

City of South Lyon
Regular City Council Meeting
March 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, Fire Chief Thorington, Lieutenant Baaki, DDA Director Mack,
Finance and Benefit Administrator Tiernan, and Clerk/Treasurer Deaton
Absent: Superintendent Varney

MINUTES

CM 3-1-22 MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES 2/28/2022

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Kivell
Motion to approve the minutes as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 3-2-22 MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES 3/2/2022

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Kivell
Motion to approve the minutes as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BILLS

CM 3-3-22 MOTION TO APPROVE THE BILLS

Motion by Dilg, supported by Kennedy
Motion to approve the bills as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

AGENDA

CM 3-4-22 MOTION TO APPROVE AGENDA

Motion By Dilg, supported by Kennedy
Motion to approve agenda as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Easter Egg Scramble
2. Application for temporary use for a monthly youth entrepreneur market

CM 3-5-22 MOTION TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA

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

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

PUBLIC COMMENT- No public comment was made

DISCUSSION- Downtown

Downtown and Economic Director Nate Mack stated the Carnivale event was very successful and he thanked DPW, the Fire Department and the Police Department for all of their help. It was fantastic, there were lines to get into all the restaurants and we will definitely have that event again and we may close the

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streets next year. He then stated the DDA Board met, and they voted to keep the Farmers Market remaining in their lot during Pumpkifest. He then stated we have a new Market Manager and her name is Diana Regan and she has been a long-time vendor and she is also the Market Manager for Holly. She has food trucks and vendors already signed up. Mr. Mack then stated the development on Lafayette Street will be on an agenda for the Planning Commission in April. Councilmember Dilg stated the Carnivale event was a great event, everyone really loved it. She then thanked the DDA and the volunteers. Councilmember Kivell stated he is happy about the new Market Manager and that she already has everyone signed up for the market. Councilmember Mosier asked who is on the promotions committee. Mr. Mack stated Tanya Nevitt, Andrea O'Keefe, Karen Nagy and Blake Crady. Councilmember Mosier thanked them for the great job they did on the Carnivale event. She further stated that Diana will do a great job as the Market Manager. Councilmember Dilg stated it was great doing events like that and there were a lot of people staying downtown. Councilmember Hansen stated it was a great event and there were lines to get into the restaurants.

FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Chief Thorington stated the Fire Department had 42 calls this week, and 1 EMS due to a powerline being down, an unauthorized burn, and standby. We installed a dozen or so smoke detectors since the last council meeting. He further stated we had 5 yearly inspections as well as a couple plan reviews. He then explained the SCBA's are great and the safety features have really improved.

POLICE CHIEF REPORT

Lieutenant Baaki stated they will have a mock assessment on May 4th for the accreditation. We had a pre mock meeting discussing what we need to work on to get through the accreditation. He stated there was 24 teachers involved and they held the training at Bartlett. He then stated they did some ALICE training at the kid's club and we'll be doing the same with all departments of the city.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS- None

NEW BUSINESS

1. Award of bid to demolish the abandoned building located at 501 McMunn
City Manager Zelenak stated as part of our efforts to make further improvements to McHattie Park, we have solicited bids to remove asbestos and demolish the abandoned house at 501 McMunn. Councilmember Kivell stated he doesn't understand why 4 of the 6 bidders didn't submit all of the information that was requested. Councilmember Kivell asked what the timeline is. City Manager Zelenak stated probably 30-60 days.

CM 3-6-22 MOTION TO APPROVE BID TO DEMOLISH BUILDING

Motion by Kivell, supported by Kennedy

Motion to approve the award of the bid to demolish the building at 501 McMunn to Asbestos Abatement, Inc. of Lansing at an amount not to exceed \$22,800 from Acct. No. 101-690-801

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUDGET

Finance and Benefit Administrator Tiernan stated we held a meeting regarding the use of the ARPA funds. She stated the first round of reporting the use of the funds will be the end of April. After that she will report to Council some of the things other municipalities are working on and what was approved and what was not approved, so we can then move forward with our funding options. She also reminded everyone we have until December 2024 to commit what the money will be spent on, and we have until December 2026 to expend all the funds. She then reminded everyone of our first budget workshop on April 6th at 6:00 p.m. Councilmember Kurtzweil asked if she will be prepared regarding the water bills and how we are generating revenue. Ms. Tiernan stated she will be able to discuss the rate table that was given to us by Plante Moran that Council approved 2 years ago.

PUBLIC COMMENT- No public comment was made.

