

City of South Lyon  
Regular City Council Meeting  
April 12, 2021

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

Roll Call: Mayor Pro Tem Kivell joined the meeting from South Lyon MI, Councilmembers: Dilg joined the meeting from South Lyon MI, Kennedy joined the meeting from South Lyon MI, Kurtzweil joined the meeting from South Lyon MI, and Walton joined the meeting from South Lyon MI, Councilmember Richards joined the meeting from South Lyon

Also, present: City Manager Zelenak, Attorney Hamameh, Chief Sovik, Chief Vogel, Finance and Benefit Administrator Tiernan, DDA Director Mack, Superintendent Varney and Clerk/Treasurer Deaton

#### MINUTES

Councilmember Kivell stated on page 6 the words “so you better buckle up” should be added to the sentence, Councilmember Kivell stated he is fine either way, the problem will be if there is enough conflict that you can’t come to a consensus on someone being appointed, chances are there will be contention as it goes forward until the Election. He then stated on the same page, after the word looks the words at this issue should be added and in the same sentence, the word fix should be changed to exist.

#### CM 4-1-21 MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Kivell

Motion to approve the minutes as amended

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### BILLS

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Walton

Councilmember Richards stated the wages for the Cemetery is at 104,000. Finance and Benefit Administrator Tiernan stated that line item is actually blank, the 104,000 is under the Police Department. Councilmember Richards then asked about the 4 payments for Batco Incorporated, and asked if we are buying it or leasing. Finance and Benefit Administrator Tiernan stated it is listed 3 times because it is listed by account number, it is one total split between different accounts.

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### AGENDA

#### CM 4-2-21 MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Walton

Motion to approve the agenda as presented

VOTE: MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Dilg requested both items to be added to New Business for discussion.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Ryan Lare stated he has some wonderful news. Last week he spent an hour and a half cleaning up Paul Baker Park and Reynold Sweet Parkway and around the Police Department. He noticed a lot of trash that needed to be cleaned up so he took his scooter out and cleaned out over 1 and ½ bags of trash and he wants to thank all the residents that stopped and thanked him for taking the time to clean up our City. He further stated he looks forward to seeing everyone at the clean-up this week. He then stated he mentioned 4/13/2021

to Larry that the parking lot in front of the Police and Fire Station is full of trash and masks and debris. That has been added to the list for the cleanup.

Lynda Hyaduck of Jim Runestads office stated she is here to remind everyone that their office is available for phone calls, emails and we have a website and Facebook page. She stated they have helped over a thousand people get their unemployment benefits over the course of the last year. She stated they do all kinds of assistance connecting people with agencies, and municipalities receive grants or do research. She further stated if anyone needs any assistance or have ideas, or want to give your opinion on some legislation give them a call. They talk to hundreds of people every week. She then thanked Ryan Lare for being a great model for other citizens.

#### DISCUSSION- Downtown

The Economic and Downtown Director Nate Mack stated the DDA board met last week and they had a discussion regarding an opportunity for recovery planning for the downtown with the National Main Street Center and he will be setting a date when the County is finished with their budget. He stated they held discussion about 222 S Lafayette street. He then stated they have a new volunteer for the promotions committee and all four of the newly formed committees have met and have been productive. One of the exciting things the design committee is working on is sprucing up the alley between 12 Kitchen Elves and Bob's Barber Shop. They will be cleaning it up and maybe putting some stain on the planters and they will try to make it look a little better to make it look more welcoming. Mr. Mack stated the promotions committee is looking to offer an internship with a high school student in journalism class to help manage their Instagram account and he is working on the application and the members are reaching out to their contacts in the schools to see if there is any interest and we think it will last about a month. He stated the Farmers Market is opening May 1<sup>st</sup> and they have gotten some guidance from the Farmers Market Association and he will ensure we are compliant with the State's regulations and we have been successful obtaining sponsorships and we look forward to a safe and successful market season. We have food trucks set up for each date. Mr. Mack stated we have received 24 responses from the survey the task force sent out, so we are getting some good responses. He stated we are all set for the flowers potentially before Memorial Day. Councilmember Dilg stated Ladies Night has become really popular and there's tons of women that come for that and she spoke with some businesses about how they will handle the protocols, but her concern is that it is very difficult without COVID to get in and around all the businesses and she thinks now with the protocols, the lines outside could be extensive. She has asked before, but is there a way we can shut down the street to make Ladies Night more open so the businesses can get their business and the restaurants could get more seating, something that we can do to open it up more so it isn't frustrating for the people getting into the businesses and the business owners trying to keep protocol. Mr. Mack stated he would reach out to Oakland County and find out. Councilmember Dilg stated she has spoken with the City Manager in the past and he had concerns about how many times we can shut the streets down and issues with liability and the Police. City Manager Zelenak stated they are still concerning, we worry about rerouting traffic during rush hour on a Friday evening coming downtown and how we get everyone around because it isn't just between Whipple Street and 10 Mile, we would have to shut down north, south, east and west and it is very difficult to have the roads shut down for 4 hours and reroute people through subdivisions. It is something we can look at. The first year we shut down E Lake between Wells and Pontiac Trail and it didn't pan out, there really wasn't a large gathering. He further stated we can have those discussions and include the Police and Fire Department. Councilmember Dilg stated the cruise in and the Motorfest was on the consent agenda that were all going to just vote for, so she wants to know why those aren't as much of a concern as Ladies Night. City Manager Zelenak stated one event is much bigger and the other is weekly and is on Lake Street by Wells Street, so it isn't shutting down Pontiac Trail. Councilmember Walton asked if when Mr. Mack was speaking about flowers, did it

