a City can support the careers and ambitions of our students. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated she was very insistent on having additional police coverage on Election Day. She then thanked the Election Inspectors and thank you to Lt. Sovik for taking the ballots to Pontiac and it was an incredible gesture of working with people within South Lyon instead of setting up barriers. She then thanked the South Lyon Police Department and Chris Sovik for their trick or treating on Halloween and there were Police officers giving out candy to the students. She stated she wanted to make the announcement that we have a new police officer, Johnathon Schneemann and he is a great young talent. She met him on Halloween night and thanked Chris Sovik for all the Officers that were involved with hiring this fine young individual.

Councilmember Kurtzweil thanked all the Veterans for their service and for fighting for her freedoms. Wonderful time on Sunday memorializing those that gave so much for our Country.

She then extended a heart warm congratulations to Dan Crenshaw who is the newly elected Congressman for the second district in the State of Texas. She stated he is a former Navy Seal and in 2012 he was serving in the Helmand Province when a home-made land mine went off almost blinding him. He retired in 2016 from the Military after earning 2 bronze stars, a purple heart and the medal of valor. He lost an eye in the explosion and wears an eye patch. She stated a few days before the Election, Saturday Night Live mocked him and made offensive comments about his eye patch. She stated she gets the First Amendment. She stated the vulgar and nasty things that are said about Melania Trump and it seems no one is concerned about that. She further stated the First Amendment protects that which is offensive, not flattering. She further stated Dan Crenshaw may be a tough Military guy, although there are things a tough guy or girl should not have to bare. She further stated the remedy is more speech, moving the narrative to a closer message of acceptance of our differences and compassion for those with disabilities. She further stated this young congressman is a role model for all of us. She stated she will never forget the sacrifices he made for me, for our Country and she knows she will not meet him, but if he ever comes through South Lyon, she and her friends would love to see him and give him a hero's hug that is deserved and earned. She will never forget him for the service to our Country.

Councilmember Richards read an apology statement, see attached

Mayor Pelchat thanked everyone that helped on Election Day, it is a long day and it is an essential part of our democracy.

Mayor Pelchat thanked the American Legion and the VFW for the Veterans Memorial and it was very nice to take part of that.

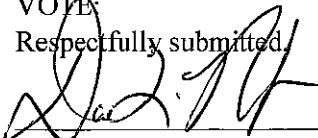
ADJOURNMENT

CM 11-23-18 MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion by Kurtzweil, supported by Walton

Motion to adjourn at 9:18 p.m.

VOTE:
Respectfully submitted.



Mayor Dan Pelchat

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



City Clerk Lisa Deaton