

City of South Lyon  
Regular City Council Meeting  
February 14, 2022

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

Mayor Pelchat led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call: Councilmembers: Dilg, Kurtzweil, Kivell, Kennedy, Mosier, Hansen

Also present: City Manager Zelenak, Attorney Hamameh, Chief Sovik, Deputy Chief Weir, DDA

Director Mack, Finance and Benefit Administrator Tiernan, and Clerk/Treasurer Deaton

MINUTES

CM 2-1-22 MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES- JANUARY 24, 2022

Motion by Kivell, supported by Kennedy

Motion to approve the minutes as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BILLS

CM 2-2-22 MOTION TO APPROVE BILLS

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Hansen

Motion to approve bills as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AGENDA

CM 2-3-22 MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Dilg, supported by Kennedy

Motion to approve the agenda as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Resignation of Wayne Chubb from Planning Commission

CM 2-4-22 MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Kurtzweil, supported by Kennedy

Motion to approve consent agenda as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ryan Lare of 716 Grand Court stated he didn't attend the last Council meeting but he did review the tape. He stated he doesn't understand why we have a rogue Councilmember that is calling a DPW employee while they are working in freezing temperatures on a water main break because that person isn't getting updates. He stated he didn't contact anyone regarding updates. He stated everyone knows the ambassador's webpage of South Lyon, news, weather, Police and Fire. Police and Fire have joined his page and as they posted the information on their page, he posted it on his. There were several residents that contacted him and he gave them the information he had. He didn't call and ask the DPW or Chief Sovik about updates, he was patient and waited. He didn't have any issues with low water pressure. He told them to wait it out and if they still had brown water in the morning to contact Marianne at the water department. He doesn't understand why we can't have professionalism in the city. It undermines our personnel. He then thanked Doug Varney and his team, without them we wouldn't have South Lyon. If

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it wasn't for Chief Sovik and his team, we wouldn't have a police department. He then stated the personnel in the city make up South Lyon. By calling the workers, you endangered them. He then thanked City Manager Zelenak for all he does for the city.

Larry Ledbetter, the president of the South Lyon Historical Commission gave a presentation regarding the history of South Lyon. \*See the full letter attached\*. He spoke about the history of the depot as well as the history of Depot Day. He stated this will be the 41<sup>st</sup> Depot Day and they will have trains, butter making, bubbles, pony rides, touch a truck fire engine, police cars, front loader tractors, hula hoop, sack races, music, bee keepers, balloons and tours of the village. This will be on September 10, 2022. He then discussed the programs they hold throughout the year, such as Native American History, Railroads, Route 66, the Tube Mill company, World War II and other programs. He stated the commission has a dream for adding a barn and a house to the village. He stated a barn will allow them to display the relics of when South Lyon was a farming company. He stated they started a barn committee two years ago. They have visited several different barns and houses and asked for quotes and marked off their site preference. He further stated Bob Polasky has put together a good presentation of the project, that he hopes to bring before city council in the near future. He stated they are hoping to start the project this year and complete it in 2023 which will be the 150<sup>th</sup> year of the village of South Lyon. He then stated he has invited Tom Daldin of Under the Radar Michigan TV show on PBS to visit South Lyon and the Historic Village as well as the Christmas House, and other downtown areas.

#### DISCUSSION- Downtown

Downtown Director Nate Mack stated he offered a contract to someone for the Farmer's Market Manager position but the person they thought would work out the best declined the contract. We will be posting it again soon. He stated at the previous DDA meeting, they discussed the first draft of the budget for the upcoming fiscal year and they voted to increase the Farmers Market vendor fees from \$15.00 to \$25.00 for a daily vendor and from \$292.00 to \$325.00 for seasonal vendors. The fees haven't been increased in many years. He then stated Main Street Oakland County should be out to assess next week to move forward with the highest level in the Main Street program. He stated the South Lyon Carnivale event will be on March 5<sup>th</sup> from 4pm to 7pm and it is progressing well. He stated the flyer went out last Friday and we'll have tarot card readers, street performers, food trucks and we have 5 downtown restaurants that will be participating and it will be a good event. Councilmember Dilg asked where the street performers and food trucks will be since the streets won't be closed. Mr. Mack stated we are thinking either in the Farmers Market lot, or the Liberty Street parking lot. The food trucks will be in the parking lot for the Liberty parking lot. Councilmember Kurtzweil asked if the person didn't take the market manager position due to money. Mr. Mack stated that is why they didn't accept the contract. Councilmember Kurtzweil asked if he has been in contact with the Cultural Arts Commission regarding the DIA. Mr. Mack stated he has not, but he will make contact with them. Councilmember Kivell asked if he has spoken with any other Market Managers in the area who is familiar with the job. Mr. Mack stated he has not.

#### FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Deputy Chief Weir stated in the last week, engine 2 received scheduled new brakes for that apparatus and was completed. On Saturday there was a motor vehicle crash in downtown by Harvard, and it caused a vehicle fire but no injuries. He stated we have been awarded a grant for a 4-hour training session for interacting with special needs patients and that will take place in April. Councilmember Kennedy asked about an update for the ladder truck. Deputy Chief Weir stated they haven't started the chassis cab yet, but he is expecting delivery by the end of the year. Councilmember Kurtzweil thanked him for applying

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for the grant. It is critical that first responders understand the importance of dealing with people with special needs. Due to the pandemic, they have been hurt hard. They can't always speak, and something you have to be able to read their body language. Mayor Pelchat thanked Deputy Chief Weir and the staff at the Fire Department for their patience while we searched for a new Fire Chief.