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include the 2 additional pots at the Veterans Memorial? Mr. Mack stated it included Paul Baker Park and downtown, but he can add those. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated the tract of land downtown where the architectural firm is and the owner has offered to allow the City to explore options with him in using that property as a DDA function such as street music, and the only thing he would ask is for the City to indemnify him on an insurance policy. Councilmember Kivell stated 110 Detroit is up for sale and asked how that will impact the timeline of what our reaction is going to be as far as trying to get something moving. He then stated it is a cash only \$169,000 for what is there and that is a bump up from original price and its concerning because it leads him to believe it will end up being a tear down. It is being marketed as you can live in a historic home downtown but when you buy what's there and the cost to refurb that would be very pricey. He then asked if we can use the shelters for Ladies Night if there is inclement weather. Mr. Mack stated we want to avoid groups of people from different households gathering in that small space so we don't want to use them for that.

#### FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Chief Vogel stated they have been flushing hydrants, which is good for the hydrants and good for the system so you may see some red water. He stated their extrication equipment has arrived and that is exciting, FEMA paid for it. He then stated there was another gas leak in Colonial Acres. He has invoiced Xfinity both times, the 3 hours the first time and 2 hours this time. Both times they hit lines that were marked. Councilmember Kennedy asked if the invoice was for man hours and equipment hours. Chief Vogel stated we invoiced for personnel time and equipment. Councilmember Kivell asked if they were able to see the Detroit's ladder truck. Chief Vogel stated that is in the future, and we thought there was one down in Indiana but it wasn't the one we wanted. He further stated he confirmed the demo truck will be here in May and we are the first stop from the factory. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated it is important for the contractors to realize when they disrupt gas lines, they are taking away resources from the community. She hopes they don't argue with the chargeback. Chief Vogel stated what was so frustrating was it was so close to their homes and we had to evacuate multiple buildings. He stated they were out of their homes for about 4 hours.

#### POLICE CHIEF REPORT

Chief Sovik stated the City Manager and Patricia did a great job on preparing our budget. He had several meetings and pre-discussion meetings, and from a law enforcement perspective, the execution really depends on how well you prepare. They did a fantastic job and the packet was really nice. It seems to get smoother every year.

#### \*POLICE AND FIRE SPECIAL RECOGNITION\*

Mayor Pelchat read a press release. \*Please see attached\* The press release explains the life saving measures which were taken by Sergeant Baker, Officer Tomanek and Officer Walton along with Firefighters Deputy Chief Weir and Lieutenant Conrad, Firefighter Hopkins, and Firefighter Shipley on March 24<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Pelchat stated that is great and it never gets old getting notes from our community or a press release like this, it explains to our community what our first responders are capable of. Councilmember Dilg thanked everyone involved and stated on top of everything our first responders have had to deal with this year, which seems very different. She appreciates all they do and she is happy we don't have the same kind of situations you see around the country. She appreciates everyone working together and she appreciates them saving her life. Councilmember Kivell asked if the chest compression device is getting used as much as you thought. Chief Vogel stated more than he anticipated and it is a game changer, it has changed how we do CPR and the results have been great. Councilmember Kivell stated everyone seemed

