

FARMINGTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 16, 2010

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on Monday, August 16, 2010, in Council Chambers, 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1976.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. by Mayor Buck.

**PRESENT:** Buck, Knol, McShane, Wiggins, Wright.

**ABSENT:** None.

**CITY ADMINISTRATION:** Director Gushman, City Clerk Halberstadt, Director Schulz, Attorney Schultz, Treasurer Weber.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**08-10-152** MOTION by Wright, seconded by Wright, to approve the consent agenda as presented:

- A. Approve Special Meeting Minutes of June 7, 2010
- B. Approve Joint Meeting Minutes of June 29, 2010
- C. Approve Regular Meeting Minutes of July 12, 2010
- D. Approve Farmington Monthly Payments Report, June 2010
- E. Approve Farmington Monthly Payments Report, July 2010
- F. Approve Building Department 4th Quarter Report - April through June 2010
- G. Approve Department of Public Works and Water Sewer Department 4th Quarter Report - April through June 2010
- H. Approve Monthly Public Safety Report - July 2010
- I. Special Event Request - 911 Memorial Service
- J. Consideration to Approve Greater Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce Annual Membership

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA**

**08-10-153** MOTION by Wiggins, seconded by Knol, to approve the agenda as amended by adding item 7-G, Michigan Municipal Risk Management Authority (MMRMA) Correspondence. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**FARMINGTON RUN FOR THE HILLS - ED ANDERSON**

Ed Anderson explained the preparations for the upcoming "Run for the Hills" race scheduled for Saturday, August 21, 2010 in Shiawassee Park. He expected 350 runners and stated all proceeds will go to the Special Olympics.

**PUBLIC SAFETY TIP FOR THE MONTH**

Interim Director Bob Schultz presented the Public Safety Tip of the Month by reminding everyone to update school-aged children's emergency contact cards and review emergency procedures with families.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

No unfinished business was heard.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION TO ACCEPT OAKLAND COUNTY WEST NILE GRANT**

Responding to a question from Wiggins, Weber confirmed the correct amount of the reimbursement request is \$1,953.60.

**RESOLUTION 08-10-154** Motion by Wiggins, seconded by Knol to adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to submit a reimbursement request to Oakland County in the amount of \$1,953.60 under the West Nile Virus Fund Program. **[SEE ATTACHED RESOLUTION].**

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Knol, McShane, Wiggins, Wright, Buck.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY.

**CONSIDERATION TO ALLOW THE CITY TREASURER TO ENTER INTO THE OAKLAND COUNTY LOCAL INVESTMENT POOL AND TO SIGN THE INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO AGREEMENT**

Responding to a question from Wright, Weber stated pooling of certain funds allows for a higher rate of return. He further stated the higher yield is due to longer term investments. He confirmed it would not be possible to achieve the same long term investments with the City's current investment vehicles due to their current structure. Weber further responded that the pooled fund is not FDIC insured. He indicated the logic behind choosing the pool and further discussion was held.

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**RESOLUTION 08-10-155** Motion by McShane, seconded by Knol, to adopt a resolution authorizing the City Treasurer to enter into the Oakland County Local Investment Pool and to sign the Investment Portfolio Agreement on behalf of the City. [SEE ATTACHED RESOLUTION AND AGREEMENT].

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: McShane, Wiggins, Buck, Knol.

Nays: Wright.

Absent: None.

MOTION PASSED.

**CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE 2010 LICENSE FOR ABC CAB COMPANY**

Responding to a question from McShane, Schulz responded there have been no accidents reported to the City by ABC Cab Company.

Halberstadt responded to inquiry from Wiggins that there is a per vehicle fee for each license.

Wright pointed out the make and model of vehicles involved and inquired as to why only one cab company is servicing City.

**08-10-156** MOTION BY Knol, seconded by Wiggins, to approve ten (10) 2010 cab licenses for the ABC Cab Company. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**CONSIDERATION TO AWARD PARKING LOT PAVING PROJECTS TO NAGLE PAVING COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,530.**

Wright asked if consideration was given to restriping the parking lots to promote better traffic flow. Gushman responded that repaving is a temporary fix and there are future plans to reconfigure City Hall and Library parking lots. He further responded the expected life cycle of the repaving project is 7-10 years. He confirmed any improvements would be postponed 5-7 years.

Knol asked if a study had been already complete on the configuration of the parking lots in order to increase traffic flow and number of parking spaces. Gushman responded the Traffic and Safety Board had developed a conceptual plan for those lots. He stated it would be very costly to repair and reconstruct them.

McShane indicated safety and welfare of residents should be given priority and it is prudent to act now.

Wright indicated permanent repairs should be done sooner than later, i.e. 3-5 years out.

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**RESOLUTION 08-10-157** Motion by Wiggins, seconded by McShane, to award a Parking Lot Paving Contract to the low bidder, Nagle Paving Company, Novi, Michigan, in the amount of \$50,530.00 to pave Farmington City Hall and Farmington Library parking lots and the drive west of 33245 Grand River.

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Wiggins, Wright, Buck, Knol, McShane.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION TO PLACE CHARTER AMENDMENT PROPOSALS ON THE NOVEMBER 2010 GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT.**

**RESOLUTION 08-10-158** Motion by Knol, seconded by Wiggins, to adopt a resolution placing two Charter Amendment proposals on the November 2010 General Election Ballot. [\[SEE ATTACHED RESOLUTION\]](#).

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Wright, Buck, Knol, McShane, Wiggins.  
Nays: None.  
Absent: None.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**BOARD AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

McShane reviewed Kim Everett's qualifications for serving on the Beautification Committee and recommended her appointment.

**Beautification Committee**

**08-10-159** MOTION by McShane, seconded by Wright, to appoint Kim Thompson Everett to the Beautification Committee for a three-year term ending July 30, 2013. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**Farmington Community Library Board of Directors**

McShane stated David Judge has the necessary qualifications for appointment to the Library Board and would serve in a prudent and positive manner. Knol noted Mr. Judge has extensive experience in working with nonprofit organizations.

**08-10-160** MOTION by Knol, seconded by Wiggins, to appoint David Judge to the Farmington Community Library Board of Directors for a four-year term ending July 30, 2014. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

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**MMRMA CORRESPONDENCE**

**08-10-161** MOTION by Wiggins, seconded by McShane, to authorize City Manager Pastue to act as discussed in Closed Session. MOTION CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Hank Borgman, 34011 Grand River, spoke about the importance of freedom of speech.

**COUNCIL COMMENT**

McShane commented that the Van Tour should be scheduled mid September to early October, making it a priority.

McShane indicated local artist, J.D. Boychuk, has offered to place one of his sculptures in the City of Farmington.

Mayor Buck thanked Clerk Halberstadt and her team for their efforts in conducting the recent primary election. He noted an average 36% turnout in Farmington which was outstanding for an August election.

Mayor Buck recommended Mr. Borgman check the work of Victor Davis Hanson, "America Alone", which contains statistics in population trends.

McShane congratulated City Attorney Schulz on winning an award as a "Distinguished Municipal Attorney." The award will be presented at a meeting of the Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys scheduled for September 21<sup>st</sup> at the Dearborn Hyatt Regency.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**08-10-162** MOTION by Knol, seconded by Wiggins, to adjourn the meeting. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

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J.T. (Tom) Buck, Mayor

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Susan K. Halberstadt, City Clerk

APPROVED: September 20, 2010