#### POLICE CHIEF REPORT

Chief Sovik introduced our new cadet, Ashley Tokarsky. He stated she has more experience than we normally see as a cadet applicant. Her cadet interview was one of the best he has ever been a part of. Her ability to think and the way she handled herself when answering the tough questions was better than most police officers' interviews. She was slated to attend the Michigan State Police Academy years ago. She and her husband chose to invest in her husband's future at the time, and now she will pursue her goals. She will be a good fit with us. She is planning on attending the police academy in July of this year and her ultimate goal is to be a police officer for the City of South Lyon. Chief Sovik stated we are hoping to have the generator installed soon.

#### OLD BUSINESS

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##### 1. City Council Chambers upgrades

City Manager Zelenak explained that the city, South Lyon Schools, and the Cable Commission have been researching methods to upgrade the recording and broadcast equipment in the council chambers for over a year. The city's portion of the project is 50% of the cost of the improvements which is \$16,164.30. Rich Perry of the Cable Commission gave a brief presentation of the requested upgrades for the council chambers. Councilmember Kennedy asked if there is any automatic functionality or will it always have to be manned by a person. Mr. Perry stated there will always have a person to operate the cameras with zooming in on a person, or turning the camera to the person that is speaking, and they will put in graphical images, and the names and dates of the meetings. Councilmember Kennedy asked if there is a powerpoint presentation given, the video will show the actual presentation and not just zoom onto the screen behind Council. Mr. Perry confirmed that the audience would see the actual presentation. Councilmember Kennedy asked if the new equipment will be easier to use. Mr. Perry said it would because it is contemporary equipment and the equipment, we currently have is very old. Councilmember Kennedy asked if city hall employees can run the equipment for any meetings held during working hours. Mr. Perry stated they will be trained on it, and they will build documentation and user guides for anyone that wants to learn it. Further discussion was held on training to use the equipment. Councilmember Kivell asked if there is any equipment such as Zoom that the microphone is activated when someone speaks, and the camera would automatically go to the person talking. If we did, we could have all of our commissions available on videos as opposed to reading minutes from a meeting. Mr. Perry stated that does exist, but we haven't proposed that as of now. Part of the problem is there are many microphones in this room, so it probably wouldn't work very well. Councilmember Kurtzweil thanked him for all the time he put into this. She stated there is some discussion about the OMA may begin to provide remote appearances by people with disabilities that may not be able to attend a meeting. There is also some talk about allowing elected officials to appear electronically and participate in a meeting under limited circumstances. She then asked if this equipment will allow that. Mr. Perry stated that wasn't part of the scope they researched, but he can research it if Council wishes. City Manager Zelenak stated we can look at that at a later date, it was important to bring these items so we can move forward with the upgrades that are necessary, then we can look at other things. Mr. Perry stated the vendor we are working with also

works with many municipalities and he may already be aware if this equipment has the capability. Councilmember Hansen asked if the main storage is the 4 terabytes. Mr. Perry stated it is, but we can always add more. He stated they city will be able to store the files wherever they choose. Councilmember Dilg asked what the timeline is for the equipment. Mr. Perry stated after they receive the approved documents, they will let us know. He is guessing a couple of months. Councilmember Dilg asked if the meeting will be live. Mr. Perry stated it can be live if Council would like. Mayor Pelchat thanked the Cable Commission for all their work. He further stated he is thankful we are finally at this point and he is looking forward to getting this installed.

CM 2-5-22 MOTION TO APPROVE INSTALLATION OF VIDEO UPGRADES

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Kivell

Motion to approve the installation of the video system upgrade and paying 50% of the cost of the improvements \$16,164.30 to Telsystems from account #101-200-969-300

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Kennedy- Yes

Kurtzweil- Yes

Mosier- Yes

Hansen- Yes

Dilg- Yes

Kivell- Yes

Pelchat- Yes

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. City broadcast audio visual playback system

City Manager Zelenak stated the Cable Commission has gone out for bid to upgrade the playback system for the local government access channel for broadcasting our city council and other cable related programming. Steve Kaukonen gave a brief presentation of the requested equipment. He explained we did a small upgrade 6-7 years ago, which was much better than the DVD player we use to use. Now we are really ready to step up to the next mid-level of technology that exists. He pointed out this is a two-tier approach; the proposal is for replacing the base line system that has features we don't currently have. He stated the current system crashes every so many weeks, and he or Rich must come into reboot the system, and if city hall is closed, we can't do that. We are also running into some hardware storage issues on the current CPU in the media room. The new equipment will enable them to do that remotely as well as update the playlist. He further stated the new equipment will allow them to do more live streaming. We are hoping to someday be able to live stream parades, but that is more in the future with additional equipment. He further stated we have looked at a few different vendors and we think the quote from Telsystems is best for what we are looking for. He further stated people will be able to see a schedule of what will be coming on next as well as the guide channel showing what will be on. Councilmember Kurtzweil asked about the on-demand feature. She asked if YouTube ever decides they don't want to air our council meetings anymore, is there a way to get the council meeting out. Mr. Kaukonen stated there are other platforms you can use and you can put it on the city's website as well. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated there is chatter that city council meetings are now being observed for content that is in violation of whatever those platforms guidelines are, and if YouTube doesn't want it being talked about it, they can pull the video. Mr. Kaukonen stated we are hoping to have a dedicated channel for all of our content.