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to play a strong role in getting that satisfaction. He further stated it helps to keep our guys from getting fatigued and they're still being able to get the benefit of what the equipment can do. Councilmember Kennedy stated he wants to recognize and compliment the firefighters and Police Officers for their efforts and the results of their efforts, job well done. Councilmember Walton stated we have an incredible team of Firefighters and Police personnel and they never disappoint. She thanked them for keeping this woman and everyone in our community safe. Councilmember Kurtzweil thanked everyone involved in this very heroic mission. She stated it is important to thank Council for funding and providing the financial resources to our fire and police departments to have the training and the equipment necessary to save lives and keep our community safe. The communities that are struggling is because they made different financial decisions than we have in South Lyon. Chief Vogel thanked everyone for their support and it really makes their job easier and very happy for the support of Council. Chief Sovik stated Council has provided them with the resources they need. He further stated if you're in a bigger community you're not going to have the resources in time. The matter of proximity we have and along with the resources we have has made us successful in some of these areas. We appreciate the support and resources from Council.

#### UNFINISHED BUSINESS- None

#### NEW BUSINESS

1. Emergency purchase of new lift station pump for the Colonial Acres lift station  
Superintendent Varney stated we recently had a failure of a pump at Colonial Acres. This is manufactured by Barnes, and it's an explosion proof pump. We pulled the pump so it could be taken to Jett Pump for tear down and analysis. We currently do not have a spare and if there is a failure which is possible, the station would require a pump to be rented at a substantial cost. There is a pump available for purchase through Jett Pump & Valve LLC. This is a budgeted item and can be purchased for \$5,401.52 including the \$225.00 charged to analyze the failed pump and the purchase will be purchased under line item 592-557-977. Councilmember Kivell asked what information will the analysis give you. Superintendent Varney stated they will check it out and we are hoping we will get that back as a rebuilt pump to keep as a spare. Councilmember Kivell asked if that pump can be used at another lift station. Superintendent Varney stated no, they are not universal. Councilmember Kurtzweil asked for an explanation for waiving the competitive bid. Mr. Varney stated the configuration of the pump, we would have to change the wiring and everything involved to make it work properly, it will only work with the Barnes pump. We would have to rewire the controls if we changed pumps.

#### CM 4-3-21 MOTION TO WAIVE BID PROCESS

Motion by Kurtzweil, supported by Kennedy

Motion to waive Sect 2-224 of the City of South Lyon Code of Ordinances, "approval for purchases or contracts over \$2,000; competitive bidding for purchases or bidding over \$5,000 because no advantage to the City would result.

#### ROLL CALL VOTE:

Walton- Yes  
Kennedy- Yes  
Dilg- Yes  
Richards- Yes  
Kivell- Yes  
Kurtzweil- Yes  
Pelchat- Yes

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CM 4-4-21 MOTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF PUMP

Motion by Kurtzweil, supported by Kennedy

Motion to approve the purchase of a new explosion proof Barnes submersible pump for the lift station at Colonial Acres for \$5,401.52 under line item 592-557-977

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Kurtzweil- Yes

Richards- Yes

Dilg- Yes

Kennedy- Yes

Walton- Yes

Kivell- Yes

Pelchat- Yes

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Purchase and installation of new stairs and railing for the wet well at the clean water plant including demolition of the failing and increasingly dangerous stair well which is steel and has deteriorated

Superintendent Varney stated the stairs to access the well for the clean water plant have started to fail and are in need of replacement. This is a budgeted item that can be purchased from the Capital Improvement account, 592-557-970. He stated he has met with contractors over the last several months, but only one has responded. He stated the total for labor and materials is \$27,700. He stated the current stairs are like a plastic reinforced fiberglass and there are many advantages to using the new type of stairwell. He stated it is slip resistant, corrosive resistant and its electrically and thermally non-conductive. Councilmember Dilg stated this is concerning and how safe is it and how soon can this be done. Mr. Varney stated it is pretty safe except a couple of the rungs. He further stated we are looking at 5-7 weeks until they will be installed. Councilmember Richards asked how old the current stairs are and are they steel. Mr. Varney stated they are probably the age of the plant and they are steel.

