



City Council Regular Meeting

Monday, July 17, 2023

27400 Southfield Road, Lathrup Village, Michigan 48076

Meeting Minutes

1. **Call to Order** by Mayor Garrett

2. **Roll Call**

Present: Mayor Garrett, Mayor Pro Tem Kantor Councilmember Jennings, Councilmember Miller, Councilmember Kenez,

Also Present: Assistant City Administrator Pamela Bratschi, City Attorney Scott Baker, City Clerk Kelda London

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

4. **Approval of Agenda**

Mayor Pro Tem Kantor moved to approve the agenda, motion seconded by Councilmember Jennings.

Yes: Jennings, Kantor, Kenez, Miller, Garrett

No: None

Motion carried

5. **Presentations**

A. Revize Brian Rohen

Brian Rohen from Revize Software presented the Council with a presentation related to updating the website, showcasing all of the new website features and those already utilized by Lathrup Village.

Brian will put together a proposal and submit it for the next meeting.

6. **Public Comment for Items on the Agenda** (speakers are limited to 3 minutes)

None

7. **Consent Agenda**

All items listed under "Consent Agenda" are considered to be routine and non-controversial by the City Council and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion. If a discussion is desired, that item(s) will be removed from the consent agenda and discussed separately immediately after consent agenda approval in its normal sequence on the regular agenda.

A. Approval of Minutes

Council Study Session 06.26.23

Regular City Council Meeting 06.26.23

Council Study Session 07.10.23

B. Police Department Monthly Reports

C. June Building Permit Report

D. June 2023 Disbursement Report

E. June Fire Department Report

Councilmember Miller moved to approve the consent agenda removing Item D. June Disbursement Report. Motion seconded by Councilmember Kenez.

Yes: Kantor, Kenez, Miller, Garrett, Jennings

No: None

Motion carried.

After questions and clarifications, Mayor Pro Tem Kantor moved to approve Item D, June 2023 Disbursement Report. Motion seconded by Councilmember Jennings.

Yes: Kenez, Garrett, Jennings, Kantor

No: Miller

Motion carried.

8. **Action Requests - For Consideration / Approval**

A. Employment Agreement Amendment for Scott McKee

Mayor Pro Tem Kantor motioned to pull the Employment Agreement Amendment for Scott McKee off the table. Motion seconded by Councilmember Jennings.

Yes: Miller, Garrett, Jennings, Kantor, Kenez

No: None

Motion carried.

Mayor Pro Tem Kantor moved to approve the retiree health insurance changes for Scott McKee. The motion seconded by Councilmember Jennings.

Yes: Garrett, Jennings, Kantor, Kenez, Miller

No: None

Motion carried.

C. Budget Amendment

Assistant Administrator Bratschi explained that the amendment reflects the correct budget that Council previously approved. The sidewalk improvements occurred before June 30, 2023, \$220,000 and was moved back to the 2022-2023 budget year.

Mayor Pro Tem Kantor moved to approve the \$220,000 budget amendment. Motion seconded by Councilmember Jennings.

Yes: Jennings, Kantor, Kenez, Garrett

No: Miller

Motion carried.

C. Charter Amendment

As a result of the changes in the state election laws, the official election certification will be moved back one week. This creates a conflict with the existing charter. This amendment shifts the dates of the Organizational Meeting and all Oaths of Office to be consistent with state law.

Councilmember Jennings moved to adopt the proposed ballot language for the charter amendment. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Kantor.

Yes: Kantor, Kenez, Garrett, Jennings

No: Miller

Motion carried.

D. Personnel Manual Amendment

A couple of points were changed in the current Personnel Manual, adding section 504. All employees must sign up for ADP and track their time with ADP. The Supervisor will approve all time before it can be accumulated and taken. These changes will be in effect on September 1, 2023.

Mayor Pro Tem moved to approve the Lathrup Village Employee Personnel Manual updates. Motion seconded by Councilmember Jennings.

Yes: Kenez, Miller, Garrett, Jennings, Kantor
No None
Motion carried.

9. City Administrator Report

Nothing to Report

10. City Attorney Report

Nothing to Report

11. Reports of Boards, Commissions, and Committees

Nothing to Report

12. Unfinished / New Business

Mayor Pro Tem Kantor requested an update on the water technology project and the SOCRWA meter on Eleven Mile Rd.

13. Public Comment (speakers are limited to 3 minutes)

Roger Lynn – Goldengate Park and tree grant

Lauren Beras – Asked Council to provide examples of projects or efforts they have initiated.

Laurie Kunz – Defending Councilmember Miller

14. Mayor and Council Comments

Councilmember Jennings is hosting a walk and talk to discuss residents' concerns on Tuesday, July 25th at 6:00 pm, starting from Municipal Park.

Mayor Pro Tem Kantor responded to a resident question about accomplishments- back billing for water bills.

Councilmember Miller requested an update on ditch work/flooding at 26215 Lathrup Blvd. Mayor Pro Tem Kantor stated that it is an upstream ditch that works as it was engineered. Councilmember Miller also addressed the question asked in Public Comments, saying that she did force the City to address the two million dollar water loss.

SOCRRA is extending hours of operations to make appointments for the drop-off of recycled items.

City Attorney offered a follow-up on a previous discussion item; the State of Michigan sold the property adjacent to Goldengate Park on March 6, 2006.

Mayor Garrett, in response to the question asked in Public Comment, was on vacation making sure that the power was restored after a storm by reaching out to contacts at DTE.

15. Adjourn

Mayor Pro Tem Kantor moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilmember Jennings. The meeting adjourned at 8:42 pm.