CM 2-6-22 MOTION TO APPROVE BID FOR PLAYBACK SYSTEM

Motion by Kivell, supported by Kennedy

Motion to approve the bid from Telsystems in the amount of \$10,303 for the playback system from account number 101-800-977

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ROLL CALL VOTE:

Kivell- Yes  
Dilg- Yes  
Hansen- Yes  
Mosier- Yes  
Kurtzweil- Yes  
Kennedy- Yes  
Pelchat- Yes

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Purchase of easement machine for DPW

Superintendent Doug Varney stated the Department of Public Works have requested an easement machine to increase accessibility to sections of the sanitary sewer that the sewer truck can't reach. He then explained this piece of equipment is designed to attach to the sewer truck to increase the areas we are not equipped to maintain. Councilmember Kurtzweil asked how far does this extend. Superintendent Varney stated it will reach 500 feet. That is on top of what the vactor already does, so the total would be 800. Councilmember Kurtzweil asked if there is a hydraulic saw. Superintendent Varney stated this is used for cleaning, but if we needed to, we could use the bit. Councilmember Kivell asked if this will be friendly to the ground it will be tracking over. Superintendent Varney stated it is, it has a kind of tank treads on it and the guys are very happy with how well it works. He further stated we will only use it on dry ground.

CM 2-7-22 MOTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF EASEMENT MACHINE

Motion by Kurtzweil, supported by Kennedy

Motion to approve the purchase of a Trail Beast easement machine for the DPW for the amount of \$45,000 under line item 641-959-700

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Hansen- Yes  
Kurtzweil- Yes  
Kennedy- Yes  
Dilg- Yes  
Kivell- Yes  
Mosier- Yes  
Pelchat- Yes

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Sanitary sewer evaluation study phase 4 (quadrant: Sect 29-3) to include repairs to phase 1 and 2

Superintendent Varney stated we currently have a multi-year study going on right now to do CCTV to our quadrants within the city. Just recently we had Pipetek complete phase 3 and now we're moving onto to Phase 4, the southwest quadrant. He further stated Pipetek has now submitted a change order to continue on with this next phase. There are some price increases from last years pricing structure. In addition, for budget year 2022 there is a quote to offer come CIPP repairs for Phase 1 and 2. There are some price breaks per repair based on the number of repairs that are made. He stated we came up with 14 repairs that need to be done sooner than later. Councilmember Kivell stated we have been waiting for a long time and it is important to move forward with this.

CM 2-8-22 MOTION TO APPROVE AWARD TO PIPETEK

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Motion by Kivell, supported by Kennedy

Motion to approve the award of Phase 4 of the sanitary sewer evaluation study to Pipetek

Infrastructure for the amount of \$47,833.71 for CCTV phase 4 under line item 592-557-801 and 14 repairs to the sanitary sewer line under line item 592-550-930

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Hansen- Yes

Dilg- Yes

Kennedy- Yes

Kurtzweil- Yes

Mosier- Yes

Kivell- Yes

Pelchat- Yes

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

##### 5. Unsolicited written materials

City Manager Zelenak explained that it was brought to his attention by a Councilmember that they felt it would be important to have an ordinance on the books relating to the receiving of unsolicited written materials, specifically to regulate the delivery of those materials. Councilmember Kivell stated if it is a chronic circumstance, it would be nice for us to have a legal way to address this issue. He can't help but think the publishers of these things aren't getting jammed up in court because of this kind of thing. Maybe they would be more mindful of who is delivering and whether they are doing it in a way a city would like it. It would be more responsible to place them in mail boxes or some other thing rather than tossing it out in front of a house. City Attorney Hamameh stated she was asked by the City Manager to look into if her firm has ever addressed this issue. She further stated her law firm drafted some ordinances for some communities and she has provided those copies. She stated there was litigation against Orion Township in the past regarding this. City Manager Zelenak stated he has spoken with the Orion Township Supervisor and it actually went to Federal Court. It had to do with the violation of first amendment rights, not only freedom of speech, but freedom of the press. He stated they ended up settling. Their first avenue was looking at the delivery and just considering it litter, but the courts looked at what litter is. By definition, a newspaper being delivered is not litter. He further stated a paper that is delivered isn't being discarded, it is delivered with the intent for someone to read it. In Orion Township, they went through several years in the court, and each township board member, along with the township was facing a law suit against them for 5 million dollar each because of the first amendment rights of the free press. This has also occurred in Alabama, New Jersey, New York, and many other states. Some of the decisions are based upon supreme court cases. In Wyoming, in 1994 the supreme court voted to strike down the restrictions on distribution of papers being delivered. He stated we looked into this more, the final results to settle, the residents were provided with a contact number for the individuals that were actually handling the delivery of those items and the residents were able to contact them to tell them they don't want it delivered. Other jurisdictions are handling it the same way. He stated another concern is who enforces the ordinance, and against who. The person delivering the paper, or the company hiring the people to deliver, or the paper. There is a lot to consider. Councilmember Kurtzweil questioned some of the language in the sample ordinances. She then stated when it comes to where things can be delivered, people aren't always comfortable walking up to someone's door, which may be why they are delivered on the easement or driveway. Homeowners have dogs, there could be things where people could trip and fall. She further questioned how someone would attach something securely to a door, or between the exterior front doors if unlocked, which she would not advise anyone to do that. She stated the sample ordinances seem very restrictive. She then stated when she looked into this, anything with a first amendment message, you will have a hard time defending the ordinance. She said she is familiar with the

