

CITY OF WAYNE  
CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING NO. 2009-24 - AUGUST 4, 2009  
WAYNE CITY HALL  
3355 SOUTH WAYNE ROAD  
8:00 P.M.

A regular meeting of the Wayne City Council was held on Tuesday, August 4, 2009, at 8:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber of Wayne City Hall, 3355 South Wayne Road.

Mayor Haidous called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and led the Council and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members Present: Mayor Abdul Haidous, Mayor Pro Tem Donna M. McEachern, Thomas H. Kelly, Albert M. Damitio, Pamela Dobrowolski, Susan M. Rowe, Mathew P. Mulholland

Members Absent: None

Also Present: Richard S. Clark, City Attorney; John J. Zech, City Manager; Mary E. Carney, City Clerk

**08-09-0379** Motion by McEachern, seconded by Damitio and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 21, 2009, as printed.

Presentation of a Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for the FY '07-'08 was made Finance Director Timothy McCurley on behalf of the Finance Department from a representative of the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA).

**08-09-0380** Motion by Rowe, seconded by Damitio and unanimously carried, the following resolution was adopted:

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, bids were requested for a new Combination Duel Engine Sewer Cleaner for the Public Works Department; and

WHEREAS, one (1) bid was received, opened and publicly read by the Acting Deputy Clerk at 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, July 15, 2009, in the Council Chamber of City Hall as follows:

Jack Doheny Supplies Inc., Northville, MI	\$365,962.00
Less trade	\$125,000.00
Total purchase price	\$240,962.00

WHEREAS, the bid was sent to the Department for evaluation and recommendation has been received;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the only and lowest bid received from Jack Doheny Supplies, Inc., in the total amount of \$240,962.00, to be paid from the Public Works Department Equipment Replacement Budget, be accepted in the best interest of the City.

Upon the request for comments from persons in the audience on matters not covered by the Council Agenda, none were expressed.

**08-09-0381** Motion by Dobrowolski, seconded by McEachern and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the reappointment of John J. Zech as the MERS Officer Delegate for the period of July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010.

**08-09-0382** Motion by Rowe, seconded by Mulholland and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the appointment of Timothy D. McCurley as the MERS Officer Alternate Delegate for the period of July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010.

By consensus of Council, Communications and Reports were received and filed or acted upon as indicated:

- a. Letter from Mary F. Vangieson, Resource Recovery Coordinator, Land Resource Management Division, and a memo from the Acting Public Works Director, concerning an upcoming Household Hazardous Waste Collection Event, which will be held on Saturday, August 22, 2009, from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the Westland Shopping Center in the parking lot behind the J.C. Penney Department Store near Warren Road and Nankin Boulevard
- b. Memo from the Acting Public Works Director and an email from a citizen concerning Foreman Tom Cahill and Clerk II Casey Cahill
- c. Memo from the Acting Director of the Parks & Recreation Department regarding the Dance, Gymnastics, Cheerleading and Baton Program
- d. Memo from Acting Director of the Parks & Recreation Department and a thank you note from the Wayne Civitans
- e. Memo from the Acting Director of the Parks & Recreation Department regarding upcoming Parks & Recreation Department Programs
- f. Memo from the Acting Director of the Parks & Recreation Department concerning the 2009 Wheelfest, which will be held August 27-30, 2009 at Goudy Park
- g. Memo from the Fire Chief and a thank you note from the Wayne Civitans regarding Captain Ken Chapman, Lieutenant Andy Stager and Firefighters Cindy Boring, Troy Marlewitz and Kevin Brookshire
- h. Memo from the Fire Chief and a thank you card from a resident concerning Firefighters Kevin Brookshire and Jeremy Tima
- i. Memo from the City Clerk regarding the election to select an Employee Delegate and an Employee Alternate Delegate to the Municipal Employees Retirement

- System (MERS) Annual Meeting
- j. Memo from the Police Chief and a thank you note from the Wayne Civitans
  - k. Memo from the Police Chief regarding a grant award through the COPS Hiring Recovery Program (CHRP)
  - l. Memo from the City Engineer concerning a grant award through the Wayne County Federal Aid Committee for the reconstruction of Elizabeth Street from Annapolis Avenue to Michigan Avenue during the 2011 construction season
  - m. Memo from the City Planner regarding a \$3,000.00 donation from the Wayne Garden Club
  - n. Memo from the City Manager and a thank you card from the Manager of the Cherry Hill Square Apartment Complex in Inkster
  - o. Memo from the City Manager regarding the possible closing of the Wayne Post Office by the U.S. Postal Service (Mayor Haidous, Mayor Pro Tem McEachern and Councilwoman Dobrowolski volunteered to form a committee to address the issue.)

**08-09-0383** Motion by McEachern, seconded by Rowe and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve Weed List No. 2009-7, as follows:

55-018-06-0261-000	55-024-01-1165-000	55-018-06-0036-301
55-020-01-1382-000	55-020-01-1152-000	55-017-03-0137-000
55-024-01-1099-000	55-024-02-0122-002	55-022-99-0019-000
55-018-04-0134-000	55-021-02-0910-000	

**08-09-0384** Motion by McEachern, seconded by Dobrowolski and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve declaring 35456 Currier Street a Hazard/Nuisance, on an emergency basis, and assess the charges to the owner of record.

**08-09-0385** Motion by Rowe, seconded by McEachern and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve declaring 34320 Glover Street a Hazard/Nuisance, on an emergency basis, and assess the charges to the owner of record.