CM 4-5-21 MOTION TO APPROVE PURCHASE OF STAIRS AND RAILING

Motion by Kivell, supported by Kennedy

Motion to approve the purchase and installation of new fibergrate wet well stairs for the clean water plant for the amount of \$27,700 under line item 592-557-970

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Richards- Yes

Kurtzweil- Yes

Kennedy- Yes

Kivell- Yes

Walton- Yes

Dilg- Yes

Pelchat- Yes

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Lake Street Cruise-In 2021

Chief Sovik stated this was brought to us by Deb and Doug Cook which are the event organizers who are great to work with, on behalf of the Lake Street Cruise-in committee and they would like to host monthly cruising shows. In 2020 this event along with the Motorfest was cancelled due to COVID concerns. It seems we are slowly coming out of that. He further stated we have all the documentation except for the insurance information and we will have that shortly. He further stated they discussed the COVID 19 protocols and the road closures. This will take place on Lake street between Lafayette and Reese, from

6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. except for the last day on September 22<sup>nd</sup>, it will be from 6:00 to 9:30. He stated they passed around the application to all the department heads to see if there were any issues or concerns, and everyone signed off on it. Councilmember Dilg stated some of the houses on Lake Street will be blocked off and there were concerns in the past from the homeowners, what can we do for them. Chief Sovik stated in the past we got signatures from the homeowners, and he will go get the signatures, there haven't been issues in the past. Councilmember Dilg stated there was a woman that was very concerned because she couldn't get to her house and she sent emails to City Council. She then asked who is responsible for policing and any emergencies and things like that, such as costs. Is that something we handle or do they pursue that. Chief Sovik stated as far as policing and monitoring the situation, we handle that. We don't have to hire any additional officers, as public relations, we will go and assist with placing the barricades and we will monitor the event. Councilmember Dilg stated she knows it is difficult because she has helped with the Farmers Market several times, but is there any way to enforce the COVID protocols. Chief Sovik stated it all depends on how far we want to take it. There are so many people that are vaccinated and they are much more protected, and as long as people are trying to keep their distance, but we will try to maintain some normalcy. Councilmember Dilg asked if there will be signs about the protocols. Chief Sovik stated we can make sure there are signs. Councilmember Kivell stated he is glad this is some sort of normalcy and will take us a long way to seeing there is an end to this at some point. He further stated in the past, we made accommodations for them to park at the end of the street at Reese so everyone could get to their homes. Chief Sovik stated they also parked on the south side of Wells Street. Councilmember Kennedy stated we have sandwich board signs that can be used and there is a checklist to go through to make sure they aren't overlooked. Councilmember Richards stated during the course of this week, he would like to meet with Chief Sovik and Lisa Hamameh in view of a number of issues. He stated he read through the Department of Health and Human services order and he is very worried about a few things. He hopes we can look this over and get assurances that certain pitfalls or danger zones will be avoided.

#### CM 4-6-21 MOTION TO APPROVE LAKE STREET CRUISE-IN

Motion by Kennedy, supported by Kivell

Motion to approve the Lake Street Cruise-in application and Resolve that Lisa Deaton, City Clerk/Treasurer is hereby authorized to make application to the Road Commission for Oakland County on behalf of the City of South Lyon in the County of Oakland, Michigan for the necessary permits to conduct the Lake Street Cruise-in on May 26, June 23, August 25, and September 22, 2021 and the related road closures: Lake Street between Lafayette Street and Reese Street; N. Wells Street immediately south of the north entrance to the Wells Street Parking Lot to the alley that extends from S. Wells Street to Lafayette Street from 6:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., (except Sept. 22 – closure at 6 p.m.), and that the City of South Lyon in the County of Oakland, Michigan will faithfully fulfill all permit requirements, and shall save harmless, indemnify, defend and represent the Board against any and all claims for bodily injury or property damage, or any other claim arising out of or related to operations authorized by such permits as issued.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Dilg- Yes  
Walton- Yes  
Kivell- Yes  
Kennedy- Yes  
Kurtzweil- Yes  
Richards- Yes  
Pelchat- Yes

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Motorfest 2021

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Chief Sovik stated this event is scheduled for July 31<sup>st</sup> and Lafayette Street between Whipple and Liberty will be closed, Lake Street between Washington Street and Reese Street, and N. Wells Street immediately south of the north entrance to the Wells Street parking lot. He stated there will be COVID 19 protocols in place similar to the Lake Street Cruise-in. He also passed along the application to the Fire Department, DPW and City Hall as well, and no one had any issues. Councilmember Kivell asked if there is going to be a bandstand set up. Chief Sovik stated there will be a bandstand as well as food trucks.