Orion Township litigation, and the settlement did not resolve the issue of first amendment. That is important to know, the issue of first amendment is still on the table for litigation. She further stated she is a strong advocate of first amendment rights. She stated when she feels a tread of walking toward something that infringes on her ability to receive reading material on her property is a problem. She stated she doesn't care where it is delivered. She can't support anything like this. Councilmember Dilg stated she hates seeing these things, but she doesn't want to interfere with peoples first amendment rights, but is there a way to force the people issuing the items to have a phone number included so they can call and ask to be removed from the list, such as campaign material has. Councilmember Kivell stated the other issue is nothing will be triggered unless someone files a complaint to act on it. Councilmember Kennedy stated a number of the comments are very valid. Once we have an ordinance drafted, we can fine tune it to reflect those instances where we want to allow something like this or not like this, but we need a framework to get the ordinance started. He further stated it isn't to restrict the delivery of the particular document, it is about controlling the manner in which it is delivered. If you look at the pictures of the packages delivered in the roads, the right of ways, and they are not on anyone's property. If they are delivered onto the roads, the city could call and ask them to stop doing so. He further stated he doesn't want this to be heavy handed. You can secure it to the handle on a door, or on the mailbox. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated the City Manager is correct, and litter in the streets is not a basis to limit free speech. She stated with free speech and with what people say in those materials, there could be some inconvenience for the people that don't want to hear it. She doesn't want government to restrict what she receives on her private property. If people don't like them, they should just pick them up and throw them away. Councilmember Dilg stated she doesn't think the ordinance is going to restrict free speech, she would like to see something written that will give our residents some recourse if this keeps happening to them because she has some neighbors that are unable to bend over and pick them up. There should be some kind of recourse and a phone number the residents can call to tell them not to keep leaving the information. Councilmember Hansen stated it is easy for someone to pick up the information and recycle it, but he has seen materials delivered to neighborhoods and some people leave it on the driveway and as it snows and rains, it deteriorates into a messy glob, and it is an eyesore, and it is trash. He further stated having some sort of ordinance or at least a stipulation as far as where they deliver the information is something we should look at. Councilmember Kivell stated when you get the random things delivered and they are sitting on your sidewalk and when it snows, it could damage your snowblower. He further stated we shouldn't spend a lot of time and money on this, but he would like to see something universally acceptable and we can go from there to refine it. It would be nice if we could have something actionable.

CM 2-9-22 MOTION TO APPROVE STAFF AND ATTORNEY TO DRAFT ORDINANCE

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Dilg

Motion to approve city staff and attorney to create an ordinance addressing the unsolicited delivery of written materials in the City of South Lyon

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Kivell- Yes

Hansen- Yes

Dilg- Yes

Mosier- Yes

Kennedy- Yes

Kurtzweil- No

Pelchat- Yes

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT- Judy Keeling of 62180 Arlington Circle stated she is happy to hear the Fire Department is going to take a class on dealing with disabled or special needs people, and she worked 23

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years in special education and she has a son that is special needs, and she would be happy to attend the class as well.

### MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Zelenak stated at the second meeting in February we will have an agenda item the resolution for the purchase of sanitary sewer easements associated with the sanitary sewer line under the railroad tracks. He also stated we have posted for the demolition of 501 McMunn which was purchased in 2018. He then stated we will be asking for bids again for 318 W Lake Street for the development of the property and he will be interviewing with the newspaper for an article they will be doing for that property. He then reminded Council we will have a pre-budget meeting on March 2<sup>nd</sup> to discuss the ARPA funds we will be receiving and the allowable uses. City Manager Zelenak stated we have hired Joey Thorington as our new Fire Chief, and he will start on Wednesday February 23<sup>rd</sup>. He worked for Dearborn for over 20 years, most recently as the Deputy Chief. He then thanked the Fire Department and Deputy Chief Weir for their work while we were without a Fire Chief. Councilmember Kivell stated he would like to see the city get more aggressive with 110 Detroit Street and Lefty's, it has been going on ridiculously long and he doesn't know what needs to take place, but for us to be sitting on our thumbs has gotten absurd. It is making it difficult for us to be able to relate with anyone that will be pushing the margins and make them follow the rules and to intervene with any kind of time and it is a bad example for us to be able to address people that aren't doing what they should be doing with their property. City Manager Zelenak stated we haven't been twiddling our thumbs, Lefty's will be going to court with our ordinance officer and we have been working with our attorney on 110 Detroit Street and that was already filed with the courts, and the building official and attorney drafted a letter regarding the consent judgement that we have and we are following the process. It is based on the scheduling with the courts, it isn't us that is holding it up, we are on their time frame. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated many courts are still not meeting face to face. Most is the hold up in the courts. She stated the chatter is we are 3 years behind in the courts. It is a serious problem, and they will prioritize. Councilmember Hansen asked if anyone has applied for the road committee. City Manager Zelenak stated we have 2 applicants as of now, and he will be meeting with them soon. We are still recruiting individuals to be part of that committee.

### COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Dilg thanked Larry Ledbetter for his enthusiasm for the city and the passion on our history, she was able to hear him speak recently about the tube mill and we need more champions like him. She then stated in the past there was a lack of professionalism and she would like to say for the most part, this council does a terrific job of supporting our departments and standing by our city manager, and the Police and Fire Chief. She feels very strongly about that, and she thanked Deputy Chief Weir for all that he has done while we were waiting to find a new Fire Chief.

Councilmember Hansen reminded everyone of the 18<sup>th</sup> annual South Lyon creek clean-up and he is excited to participate in this and he has his waders ready and looking forward to cleaning up the debris and waste we might find. It is Sunday April 24<sup>th</sup> from 9-1 and we will meet up at 400 McMunn at Michigan Seamless Tube.

Councilmember Kurtzweil thanked Linda Ross and Larry Ledbetter for their contributions to the city and she has already spoke to Linda regarding the barn, and she comes from an agricultural family and has a very strong interest in attending the barn raising. She is confident the money will come in sooner than later. She then thanked Wayne Chubb for his time on the Planning Commission, she served with him

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many years ago, and he was brilliant, well prepared. Councilmember Kurtzweil reminded everyone to order your Girl Scout cookies, the hard-working young ladies, not only sell cookies in freezing temperatures, they also do acts of kindness and they instill a sense of good will. She then reminded everyone of Paczki Day and she hopes everyone gets their order in at the South Lyon Village Bakery. She then stated she hopes everyone remembers our troops that are headed to Europe tonight. She prays they are safe and they return to American soil to be with your families, sooner than later. God Bless our Troops and God Bless America.

Councilmember Kennedy reminded our residents that our South Lyon Fire Department has smoke detectors available. If you need a smoke detector, please contact the fire department at 248.437.2616 and they will schedule a time to come to your home and install one, absolutely free of charge. He stated as we all know, working smoke detectors save lives.

Councilmember Mosier thanked Larry Ledbetter for his presentation this evening. She also thanked Deputy Chief Weir for stepping in while we searched for a new Fire Chief. She then thanked Wayne Chubb and she reminded everyone that we need more people for our boards and commissions. She stated we need volunteers for Pumpkinfest as well. She then stated Linden Beebe was our water and sewer superintendent and the director for DPW for many years and he recently passed away. She sends her condolences to his family.

Councilmember Kivell stated Wayne Chubb was very talented with what he did and he was a real asset to the Planning Commission because he had good judgement and ideas to try to better programs being pitched to the city. He further stated we have a number of vacancies for our boards and commissions, it is very rewarding. He then stated today is his wife's birthday and he wished her a happy birthday.

Mayor Pelchat stated he would also like to encourage everyone to join a board or commission, and he enjoyed being a member of the cable commission. He stated you will make some new friends and it will make you feel proud to be a part of something. He then stated he is a huge winter Olympics fan and the American women will be playing against Canada later this week. The hours are odd, but he hopes more people will watch it. It is only 4 years, and he encourages everyone to watch.

CM 2-10-22 MOTION TO ADJOURN

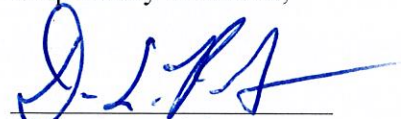
Motion by Kurtzweil

Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:18 p.m.

VOTE:

