

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on Monday, February 17, 2003 in Council Chambers, 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1976.

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m. by Mayor Mitchell.

PRESENT: Campbell, Harrison, McShane, Mitchell.

ABSENT: Bush.

OTHERS PRESENT: Clerk/Treasurer Cantrell, Director Goss, Director Gushman, City Manager Pastue, Assistant City Manager Richards, Attorney Schultz.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

02-03-052 MOTION by Harrison, seconded by Campbell, to approve the agenda as submitted. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

02-03-053 MOTION by McShane, seconded by Harrison, to approve the minutes of the special study session of January 31, 2003; and the regular, special and closed meetings of February 3, 2003. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MINUTES OF OTHER BOARDS

02-03-054 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by McShane, to receive and file the minutes of the following Boards and Commissions:

- Downtown Development Authority minutes of February 4, 2003.
- Planning Commission minutes of February 10, 2003.
- Commission on the Environment minutes of January 14, 2003.
- Farmington Area Arts Commission minutes of January 16, 2003.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

OATH CEREMONY FOR NEWLY APPOINTED CITY MANAGER MR. VINCENT PASTUE

Vincent Pastue took a ceremonial oath as new City Manager of Farmington.

Council welcomed Mr. Pastue to the City and expressed their anticipation of a long and rewarding relationship.

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Mr. Pastue stated that he also is looking forward to a long term relationship with the City.

PRESENTATION: RRRASOC ANNUAL REPORT – MICHAEL CSAPO, GENERAL MANAGER

Mike Csapo, General Manager of Resource, Recovery and Recycling Authority of Southwest Oakland County (RRRASOC), began his presentation by welcoming Mr. Pastue to the City. Mr. Csapo spoke about Farmington's excellent recycling rate and its favorable comparison to other cities. He further spoke about a recycling record that was set as a result of the household hazardous waste program that included over 4000 participants delivering a total of 136 tons of material. He talked about the success of a hazardous waste event held last year, sponsored by the Cities of Farmington/Farmington Hills, which produced a large turnout. He complimented the staff of Farmington/Farmington Hills for their cooperation and efforts in this event. He further stated that the turnout of Farmington residents for this type of event was three times the national norm.

Mr. Csapo spoke about issues that will be addressed in 2003 including proposed legislation dealing with import and export of solid waste. He spoke about additional goals for 2003 that include implementation of a free commercial waste audit; telephone recycling program; and an attitudinal survey of residents regarding recycling to be conducted by Oakland Community College students.

Responding to a question from Council, Mr. Csapo stated that there is currently proposed legislation regarding the reclassification of water bottles that would increase the recycling rate and reduce littering.

Responding to an additional question, Mr. Csapo stated that the revenue from recyclables is volatile with no way to predict future income. In response to another question, Mr. Csapo stated that there has been a small downslide of hard recyclables, however, yard waste recycling has increased.

Responding to a final question, Mr. Csapo stated that RRRASOC has not yet been involved with Farmington's Commission on the Environment but looked forward to future participation.

Mr. Csapo stated that RRRASOC would continue to protect the City's interests in Lansing.

Council thanked Mr. Csapo for his presentation.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

LETTER FROM MOSLEM SHRINE TEMPLE RE: PERMISSION TO CONDUCT ANNUAL FUND DRIVE. Administration recommended granting permission for this annual fundraising event to benefit Shriners Hospitals for Children.

02-03-055 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Harrison, to grant permission to the Moslem Shrine Temple to conduct their annual fundraising drive on June 20, 21 and 22, 2003 in the City of Farmington. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND AUTHORITIES.

02-03-056 MOTION by McShane, seconded by Harrison, to appoint Greg Cowley to the Downtown Development Authority Board of Directors for a four-year term ending February 2007. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Council congratulated Mr. Cowley, who was present, on his appointment.

02-03-057 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Harrison, to appoint Vincent Pastue to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority for an unexpired term ending February 2005. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

CONSIDERATION OF RESIGNATION FROM BOARD AND COMMISSION.

02-03-058 MOTION by Harrison, seconded by McShane, to accept the resignation of Robert Heinrich from the Downtown Development Authority Board, send a letter thanking him for his service to the City and recognize his efforts with a presentation at a future Council meeting. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

MISCELLANEOUS

PUBLIC COMMENT.

No public comment was heard.

COUNCIL COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Council member McShane recommended sending a letter to Bill Costick thanking him for his time as acting City Manager. Council member McShane also recommended that an article regarding the openings on boards and commissions be placed on the front page of the local newspapers.

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Mayor Mitchell thanked the department heads and staff for their efforts during the City Manager transition.

ADJOURNMENT

02-03-059 MOTION by Campbell, seconded by Harrison, to adjourn the meeting.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Meeting adjourned at 8:49 p.m.

JAMES K. MITCHELL, MAYOR

PATSY K. CANTRELL, CITY/CLERK TREASURER