

April 10, 2023

Mayor Sharrard opened the regular meeting of the Gaylord City Council with a prayer by Councilmember Awrey at 7:00pm on Monday, April 10, 2023. The Pledge of Allegiance followed the invocation. The meeting was held in the City Council Chambers, located at City Hall, 305 East Main Street, Gaylord, Michigan.

Members Present: Sharrard, Awrey, Ouellette, Hartz, Ryan, and Witt.

Motion by Witt, supported by Hartz to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the March 27, 2023 meeting and accept them as presented.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

A public hearing regarding the proposed changes of the marihuana ordinance opened at 7:01p.m.

Representatives from 517 Golf gave an update on security, parking and emergency services regarding the golf outing. Their objective is to work with the council and the township.

The following citizens offered comments:

R. Smith, K. Connell, K. Catt, E. Templeton, L. Hewitt, K. Richter, G. Vollmer, M. Wright spoke regarding the golf outing.

R. Nobel of Lume, spoke regarding the benefits of cannabis.

C. Gibson, C. Muzyl, L. Correll, A. Correll and T. Beller spoke regarding the marihuana ordinance.

The public hearing closed at 8:42p.m.

Motion by Witt, supported by Ouellette to excuse councilmember Wilson from tonight's meeting.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Public Comment:

C. Muzyl, F. Mazella and R. Wojan spoke regarding the Rental Housing Ordinance.

Unfinished Business:

Motion by Hartz, supported by Awrey to approve the Alpen Bluffs RV Resort's request for the use of the existing, private water well for irrigation.

A roll call vote was taken:

Awrey: Aye

Ouellette: Nay

Hartz: Aye

Ryan: Nay

Witt: Aye

Sharrard: Aye

Ayes: 4 Nays: 2 Absent: 1 Motion Carried.

Motion by Awrey, supported by Ouellette to approve the Rental Housing Application and following Resolution as written.

The City of Gaylord has passed an ordinance regulating rental properties in the City known as the City of Gaylord Rental Housing Ordinance;

The City's Rental Housing Ordinance at Section 4(2) requires the City Council to establish, by resolution, the initial application fee and renewal fee for each rental; and

The City's Rental Housing Ordinance at Section 7(2) allows the City Council to limit, by resolution, the number of short-term rentals permitted in the City; and

The City Council has reviewed the application process, the enforcement burden, and the administrative burden on City Police and City Staff in determining the initial application fee and renewal fee; and

The City Council has heard public comment, has considered the safety and general welfare of the City's residents;

IT IS RESOLVED:

1. The initial application fee and renewal fee for each rental housing license in the City of Gaylord, regardless of type, is **\$25.00** for the first rental property without regard to the number of dwelling units. There is no charge for additional rental properties owned by the same owner if the owner already holds a valid rental housing license in the City. The fee is non-refundable.
2. Subject to all terms of the Rental Housing Ordinance and further action by City Council, there is no limit on the number of short-term rentals that may be operated within the City of Gaylord.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

New Business:

Motion by Ouellette, supported by Hartz to approve the first reading of the Marihuana Ordinance to amend only section 10 and not amend the ordinance to allow temporary events.

A roll call vote was taken:

Witt: Nay
Ryan: Aye
Hartz: Aye
Ouellette: Aye
Awrey: Nay
Sharrard: Aye

Ayes: 4 Nays: 2 Absent: 1 Motion Carried.

Motion by Ouellette, supported by Witt to approve the following resolution for HB 5054 of 2022:

WHEREAS, City of Gaylord has taken financially difficult steps to stabilize its pension program and get its pension costs and liabilities under control; and

WHEREAS these steps followed best practices established by the State of Michigan and kept City of Gaylord operationally viable in the face of enormous financial pressure; and

WHEREAS, HB 5054 of 2022 would have divided \$250 million between City of Gaylord, and other communities like it, that made the tough decisions and followed those best practices; and

WHEREAS, City of Gaylord and others like it are ineligible for \$750 million in pension relief allocated by the State in 2022 despite experiencing the same pension-related financial stresses as those who will receive that relief; and

WHEREAS, these stresses have been amplified by market losses in 2022 and a volatile market in 2023; and

WHEREAS, this \$250 million would have immeasurable impact on our ability to address our pension liabilities, maintain employment levels, and provide the services our taxpayers depend upon; and

WHEREAS, both the \$750 million allocated and the \$250 million requested here had broad, bipartisan support in the House a year ago; and