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,



Mayor Dan Pelchat

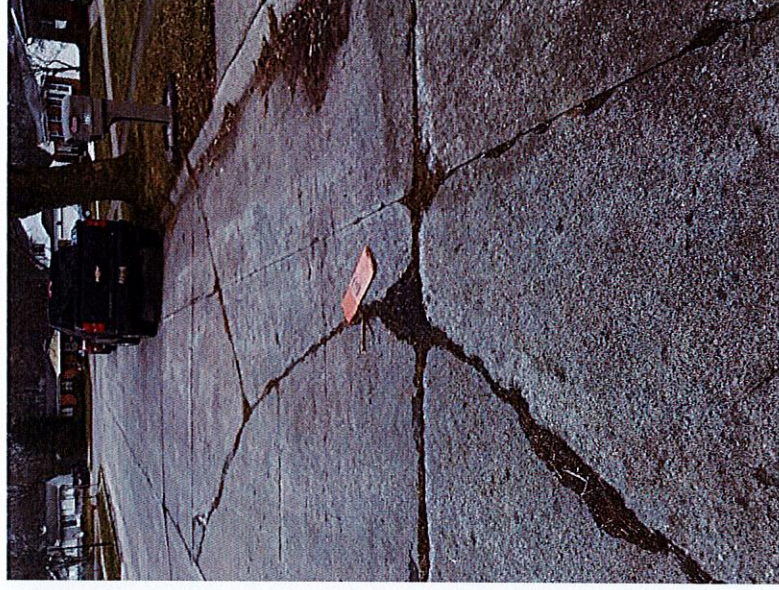
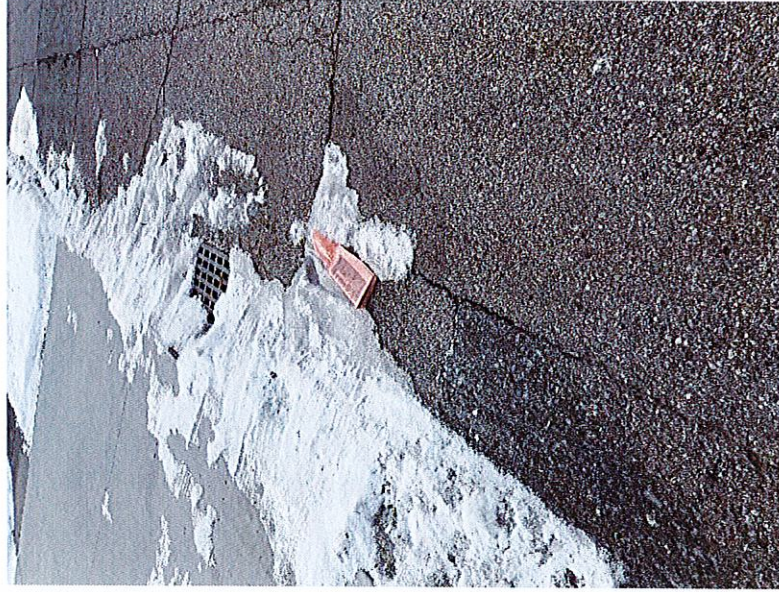


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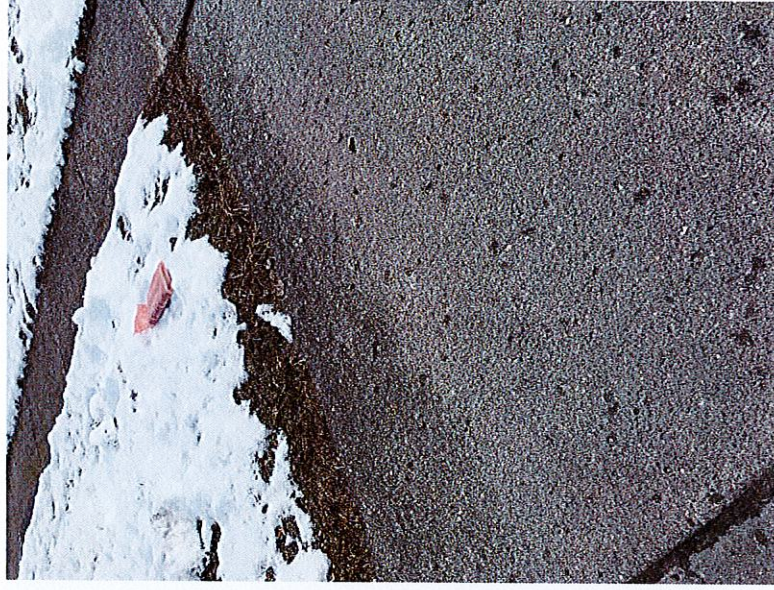