CM 4-8-21 MOTION TO APPROVE MOTORFEST 2021 AND ROAD CLOSURES

Motion by Kivell, supported by Walton

Motion to approve the Motorfest application and Resolve that Lisa Deaton, City Clerk/Treasurer is hereby authorized to make application to the Road Commission for Oakland County on behalf of the City of South Lyon in the County of Oakland, Michigan for the necessary permits to conduct Motorfest on July 31, 2021 and the related road closures: Lafayette Street between Whipple St. and Liberty St., Lake Street between Washington Street and Reese Street; N. Wells Street immediately south of the north entrance to the Wells Street Parking Lot to the alley that extends from S. Wells Street to Lafayette Street from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., and that the City of South Lyon in the County of Oakland, Michigan will faithfully fulfill all permit requirements, and shall save harmless, indemnify, defend and represent the Board against any and all claims for bodily injury or property damage, or any other claim arising out of or related to operations authorized by such permits as issued.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Kivell- Yes

Walton- Yes

Kennedy- Yes

Dilg- Yes

Richards- Yes

Kurtzweil- Yes

Pelchat- Yes

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

BUDGET

City Manager Zelenak stated we will be making changes based upon the discussion held at the budget workshop last week and rerunning the sheets that are going to be changed and get them to Council in about 2 weeks.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Ryan Lare thanked Lynda from Jim Runstad's office regarding his clean up and he thanked her and it is a pleasure to serve our community and keep it beautiful. He then thanked Chief Sovik and Chief Vogel for their wonderful leadership and their command staff and all the firefighters that saved the lady's life. He stated this goes to the true testament that we have 100%, five-star top-notch public service in our community and he hasn't seen another community that matches ours.

MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Zelenak stated the Parks and Recreation Commission will be bringing their master plan that they have for McHattie Park and for the purchase of the handicap accessible equipment. He then stated we will be moving forward with our systematic means to improve our roads and looking at a couple different scenarios for funding the improvements. Councilmember Walton asked if we would consider moving the City-Wide yard sales dates due to the COVID numbers going up. She stated she knows we aren't charging for yard sale permits, but the person that asked her only has a yard sale during the city-wide weekend. City Manager Zelenak stated we have already publicized this and we have fielded hundreds of calls on this. We can't necessarily stop people from having yard sales, but that doesn't mean

Council can't constrain people from having them. Councilmember Kurtzweil stated it would be hard to tell people you can't have a yard sale, but you can go to an event downtown. She then stated she had an estate sale last year, and it was a steady stream, people social distanced and everyone wore a mask when they were on her property. People waited in their cars if there were a lot of people there. She found it to be very responsible group of individuals and you are only there for a few minutes, she doesn't see the risk, it is outside. We should move forward with the original date. Councilmember Kivell stated people have common sense, and if you don't feel people are masked enough, you don't go, and it's the same kind of thing, if you don't want to go to places that is crowded you can go somewhere more open. He then asked the City Manager is he was able to find out any information about the old library building. City Manager Zelenak stated he will try to make contact with them and keep Council updated. He then stated he knows the City Manager is the lead on this, but he feels Council is going to be approving the project so he would like to have a lot more understanding of the information that was exchanged and the price point. Councilmember Dilg asked about the people that spoke at the last meeting regarding the group home and if we have been notified by LARA. Clerk Deaton stated we have not received anything from LARA. Councilmember Kivell asked if anyone thinks we should be an obstacle. City Manager Zelenak stated the City doesn't have any control over it as long as they abide by the zoning ordinance, it is regulated through the State of Michigan. Councilmember Kivell stated his concern is we had a narrative that no one has any understanding if what was being said had any validity or not, so if anyone is coming to any kind of conclusions, he doesn't know how they are basing it on without any facts. He has a strong feeling that they don't want the distraction at the end of their drive. He doesn't want us to be a vehicle for them to decide who gets to live by them. Councilmember Kivell stated it bothers him LARA has to give notice and they haven't done so. He then stated he has been on their website a number of times, and maybe they just aren't really good at exchanging information.

#### COUNCIL COMMENTS

Councilmember Walton thanked the Police and Fire Department for taking care of our community and the woman they saved. She then thanked Ryan Lare for his clean up efforts. She then reminded everyone of the Creek Clean Up this coming Sunday.