WHEREAS, HB 5054 created an equitable balance between those with pensions the House considered substantially underfunded and those who had followed best practices to achieve a higher funding ratio; and

WHEREAS, unallocated revenues are available to the State in 2023 to again make this pension assistance equitable by helping those communities struggling with pension costs, but ineligible for the \$750 million;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, (the city council of the City of Gaylord) asks the State of Michigan Legislature and Governor's Office to revisit HB 5054; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislature and Governor give bipartisan support to the inclusion of the \$250 million in the 2023 State budget to be divided between communities including (local government unit) that meet the best practices required in that Bill.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hartz, supported by Witt to approve the reinstatement of Exclusive Brand's Marihuana License.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Witt, supported by Ouellette to approve the Social District Permit Application from Hamina Good Time, LLC (Karma Taproom – 138 W. Main Street).

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hartz, supported by Witt to approve the Café Permit from Hamina Good Time, LLC (Karma Taproom, 138 W. Main) with the following conditions: (1) submit a new drawing, and (2) obtain zoning administrators approval.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hartz, supported by Ouellette to approve the second reading of the Great Lakes Energy Franchise Ordinance.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Witt, supported by Ryan to approve the Solicitors Permit Application for the American Legion Post 458 of Gaylord to sell poppies at Walmart, Family Fare and Jays, May 11th, 12th and 13, 2023 from 8:00am to 8:00pm.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hartz, supported by Witt to approve the following expenditures for April in the amount of \$188,068.53:

VENDOR	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
24/7	PLUGGED SEWER - 304 GRANDVIEW DRIVE	\$485.00
87-A DISTRICT COURT	MSP LEIN JAN-MARC	\$607.50
ADVANCE ELECTRIC INC.	DPW SHOP SUPPLIES	\$411.03
AIRGAS USA LLC	DPW SHOP	\$10.24
ALRO STEEL	MOTOR POOL #4751	\$320.64
KIM AWREY	VEHICLE ALLOWANCE	\$500.00
AXON ENTERPRISES, INC.	CARTRIDGES	\$960.00
BADGER METER INC.	WATER DEPT METERS	\$588.66
BSB COMMUNICATIONS	MIVoice BUSINESS INSTALL	\$4,249.48
BUSINESS RADIO LICENSING	FCC LICENSE APP - MODIFY WIDEBAND	\$50.00
C2AE	GAYLORD 2023 STREETS PROJECT	\$11,500.00
CARLSON - DIMOND & WRIGHT INC.	WWTP - REPAIR GORMAN RUPP PUMP	\$1,391.00
CENTURY LINK	PD MONITORING	\$0.52
CHOICE PUBLICATIONS	PUBLISHING	\$26.40
CITY OF GAYLORD	DDA BATHROOMS	\$40.65
CITY OF GAYLORD	CITY HALL	\$64.70
CITY OF GAYLORD	DPW	\$82.26
COMPASS MINERALS AMERICA	SALT	\$22,918.17
CONSUMERS ENERGY	DPW POLE BARN/EV CHARGING STATION	\$156.90
CONSUMERS ENERGY	DPW	\$487.91
CONSUMERS ENERGY	FAIRVIEW WATER TOWER	\$47.25
CONSUMERS ENERGY	CITY HALL	\$2,208.24
CONSUMERS ENERGY	N HAZEL WATER WELL	\$759.70
CONSUMERS ENERGY	N OTSEGO WATER WELL	\$1,491.17
CONSUMERS ENERGY	FAIRVIEW CEMETERY	\$61.05
CONSUMERS ENERGY	PAVILION	\$28.81
CONSUMERS ENERGY	PAVILION	\$241.96
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CONSUMERS ENERGY	FREEL PARK	\$32.94
CONSUMERS ENERGY	ASPEN PARK	\$99.55
CONSUMERS ENERGY	DDA BATHROOMS	\$699.68
CONSUMERS ENERGY	WWTP	\$12,767.69

