

CITY OF WHITEHALL
CITY COUNCIL WORK SESSION MINUTES
White Lake Fire Authority Station 1
1300 Delaney St., Whitehall, MI
September 14, 2021
5:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Scott Brown, Dick Connell, Ellie Dennis, Debi Hillebrand, Sean Mullally, and Steve Salter

ABSENT: Virginia DeMumbrum

ALSO PRESENT: Laurie Audo, Brenda Bourdon, and Roger Squiers; Fruitland Township Board Members

Mayor Hillebrand called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Presentation - Fire Chief Pete McCarthy presented a proposal on Fire Based Advanced Life Support for the City of Whitehall and Fruitland Township. He reported that response times provided by ProMed and White Lake Ambulance Authority have increased prompting him to research and propose services that would include emergency response and transport to the hospital. This would include purchasing two ambulances fully equipped; appropriate staffing and training; employing a 3rd party billing company; using the new fire station as the facilities and the fire chief and deputy fire chief would handle administration duties. Appropriate licensing would be obtained from Muskegon County and the State. Financing to support the Advance Life Support would come from an annual contribution of \$75,000 from each municipality.

Chief McCarty fielded questions from both municipalities and the public.

A guided tour was also offered by the Fire Chief

MEETING ADJOURNED AT 5:56 P.M.

Debra Hillebrand, Mayor

Brenda Bourdon, City Clerk

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Mayor Hillebrand called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

APPROVAL OF THE AMENDED AGENDA

Motion by Salter, seconded by Dennis, CARRIED, to remove the Closed Session agenda item. All yeses.

Motion by Dennis, seconded by Brown, CARRIED to approve the amended agenda. All yeses.

APPROVAL OF THE CONSENT AGENDA

- A. August 24, 2021 Council Meeting Minutes
- B. Accounts Payable - \$307,665.48
- C. Communications: Planning Commission Minutes

Motion by Connell, seconded by Mullally, CARRIED, to approve the Consent Agenda. Yes – 5; No – 1, Brown; Absent – 1, DeMumbrum

MESSAGES FROM THE MAYOR, COUNCIL, AND CITY MANAGER

Comments were received from Council.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Comments were received by two Montague students and Greg Maki of AgriMed.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Road Closure Request

Motion by Salter, seconded by Dennis, CARRIED, to approve the road closure request for Slocum Street from Mears to First Street for the Cartoonversation event being held at the Playhouse on October 16 from 12 pm to 3 pm. All yeses.

B. Ordinance 21-02 Floodplain Management

Motion by Dennis, seconded by Brown, CARRIED, to approve the ordinance addressing floodplain management provisions of the State Construction code.

Roll Call Vote: Yes – Dennis, Brown, Salter, Connell, Mullally, and Hillebrand;
No – None, Absent – DeMumbrum

C. Resolution 21-23 Sidewalk Snowplowing Bids

Resolution FAILED due to lack of a motion. Council requested to address alternatives at the next work session.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Hillebrand adjourned the Council Meeting at 6:53 pm.

Debra Hillebrand, Mayor

Brenda Bourdon, City Clerk