Councilmember Richards stated the upcoming cleanup is this Sunday and he hopes for a good turnout, but Larry hasn't gotten confirmation yet. He then stated over the past few years, we targeted a few creeks that aren't in the Yerkes Drain area. He stated he inspected about 5 places and Waters Edge which is normally bad, was cleaned up and so was Colonial Acres. He also inspected by the bridge by Hungry Howie's is really bad.

Councilmember Kurtzweil thanked all the hard-working employees of the DPW for all the work they do to help the City look great. She then stated they have been trimming some of the trees that have needed trimming for 5 or 6 years. Some of the branches were huge. She then thanked them for getting the fountain running in Paul Baker Park. She thanked the DPW employees for their assistance with the enlarged free-standing frames they installed for the Cultural Arts Commission for poetry month. They are getting a great response. The DPW is our go to department when we need something done and they do such a good job. She then stated she received the Historical Society news letter and they did a great job talking about the American Flag and she encourages everyone to join to support our organizations. She thanked everyone at the Historical Society.

Councilmember Kennedy spoke about the Covid Vaccination Event that took place at Colonial Acres on March 23rd through the 25<sup>th</sup>. During that event, 766 friends, neighbors and relatives from our community were able to receive their vaccinations locally. It all began with a phone call he made to



Ready Nursing Solutions after reading an article about the service they provide at Abbey Park in conjunction with the Oakland County Health Division. He stated he asked if they would hold a similar event for the residents at Colonial Acres. A representative met Sue Brock and himself at the location, verified it was appropriate and said “we’ll give you three days, you run it and organize it and we will pass out the shots.” He then recognized all of the folks who made this possible. Many of the people actually volunteered for multiple assignments in order to make this a reality. He then thanked the staff of Ready Nursing Solutions for their professionalism, kindness and hard work during the event. He then recognized the volunteers who delivered the flyers announcing the event to almost 1,000 residents in Colonial Acres. This group of volunteers included Alice Schmitter, Nancy Ward, Christine McNally, Frank Severn, Peggy Booker, Gary Kibler, Stephen Kennedy, Sarah Kennedy, Julie Kennedy, Bill Charles, City Manager Paul Zelenak, DDA Director Nate Mack, Evelyn Lawrence from the Water Dept., Carol Brandon from City Hall, County Commissioner Phil Weipert and Pam Weipert, Council Member Glenn Kivell and Cindy Kivell and Mayor Dan Pelchat and Meredith Pelchat. After the folks in Colonial Acres had registered, we contacted Carrie Cavanaugh at the South Lyon Center for Active Adults in order to expand registration to other members of the community. She brought in volunteers to staff a call center and contacted folks to sign them up. He also recognized the efforts of Carrie Cavanaugh, Interim Director at the Senior Center and her volunteers: Rita Allen, Cathy Campbell, Judy Crist, Sally Kinney, Sharon Loftus, Gail MacDonald, Jo Rygiel, Joan Shiffered and Sue Tolonen for their efforts. They not only signed up the folks for the event but also recorded their information so they could be registered online later. Over at the Colonial Acres Clubhouse for Phases I-IV another group of volunteers was collecting the forms from residents that did not have access to a computer and couldn’t register online. This group of volunteers was led by Denise Marie and included Deanna Norwood, Alice Schmitter and Anna Redmon. The information that was collected at the clubhouse and the Senior Center was provided to another volunteer, Julie Kennedy, who entered the information and registered all of those individuals online. During this same period we had another group of volunteers reaching out into the neighborhoods and surrounding areas to sign up folks so that no appointment time slot was left unfilled. This group of volunteers included Council Member Lisa Dilg, Council Member Glenn Kivell, Mayor Dan Pelchat, County Commissioner Phil Weipert, as well as myself. Once the vaccination event began on March 23<sup>rd</sup>, groups of volunteers staffed the event on various shifts throughout the 3-day event. This group of volunteers included Mike Flores, Deanna Norwood, Jayne Giordano, Mike Giodano, Denise Marie, Nancy Ward, Judy Keeling, Mary Podsaid, Gary Kibler, Alice Smmitter, Laura Meyers, John McGraw, Jackie Betke, Jane Severn, Karen Vassel, Bill Aldinger, Gail Newman, Jill Gardner, Connie Williams, Donna Tilley, Gloria Poirier, Katy Kay, Marge Stefanski, Barb Kibler, Anna Redmon, Cathy Stergowski Jim Reushlein, Stacey Klabak, Freya Derry, Janice Broniak, Peggy Booker, Janice Larys and Dorothy Brownlee. Councilmember Kennedy then recognized two additional volunteers. The first is George Birchmeier who managed the flow of people, in and out, of the building for three straight days as well as managed the flow of cars in and out of the parking lot during that same period. He then recognized Sue Brock. Sue volunteered to take on the huge task of taking the hundreds of phone calls and scheduling the appointments for all of those who wanted to be vaccinated. She also recruited many of the volunteers that were mentioned tonight and oversaw their efforts during that 3-day event. He then recognized those folks in our community who provided lunch for the nurses and volunteers during that three-day period: This includes Jamie Gilbert for purchasing, and Corry Bala from the South Lyon Hotel for providing and delivering lunch one day; Rae and Matt Klaus for purchasing and providing lunch on another day, and finally an Anonymous donor who purchased lunch and Mike Carano and the Corner Social for providing and delivering it as well. Again, at the end of the three days, 766 friends, neighbors and relatives from our community were able to receive their vaccinations locally. Not one time slot was wasted; and when the nurses were running ahead of schedule he contacted additional folks from the waiting list and was able to add them to the schedule as well. At the end of the three days, not one vaccination shot was