**08-09-0386** Motion by McEachern, seconded by Rowe and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the sale of 32320 Carlisle Parkway in the amount of \$39,000.00 to Carolyn M. Legare.

**08-09-0387** Motion by Dobrowolski, seconded by Mulholland and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve an amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with Russell Design, Inc., in the amount of \$247.33, for additional cost associated with the Walz Park Project.

**08-09-0388** Motion by McEachern, seconded by Rowe and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve entering into a contract with the Michigan Department of

Transportation (MDOT) regarding Phase VI of the Streetscape Project, which involves improvements to the east side of Wayne Road between Annapolis Avenue and Harroun Parkway, with a 20% match in funds in the amount of \$40,300.00, to be paid from the Downtown Development Authority (DDA) Budget and for the Mayor and City Clerk to be authorized to sign the contract.

**08-09-0389** Motion by Dobrowolski, seconded by McEachern and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve a resolution in conjunction with the Michigan Municipal League (MML) and the Michigan Department of Energy, Labor & Economic Growth (MDELEG) concerning the Michigan Green Communities Challenge.

**08-09-0390** Motion by McEachern, seconded by Rowe and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the annual renewal of a Taxi Cab License with Taxi Town, Inc., (Wayne Cab).

Upon the request of Mayor Haidous for comments from members of the City Council on matters not covered by the Council Agenda, the following were expressed:

Councilwoman Dobrowolski questioned the status of the Tim Horton's business that was coming to town. City Manager Zech informed her that there has not been a closing on the property as of yet, but that the business is scheduled to appear before the Zoning Board of Appeals regarding proposed signage.

Councilwoman Dobrowolski also announced that she is a Grandmother for the 10<sup>th</sup> time. Her eldest daughter and son-in-law welcomed Ezekial Francis into their family on July 28<sup>th</sup>.

Mayor Pro Tem McEachern asked everyone to submit applications for the Beautification Awards to the Public Works Department.

Mayor Pro Tem McEachern also stated that many people are affixing signs to the green light poles with tape and when the signs are removed, so is the paint. She asked that citizens please place their signs in a different location.

Councilwoman Dobrowolski stated that she had been asked as to why SMART is allowed to place their bus route signs on the green light poles. City Manager Zech stated that the right-of-way area on different roads have different owners (City, County, State).

Councilman Mulholland stated that the Building Department is doing a good job, as he observed the taking down of signs placed in the incorrect area. He further stated that he would like to recognize several departments, the Community Development Department, Building Department and Police Department, as they have obtained grants in the 1.2 to 1.3 million dollar area. He stated that it shows that the employees are working hard and it is very commendable.

Councilman Mulholland further congratulated Tim McCurley and the Finance Department for receiving their award at the beginning of the meeting.

Councilman Mulholland asked Ron Baker (in attendance in the audience) if the flyer regarding the Household Hazardous Waste events could be placed on the website. Mr. Baker informed him that he would place the event on the website.

Councilman Mulholland also stated that he wanted to recognize a local business, Wimsatt Building Materials, as he made the mistake of trying to re-roof his garage himself and the employees of Wimsatt's were very patient and walked him through the process. He further stated that he had recently seen in the Wayne Dispatch that one of the co-owners had passed away and he wanted to extend his sympathies to the family.

Councilman Mulholland further stated that this past week City Manager Zech had celebrated a milestone birthday, his 60<sup>th</sup>, and wished him a Happy Birthday.

Councilwoman Rowe stated that she had recently attended at meeting at SEMCOG, representing the City of Wayne, and reported that there will be a 4% reduction in membership dues for 2010. She further reported that this year the dues were at the same level as the previous year and that new members to the organization in 2010 will have their dues set at 50% less.

Councilwoman Rowe further informed the Council that she had requested copies of the new socio-economic realities forecast be distributed to the Council. She stated that the report indicates that unemployment will be 20% in the State by the end of the year, but that nationwide unemployment will improve.

Councilwoman Rowe further stated that the budget next year will probably be worse than this year and we should be prepared for the worst and hope for the best. She also stated that the City will maybe need to contract out some services depending on the money situation.

Mayor Haidous stated that it can't be business as usual and we will need to look at alternatives as we owe it to the citizens to work hard and be fiscally responsible. He further stated that the citizens deserve our support as they have always supported the City.

Councilwoman Rowe stated that education is very important and that education after high school needs to be stressed.

Councilwoman Rowe informed the audience that the Wayne Rotary, Wayne Civitans and the Business and Professional Women will have a benefit chicken dinner on August 30<sup>th</sup>, during the Wheelfest, for Alyssa Jennings, the 9 year old cancer patient. She encouraged everyone to participate in the event.

**08-09-0391** Motion by Rowe, seconded by Mulholland and unanimously carried, it was resolved to accept the Consent Calendar without exception as follows:

- a. Historical Commission Minutes of July 13

- b. Board of Review Minutes of July 21
- c. Commission on Aging Minutes of July 14
- d. Commission on Aging Minutes of July 21
- e. Wheelfest Commission Minutes of July 9

**08-09-0392** Motion by Rowe, seconded by Damitio and unanimously carried by a roll call vote, it was resolved to adjourn to a Closed Session at 9:20 p.m. to discuss specific pending litigation.

ROLL CALL

AYES: McEachern, Kelly, Damitio, Dobrowolski, Rowe, Mulholland, Haidous

NAYS: None

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Mary E. Carney  
City Clerk

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