



SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BUCHANAN CITY COMMISSION- AMENDED

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 – 8:00 AM

CHAMBER OF BUCHANAN CITY HALL - 302 N REDBUD TRAIL, BUCHANAN MI

MINUTES

THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BUCHANAN, in compliance with Michigan's Open Meetings Act, hereby gives notice of a special meeting of the Buchanan City Commission to be held in the Chamber of City Hall.

* Requests to be added to the agenda as a "Scheduled Matter from the Floor" should be submitted in writing to the City Clerk at least 5 business days prior to the scheduled meeting during which the speaker wishes to appear, and the approval of such requests remain within the discretion of the Mayor. If denied, the speaker may nonetheless speak during the "non-agenda items only" public comments section of the agenda.

* Those who are unable to appear during a meeting but who still wish to share public comment may submit such comments in written form to the City Clerk at least 4 hours in advance of the meeting.

* Individuals with disabilities may request necessary reasonable accommodations by submitting requests to the City Clerk, preferably at least 24 hours in advance.

* Written requests and comments may be submitted to the City Clerk either in person or via mail to Buchanan City Hall, 302 N. Redbud Trail, Buchanan, MI 49107, or via email to clerk@cityofbuchanan.com

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 AM by Mayor Weedon.

II. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Mark Weedon, Commissioner Patrick Swem, Commissioner Larry Money, Commissioner Dan Vigansky, Commissioner Raquell George

City Staff: City Manager Timothy Lynch; City Clerk, Kalla Langston; Community Development Director, Rich Murphy

III. Public Comment - Agenda Items Only (3-minute limit)

IV. New Business

A. Resolution 2024.09/26- Consider Resolution 2024.09/26, Filing of Special Assessment Roll for Special Assessment District and Notice of Public Hearing (Public Hearing to be scheduled for October 14th, 2024 at 7:00 PM).

Brian Scribner and the commission at length discussed the proposed special assessment.

Vigansky moved to amend Resolution 2024.09/26 to amend the notice of public hearing with the cost of the proposed assessment at \$25.00 per year, supported by Money.

Roll call vote

Yea: Vigansky, Money, George

Nay: Swem, Weedon

Motion carries 3-2.

B. 1) MNRTF Grant application for the St. Joseph River Improvements Project.

The City Commission is considering supporting the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) submission of an application titled "St Joseph River Improvements Project" to the Michigan Natural Resources Trust Fund (MNRTF) program for improvements to Riverfront Park located in

Buchanan, MI. The city is considering a financial commitment to the project in 30% of matching funds.

Murphy presented the new resolution to the Commission.

2) Public Comment Period on the St. Joseph River Improvements Project (*Public Comment is limited to 3 minutes per speaker*).

Randy Hendrixson- in support.

Peter Lysy- in support.

Fran Tuite- in support.

Two email correspondents from Don Ryman and Carla Johnson are not in support.

3) Resolution 2024.09/27- Consider Resolution 2024.09/27, a resolution to approve the MNRTF Grant application for the St. Joseph River Improvements Project

Motion made by Vigansky, supported by Swem to approve Resolution 2024.09/27 a resolution to approve the MNRTF Grant application for the St. Joseph River Improvements Project, as presented. Roll call vote carries unanimously.

B. Staffing Needs

Motion made by Weedon, supported by Money to allow Commissioner Swem to contact Frank Walsh for a city manager succession plan. Roll call vote carries unanimously.

V. Public Comment - Non-Agenda Items Only (*3-minute limit*)

VI. Adjourn

Motion made by Vigansky, supported by Swem to adjourn the meeting at 8:54 AM.

Kalla Langston , City Clerk

Mayor Mark Weedon