

CITY OF WHITEHALL
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
March 11, 2014

PRESENT: Bartholomew, Cabala, Hatch, Holmstrom, Sikkenga, Smith

ABSENT: Whalen

ALSO PRESENT: City Attorney Sweeting, City Manager Huebler, City Clerk Bourdon, Student Representatives Jacobs and Loudermilk.

Mayor Hatch called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Cabala, seconded by Holmstrom, CARRIED, to approve the agenda. All ayes.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Smith indicated that it was Whalen who complimented the format of the Police Annual report.

Motion by Sikkenga, seconded by Bartholomew, CARRIED, to approve the February 25, 2014 minutes as amended. All ayes.

APPROVAL OF THE ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

Motion by Smith, seconded by Bartholomew, CARRIED, to approve the account payables in the amount of \$ 337,227.17 and checks be drawn in their several amounts. Roll Call Vote: Yes - Bartholomew, Smith, Cabala, Holmstrom, Sikkenga, Hatch; No: None; Absent: Whalen.

COMMUNICATIONS

A. Senior Center Report, WMSRDC Newsletter

Motion by Bartholomew, seconded by Smith, CARRIED, that the communications be received and placed on file. All ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Barb Aardema, Arts Council of White Lake, thanked the council for their continued support. Barb provided the council with the ACWL newsletter and provided highlights such as the art walk along the bike trail, Nuveen art classes, and collaboration between Nuveen and the Howmet Playhouse.

MESSAGES FROM THE MAYOR, COUNCIL AND CITY MANAGER

Huebler informed Council that the MML Capital Conference is next week and to let the City Clerk know within the next couple of days if interested in attending the conference.

Cabala noted that the Community Garage Sale should be included in the next newsletter and website. Cabala asked if there are any more updates on the Tannery Development. Huebler responded that there are no new developments, but that water front plans should be forthcoming. Cabala has received compliments about the snow removal in the parking lanes. She also would like the downtown committee to reconvene because there are too many open buildings. Cabala would like to begin receiving the council packets electronically as soon as possible.

Hatch read the thank you note received from Pat Wildfong thanking the council for the beautiful watch and expressing her pride in working for the city.

Student representative Jacobs announced that the district wide talent show is being held at Whitehall High School on Saturday, March 15th at 7 pm.

Smith enjoyed the article highlighting Muskegon in the MML publication and Greg Means' editorial in the Beacon.

Bartholomew shared that he has received many comments on the pot holes and knows that crews are out there working on them. He also commented that the Warner/Lewis intersection is impassable.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Hokey Pokey Alley Sales

Motion by Smith, seconded by Cabala, CARRIED, to approve the request for the Hokey Pokey Alley Sales on May 3rd, July 19th, and September 27th. All ayes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Smith, supported by Bartholomew that the Council meeting be adjourned at 7:45 p.m. All ayes.

Emery M. Hatch, Mayor

Brenda Bourdon, City Clerk