CONSUMERS ENERGY	STREET LIGHTS	\$383.79
CONSUMERS ENERGY	HALE PARK	\$49.17
CONSUMERS ENERGY	WATER DEPT BUILDING	\$34.30
CONSUMERS ENERGY	LIFT STATION	\$223.66
CONSUMERS ENERGY	EDELWEISS IRRIGATION	\$243.07
CONSUMERS ENERGY	STREET LIGHTS	\$1,715.59
CONSUMERS ENERGY	STREET LIGHTS	\$279.07
CONSUMERS ENERGY	STREET LIGHTS	\$75.32
CONSUMERS ENERGY	STREET LIGHTS	\$187.02
CONSUMERS ENERGY	DOUMAS PARK	\$28.81
CONSUMERS ENERGY	DOUMAS PARK	\$33.34
CONSUMERS ENERGY	STREET LIGHTS	\$291.89
CONSUMERS ENERGY	TRAFFIC LIGHTS	-\$1.98
CONSUMERS ENERGY	LED LIGHTS ROAD	\$1,890.28
CONSUMERS ENERGY	N OHIO WATER WELL	\$914.79
CONSUMERS ENERGY	DICKERSON LIFT STATION	\$268.11
CONSUMERS ENERGY	INDUSTRIAL PARK ENTRANCE	\$91.42
CONSUMERS ENERGY	MILLBOCKER LIFT STATION	\$677.90
CONSUMERS ENERGY	WISCONSIN WATER TOWER	\$125.41
CONSUMERS ENERGY	DICKERSON WATER WELL	\$3,211.32
CONSUMERS ENERGY	EV CHARGING STATIONS	\$100.57
CROSSROADS INDUSTRIES INC	ABSENT VOTER APP MAILING	\$1,316.47
CUMMINS SALES AND SERVICE	WWTP/PUMP STATIONS	\$1,253.74
DONS TRACTOR & EQUIP SALES	MOTOR POOL #4101	\$2,005.48
DORNBOS SIGN & SAFETY INC.	LOCAL SIGNS	\$1,196.75
DTE	PAVILION	\$50.06
DTE	DPW	\$2,096.11
DTE	DPW POLE BARN	\$156.17
DTE	CENTER WELL HOUSE	\$81.20
DTE	WWTP	\$1,574.90
DTE	WATER WELL	\$217.19
DTE	CITY HALL	\$1,253.19
DTE	MCVANNEL LIFT STATION	\$53.17
DTE	MEIJER LIFT STATION	-\$20.80
DTE	DICKERSON LIFT STATION	\$29.55
ELHORN ENGINEERING CO	WELL CHEMICALS	\$6,654.87
ENERCO CORP	WATER DEPT (CONTRACT SERVICES)	\$700.00
FASTENAL COMPANY	DPW SHOP SUPPLIES	\$25.90
FEDERAL FLUID POWER	MOTOR POOL	\$233.18
FIRST NATIONAL BANKCARD	CITY DEPARTMENTS	\$484.80
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FORD MOTOR CREDIT	GMC TERRAIN LEASE #6003007	\$613.32
FOSTER SWIFT	TAX TRIBUNAL ATTORNEY	\$963.50
FRONTIER	CITY HALL PHONES/LIFT STATION PHONES	\$918.48
FRONTIER	LIFT STATION TELEPHONES	\$39.26
FRONTIER	LIFT STATION TELEPHONES	\$73.10

