July 22, 2019

Mayor Jenkins opened the regular meeting of the Gaylord City Council with a prayer by Council Member Sharrard at 7:00pm on Monday July 22nd, 2019, in the City Council Chambers, located in the Gaylord City Hall, 305 East Main Street, Gaylord, Michigan. The Pledge of Allegiance followed the invocation.

Members Present: Wishart, Jenkins, Johnson, Ouellette, Sharrard, and Witt.

Members Absent: Hartz.

Motion by Ouellette, supported by Witt to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the July 8th meeting and accept them as presented.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Sharrard, supported by Ouellette to excuse Steve Hartz from tonight's meeting.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Public Comment: Mr. Mark Hansen, 615 West Sheldon Street, asked if there was anything council could do to restrict fireworks usage in the City.

Motion by Sharrard, supported by Wishart to allow the usage of the City Hall parking lot and adjacent green space for Business After Hours on August 21st, 2019 (after minutes were approved it was learned that the actual date for the event was August 14th, 2019) with the contingency that the green space is used for games; there is no alcohol allowed on the property and any damages will be repaired at the user's expense.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Mr. Joshua Covert, Attorney at Law, gave the Council an update on LARA rules and regulations for recreational marijuana.

Motion by Wishart, supported by Ouellette to approve the appointment of Kim Awrey as the City's Representative to the Otsego County Economic Alliance Board of Directors when Joe Duff's term ends.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Mayor Jenkins formed an Ad Hoc SANE Committee with the appointments of Council Members Ouellette, Sharrard and Wishart. The committee will also consist of City Manager Duff, Assistant City Manager Awrey and Chief Claeys.

The purchase of a new loader was tabled until next meeting in order to review an additional bid from Michigan CAT that were not provided to City Council or Staff.

No other business was presented and the meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Kim Awrey, City Clerk

John Jenkins, Mayor