## Unsolicited Newspapers Thrown on City Property



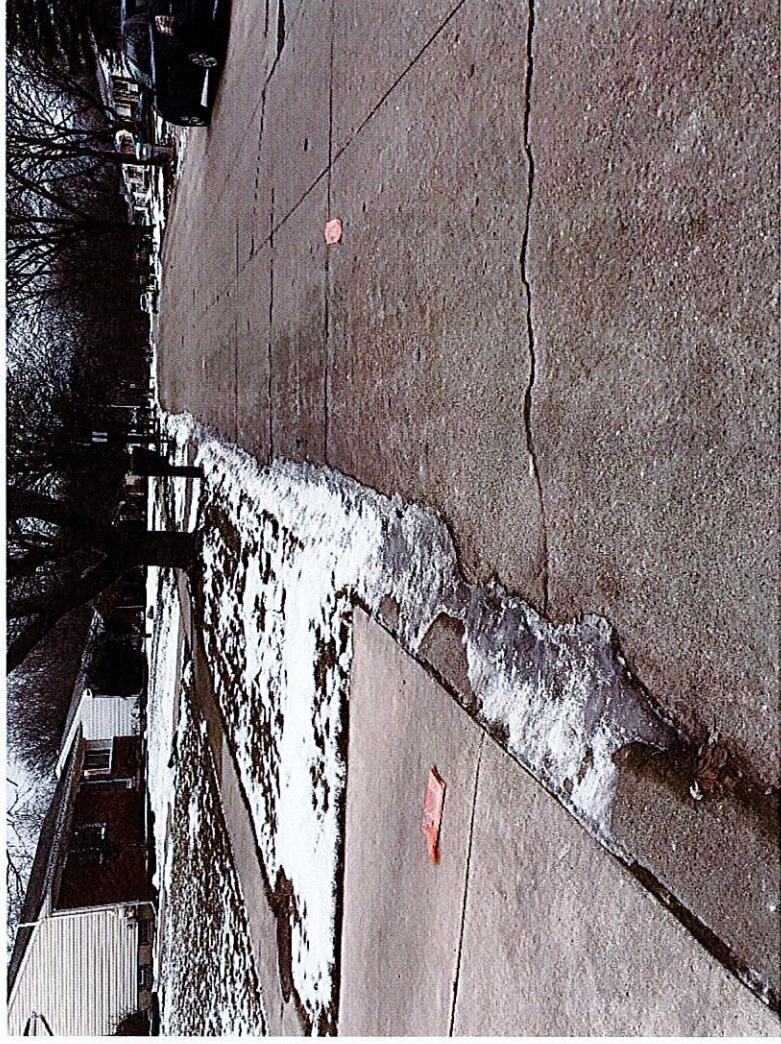


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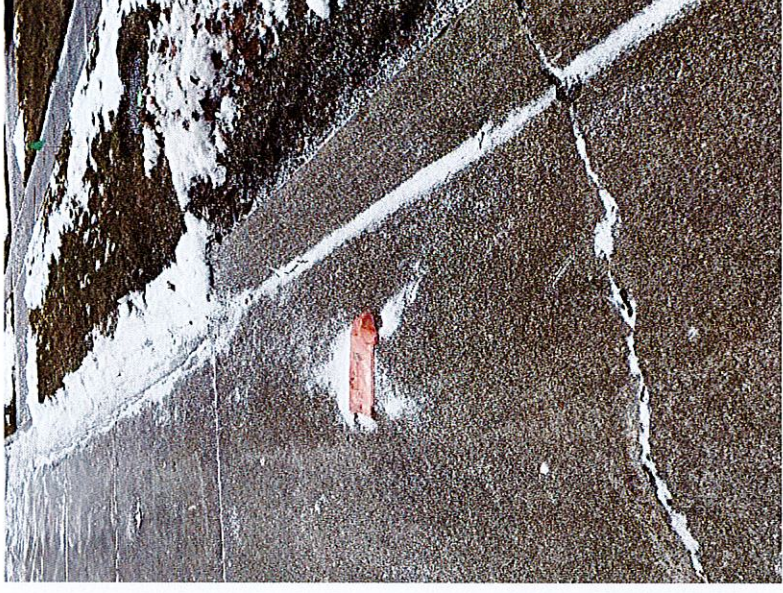
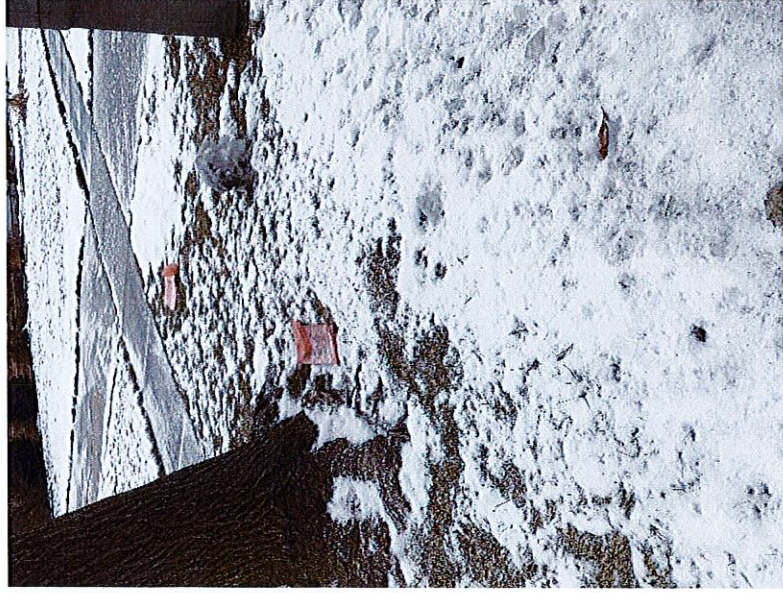


