April 24, 2023

Mayor Sharrard opened the regular meeting of the Gaylord City Council with a prayer by Councilmember Ouellette at 7:00pm on Monday, April 24, 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, Wilson, Awrey, Ouellette, Hartz, Ryan, and Witt.

Motion by Hartz, supported by Witt to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the April 10, 2023 meeting and accept them as presented.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Public Comment:

- T. Corser, CEO of 517 Golf spoke regarding the golf outing and change of marihuana ordinance to allow cannabis at their event.
- P. Beachnau, Gaylord Tourism Bureau, offered his support of the golf event and allowing the use of marihuana at the event.
- K. Connell, K. Catt, E. Templeton, D. Libka, T. McMichael, L. Correll spoke regarding the golf event.
- S. Beller and H. Tulgetske spoke regarding the golf event and the difference between alcohol and cannabis consumption.
- G. Vollmer owner of the Otsego Resort, spoke regarding the golf event and his support of allowing cannabis at the event. He also stated the event will have positive impacts on local businesses.

New Business:

Motion by Ouellette, supported by Ryan to approve the second reading of the Marihuana Ordinance amending only section 10.

A roll call vote was taken:

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

Ayes: 5 Nays: 2 Absent: 0 Motion Carried.

Motion by Witt, supported by Ouellette to approve the Timeline for the 2023/2024 Budget Cycle.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Hartz, supported by Wilson to approve the variance request for JVM Real Estate, 2325 Grey Wolf Pkwy.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Witt, supported by Wilson to approve the Café Permit for El Patron Grill.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Wilson, supported by Hartz to approve the Café Permit for Mary's Stein Haus and Abi's Bistro, contingent upon the following: (1) submit a drawing, (2) obtain zoning administrator's approval and (3) comply with ADA requirements for the sidewalk.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Ouellette, supported by Witt to approve the road closure request for the Memorial Day Parade.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Awrey, supported by Witt to approve the Arbor Day Proclamation

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

No other business was presented and the meeting was adjourned at 7:59pm.

Jennifer Molski, City Clerk

Todd Sharrard, Mayor