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Zelenak stated at an upcoming Council meeting we will be discussing the approval of the bond language for the August Ballot proposal on road improvements as well as a discussion on the water/sewer tap fee usage policy and a discussion on unsolicited material ordinance. He stated the first road committee meeting was held last week, and he met with 3 members of the committee and our engineers and they discussed long term planning for our roads as well as ballot language. The committee had some excellent ideas on the FAQ that was created and they discussed reaching out to the public, and some ideas on visual representation of certain materials to give residents a better idea on the road conditions and how the ballot proposal will affect them. He further stated they will be meeting again in the next few weeks. He then reminded everyone that the Board of Review will be hearing appeals on March 8th, 14th and 16th. Councilmember Dilg asked when the ballot language has to be approved. City Manager Zelenak stated May 10th. Councilmember Dilg asked how did the road committee members reacted to the information. City Manager Zelenak stated they are very positive and they had a lot of questions and we are exchanging additional information. Councilmember Kivell asked if anything has happened with Lefty's. City Manager Zelenak stated they have not shown up to court so we are waiting for the next steps from the prosecutor. Councilmember Kivell then asked if there are any updates on 110 Detroit. City Manager Zelenak stated there have been some discussion between the attorney and building department compliance and the building permit, but we are still moving forward with that.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Kennedy sated he wanted to share a shout-out to the South Lyon Unified Boys Swim & Dive team! They had an amazing season with their fifth straight Lakes Valley Conference (LVC) Championship; a new LVC 200 relay record; all three Relays qualified for state; as well as four individuals qualifying in one or more events. This past weekend at the Michigan High School Athletic Association (MHSAA) Division 1 State Championships, they added an exclamation point to their season with the 400-relay team racing to a new South Lyon Varsity record; all three relay teams scoring; plus, two individuals scoring in the top 16 and they did an amazing job. He then reminded everyone to change the batteries in your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide alarms. Working detectors and alarms save lives.

Councilmember Kurtzweil thanked everyone that attended the Carnivale event and she reminded everyone if they want to keep nice businesses in our downtown, you need to shop our downtown and

spend more time downtown. She then thanked everyone that supported the Girl Scouts during their cookie sale. She then thanked Randy Clark who owns McHattie Center and allowed the Girl Scouts to use his property. They were also at Milford and 10 Mile as well as the grocery stores. She then reminded everyone of the fish fry's in town, you don't have to go to Novi, or Green Oak, you don't need to go anywhere else, we have plenty of restaurants and Churches.

Councilmember Hansen reminded everyone that interest rates are on the rise and everyone should remember that if they are looking to purchase a car or a home. He then reminded everyone of the 18th annual Creek Clean up on April 24th between 9:00 to 1:00 p.m. We will be meeting at the Michigan Seamless Tube parking lot. It may be chilly so he wants everyone to dress warm and he hopes to see a lot of people that day.

Councilmember Mosier stated she also would like to remind everyone to shop downtown and the Carnivale event was a great event.

Councilmember Dilg stated she is a member of the Kensington Valley Civitan Club and she is excited about the youth entrepreneur event and she is happy they will be having it here in town. She stated they met with Nate to make sure they weren't going to be stealing customers from the Farmers Market. She further stated it will be a nice event and she hopes they get a lot of interest at their booths to boost that entrepreneur spirit.

Councilmember Kivell stated they completed the cladding on the exterior on the 135 E Lake building although they still have a lot of work to do, it is a very nice presentation as you enter the city.

Mayor Pelchat stated the Carnivale was a great event and as a reminder, we need volunteers to do those types of events and Pumpkinfest is coming up and they are looking for volunteers as well. South Lyon Collision celebrated 40 years in town and congratulations to the Fagin family. Gary is very involved in the community and he is very happy for them. He then stated he visited all the elementary schools and it was a ton of fun. He then stated he will be attending the State of the County event representing the city. He received a handwritten event from Congresswoman Stevens for the 40 under 40 award and it is always great to hear from our representatives.

ADJOURNMENT

CM 3-7-22 MOTION TO ADJOURN

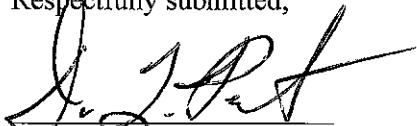
Motion by Kurtzweil

Motion to adjourn meeting at 8:00 p.m.

VOTE:

MOTION CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,



Mayor Dan Pelchat



City Clerk/Treasurer Lisa Deaton