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FRONTIER	DPW PHONE	\$30.16
GATEHOUSE MEDIA	PUBLISHING	\$232.94
GFL	CITY HALL SANITATION	\$173.66
GILL-ROY'S COMPLETE HARDWARE	MP/DPW/WATER/WWTP/CITY HALL	\$216.68
GLOBAL INDUSTRIAL	PD - ROOM KIT FOR FILE ROOM	\$2,306.40
GRAHAM ELECTRIC CO	WWTP - TOSHIBA UNIT	\$1,071.24
GREAT LAKES ENERGY	M32 W LIFT STATION	\$426.00
GREAT LAKES ENERGY	S OTSEGO LIFT STATION	\$328.00
GREAT LAKES ENERGY	M32 E HIDDEN VALLEY LIFT STATION	\$301.00
GREAT LAKES ENERGY	STREET LIGHTS	\$11.85
GREAT LAKES ENERGY	STREET LIGHTS	\$624.00
GREAT LAKES ENERGY	COTTONTAIL LIFT STATION	\$92.38
GREAT LAKES ENERGY	COTTONTAIL LIGHTS/IRRIGATION	\$175.01
GREAT LAKES ENERGY	M32 E WOODS LIFT STATION	\$233.00
GREAT LAKES ENERGY	MEIJER LIFT STATION	\$234.83
TRAVIS HEWITT	CITY HALL CLEANING	\$1,100.00
HUTSON, INC	MOTOR POOL # 4499	\$343.03
INTEGRATED CONTROLS INC.	MONTHLY SCADA - MARCH	\$156.00
JACK DOHENY COMPANIES, INC.	MOTOR POOLL #5114	\$2,202.91
JIM'S ALPINE AUTOMOTIVE	MOTOR POOL/DPW/PD	\$854.14
TAYLOR JOHNSON	REIMBURSEMENT FUEL/PAD LOCK	\$44.79
JOHNSON OIL COMPANY	PD/DPW FUEL	\$9,035.74
JW MARRIOTT GRAND RAPIDS	ENERGY SUMMIT - OUELLETTE ATTENDING	\$114.00
KCI	ASSESSMENT NOTICES MAILING	\$537.45
KIRKPATRICK DUBOIS & SLOUGH PLC	CITY ATTORNEY FEES	\$5,124.00
LAWSON PRODUCTS	DPW SHOP SUPPLIES	\$1,353.20
LEAF	DPW COPIER	\$65.08
LOWES	PD SUPPLIES	\$81.67
MAKE IT MINE DESIGN	PD SHIRTS	\$156.00
RICHARD MANUSZAK	MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT -MRWA CONF	\$83.75
MARCOR TECHNOLOGIES	MICROSOFT 365	\$75.00
MEIJER INC	REIMBURSEMENT FRONTAGE FEES	\$45,219.12
MID NORTH PRINTING	PD BUSINESS CARDS	\$250.50
MID-STATES BOLT & SCREW CO.	DPW SHOP SUPPLIES	\$61.72
JENNIFER MOLSKI	MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT - INSTITUTE	\$133.62
NEW CENTURY SIGNS	SIGNS/DECAL FOR MAJOR AND PARKING	\$560.00
LUCAS NOGUELIRA	\$ RETURNED - FRAUD	\$935.00
NORTHERN INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY	WWTP - HELICAL GEARBOX	\$10,961.11
NORTHERN ENERGY INC	HDMO DELO	\$146.04
OPERATIONS SERVICES INC	WATER SYSTEM OVERSIGHT/CONSULT	\$300.00
OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY	ELEVATOR SERVICE CONTRACT	\$2,449.68
OTSEGO COUNTY	CITY HALL INTERNET	\$75.00
RYAN PRAY	EFC/DI TRAINING - MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT	\$303.27
PRODUCTIVITY PLUS ACCOUNT	MOTOR POOL	\$2,498.07

PURCHASE POWER	CITY HALL POSTAGE	\$822.75
PURITY CYLINDER GASES INC	DPW SHOP	\$106.67
SCIENTIFIC	MOTOR POOL/DPW SHOP	\$230.40
SHRED-IT	CITY HALL SHREDDING SERVICES	\$104.65
SPARTAN SEWER	ASPEN PARK POLY JOHN - MARCH	\$265.00
SPECTRUM	WATER FILL STATION	\$119.98
SPECTRUM	CITY HALL	\$124.88
SPECTRUM	ELK PARK	\$137.97
SPECTRUM	WWTP	\$159.98
SPECTRUM	DPW	\$175.34
STATE OF MICHIGAN	COMPOST SITE REGISTRATION	\$600.00
STATE OF MICHIGAN	MUNICIPAL PLATE FEE (13)	\$650.00
STATE OF MICHIGAN	WATER - GROUNDWATER DISCHARGE FEE	\$246.42
STINGER WELDING LLC	WWTP - WELDING PUMP CAP	\$200.00
SUMMIT FIRE PROTECTION	FIRE EXTINGUISHER INSPECTION	\$596.60
TELNET WORLDWIDE	CITY HALL PHONES	\$174.49
UNIFIRST CORPORATION	DPW/UNIFORMS/CITY HALL	\$930.28
UNIQUE PAVING MATERIALS	COLD PATCH	\$1,209.02
USA BLUEBOOK	WWTP SUPPLIES	\$4,038.94
USDA	Class C EXHIBITOR APP FOR LICENSE	\$120.00
US BANK EQUIPMENT FINANCE	PD COPIER	\$411.58
VERIZON	PD/HYDRANT MONITORING	\$320.46
VISUAL EDGE IT, INC.	PD PAPER	\$467.91
WASH-N-GO MANAGEMENT INC	PD VEHICLE MAINTENANCE	\$192.00
JIM WERNIG INC.	MOTOR POOL #1548	\$113.77
WILBER AUTOMOTIVE	DPW SHOP/MOTOR POOL SUPPLIES	\$375.42
WILK WIRING	PD VEHICLES UPFIT/MAINTENANCE	\$5,626.83
WOLVERINE POWER SYSTEMS	WWTP/PUMP STATIONS	\$3,469.50

No other business was presented and the meeting was adjourned at 8:58pm.

Jennifer Molski, City Clerk

Todd Sharrard, Mayor