wasted. He then apologized for taking a bit more time this evening for my council comments than usual, but he felt it was important to recognize all of the individuals who made this possible, the majority of whom are residents of this city. It was an extremely successful community event and it truly makes him proud to call this community home.

Councilmember Kivell stated the whole event was fantastic, and he asked if the Senior Center will be having a similar event. Councilmember Kennedy stated they need the approval of 7 or 8 people to use that building and he doesn't believe she has that yet. Councilmember Kivell stated there are still a lot of people are still trying to get the vaccine. He stated Councilmember Kennedy did a great job with the event. He then stated he is looking forward to seeing everyone out and it is fun walking around right now with spring in the air, and the weather is turning and everything is budding up. He then stated we are seeing a lot more activity outside and COVID has definitely ruined a lot of our good times, but tomorrow is going to be terrific and everyone will get through this and making themselves whole and more.

Councilmember Dilg stated we do a lot of stuff on Council that keep the lights on and might seem boring to people but there aren't many opportunities to make a huge difference in our community, and she thanked Councilmember Kennedy for stepping up and making that happen. She stated she felt good helping with the appointments and people called and thanked her for helping them get into the event. She then stated she has been walking around town and enjoying the poetry around town. She then stated our library and her company do the same thing. When the dam failures happened last year in Midland, the Wendover High School Library was wiped out and they lost everything. Wendover is a specialized high school that accommodates teens who experience homelessness, abuse and neglect. They asked for donations and our library stepped up and donated so many books and delivered them.

Mayor Pelchat stated it is an honor to be able to serve this community and with the other Councilmembers and an honor to work with our first responders, DPW and they are all great people and they are a great part of our community. He then encouraged everyone to get outside and try to get active and we have to keep up the fight, it is going to take a team effort to put this virus down.

#### ADJOURNMENT

#### CM 4-9-21 MOTION TO ADJOURN

Motion by Kurtzweil, supported by Walton

Motion to adjourn meeting at 9:03 p.m.

VOTE:

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

VOTE:

Respectfully submitted,



Dan Pelchat, Mayor

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



Lisa Deaton, City Clerk



## **SOUTH LYON FIRE DEPARTMENT**

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### **Woman revived by South Lyon Police and Firefighters**

On March 24th at approximately 6:00PM, South Lyon Firefighters and Police were dispatched to the 1100 block of Polo Drive to investigate an unresponsive 59-year-old female that was not breathing. Upon arrival, South Lyon Police Officers located the individual on the ground and quickly determined she was not breathing and were unable to find a pulse. Officers immediately began rendering lifesaving measures which included CPR, venting, and deploying an AED. Officers administered one shock with the AED. Firefighters along with Huron Valley Ambulance personnel quickly applied a Lucas chest-compression-device and continued CPR. Within minutes, the victim's pulse was restored and she began breathing on her own. HVA along with South Lyon firefighters transported the woman to a local hospital.

Since the incident occurred, the individual has been released from the hospital and is recovering at home.

Tonight, we recognize South Lyon Police Officers Sergeant Baker, Officer Tomanek, and Officer Walton along with South Lyon Firefighters Deputy Chief Weir, Lieutenant Conrad, Firefighter Hopkins, and Firefighter Shipley for their quick response and heroic actions.