October 23, 2023

Mayor Sharrard opened the regular meeting of the Gaylord City Council with a prayer by Councilmember Ouellette at 7:00pm on Monday, October 23, 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, Ouellette, Awrey, Ryan and Witt.

Motion by Witt, supported by Ouellette to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the October 9, 2023 meeting and accept them with two corrections. (prayer was offered by Councilmember Awrey and Councilmember Ryan was absent from the meeting)

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

A public hearing regarding a Non-Use Variance at 2309 Grey Wolf Trail opened at 7:01PM. No public comments were received. The hearing closed at 7:11PM.

A public hearing regarding the Street Millage Renewal opened at 7:01PM. City Manager Awrey gave a brief overview. The millage renewal will be on the ballot for the November 7th Election. No public comments were received. The hearing closed at 7:11PM.

Motion by Awrey, supported by Witt to excuse councilmembers Wilson and Hartz from tonight's meeting.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Public Comment:

Andy Francis spoke regarding a letter of concern he wrote regarding the downtown bathrooms near the pavilion and bridge cards not being accepted at the farmer's market.

New Business:

Motion by Witt, supported by Ryan to approve the Non-Use Variance Request at 2309 Grey Wolf Trail.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Witt, supported by Ouellette to approve the License for Use of Pavilion from The Pavilion Market, LLC.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Witt, supported by Ryan to approve the Request to Close M32 for the Santa Parade on November 25, 2023. Two lanes from Indiana to Center will be blocked off and the parade is scheduled from 5:15PM to 6:00PM.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Witt, supported by Ryan to approve the Extension of Development Agreement for Joe Scott with the following terms/conditions: (1) reimburse the City of Gaylord for the incurred engineering fees of \$5,156.76 and (2) the agreement is for 18 months.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

There was no motion necessary for the request to amend the condition of the special use permit for Sindicate Tattoo.

Motion by Witt, supported by Awrey to approve the Proposal for Professional Services from C2AE for the design, bidding and construction for Elkview Park.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Awrey, supported by Witt to approve the First Amendment to Purchase and Sale Contract from AMS Land Acquisitions, LLC.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

The approval of the Communications Cabinet in Right-Of-Way on S. Elm Street from ACD.net was tabled to the next meeting.

Motion by Witt, supported by Ouellette to approve the RFP for Professional Photography Services. Only one bid was received and awarded to Awrey Films in the amount of \$6,200.00. Councilmember Awrey abstained from voting.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion Carried.

Motion by Witt, supported by Ryan to approve the following SPARK Grant Acceptance Resolution:

"RESOLVED, that the City of Gaylord, Michigan, does hereby accept the terms of the Agreement as received from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources, and that the City of Gaylord does hereby specifically agree, but not by way of limitation, as follows:

- 1. To appropriate all funds necessary to complete the project during the project period and to provide two hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$225,000.00) dollars to match the grant authorized by the DEPARTMENT.
- 2. To maintain satisfactory financial accounts, documents, and records to make them available to the DEPARTMENT for auditing at reasonable times in perpetuity.
- 3. To construct the project and provide such funds, services, and materials as may be necessary to satisfy the terms of said Agreement.
- 4. To regulate use of the facility constructed and reserved under this Agreement to assure the use thereof by the public on equal and reasonable terms.
- 5. To comply with any and all terms of said Agreement including all terms not specifically set forth in the foregoing portions of this Resolution."

No other business was presented, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Jennifer Molski, City Clerk

Todd Sharrard, Mayor