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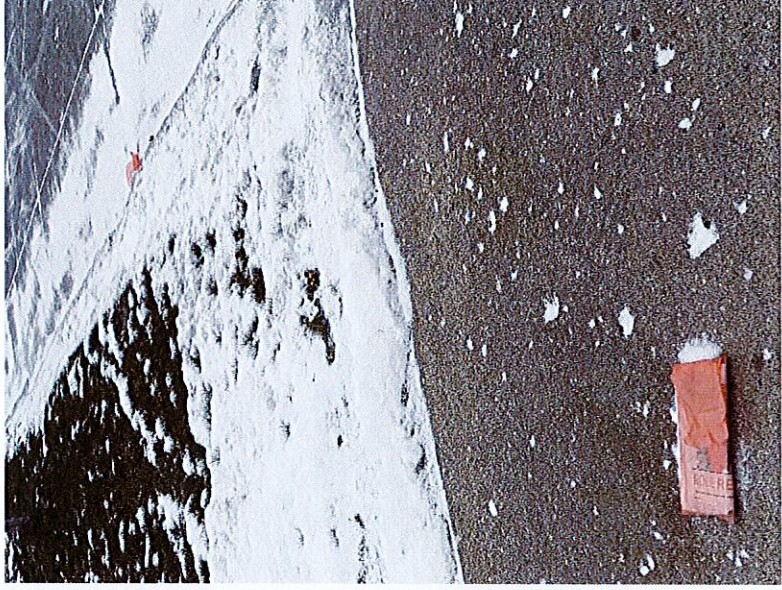
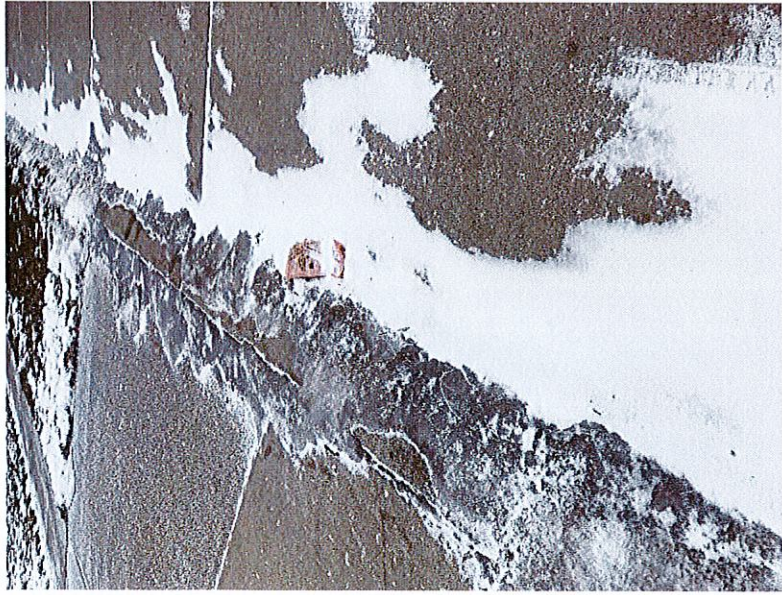


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Hello everyone, I am Larry Ledbetter 11343 Clovis Pointe South Lyon. I am the President of the S.L. Historical Commission.

In 1975 The Depot was spared from demolition by Mayor John Noel and Policeman Don Fletcher and others. It was moved and restored in 1976 through the efforts of Mayor Andy Rajkovich, clerk Gail Smolarz, The City Council and I am sure many other civic leaders.

In 1981 the first Depot Days weekend celebration included a parade and a big community event. This year marks the 41<sup>st</sup> Depot Day. We are planning now to have day of family fun.

Model trains, butter making, bubbles, pony rides, touch a truck fire engine, police cars, front loader tractors, hula hoops, sack races, music, bee keeper, balloons, and of course tours of the village. All this is planned for September 10, 2022 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

All year we try to provide interesting programs to the community such as: Native American History, Railroads, Route 66, Tube Mill Co. World War II, and others. Our Mission is to preserve and make available the history and artifacts in the museum. My biggest thrill is the sharing with young people about the days when there was no television, no refrigerator in your home, listening to the Lone Ranger on the radio, playing kick the can in the alley, telephone booths, no cell phones, no internet, no video games: what did we do????

We have a dream about adding a barn and a house to the Village. We have been talking about it for years. Linda Ross (Historical Society President) made a list from some of our Commission minutes when we recorded our thought about a barn and house. A barn would allow us to display the relics of when South Lyon was a farming community. At one time S.L. was called "The Horse Capital of Michigan".

Paul Zelenak encouraged us to put a plan together, and we started the barn committee two years ago. We have visited several barns and houses, interviewed restorers, asked for quotes and marked off our site preference. Bob Polasky has put together a very good presentation of the project. He will soon be asking to make that presentation to City Council. The barn is just South of Eight Mile West of Pontiac Trail, The Roper family home.

Our hope is to start the project this year and proceed with the restoration to have a dedication in 2023. A significant date indeed, the 150<sup>th</sup> year of the Village of South Lyon, The Sesquicentennial. Pete Niedzielski had a zoom call with Erica Wilson, Paul Zelenak and Mark Russell during which he asked for a modification to the planned use of the East portion of the Village for parking. The driveway runs right through our house. We hope that moving the driveway will allow all to succeed. We have been very fortunate that our closest neighbor The First United Methodist Church has allowed us to use their baseball field to park for special events much the same way that U of M Big House uses Pioneer High School and The Golf course for games.

There is a TV show on PBS called Under the Radar Michigan. Tom Daldin is a fast talking jovial host who visits all things Michigan. I have invited him to The Historic Village for Depot Day, to tour the Tube Mill, the S.L. Hotel, the Christmas House, the Corner Social, Luca's Coney, Lake Street Tavern, Grand Trunk, Pumpkinfest, Memorial Day, Diane's Doll House etc. so many interesting places, I hope he accepts.

Thank You for your time.

Larry Ledbetter, Feb 14, 2022