



Regular City Council Meeting
7:00 PM, MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2017
Conference Room
Farmington City Hall
23600 Liberty St
Farmington, MI 48335

FINAL

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on March 6, 2017, in Farmington City Hall, Farmington, MI. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1976.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 PM by Mayor Bill Galvin.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Sara Bowman	Councilmember	Present	
Greg Cowley	Councilmember	Present	
William Galvin	Mayor	Present	
Steve Schneemann	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	
Jeff Scott	Councilmember	Present	

City Administration Present

Director Christiansen
Director Demers
Director Eudy (left at 8:10 pm)
City Clerk Halberstadt
City Manager Murphy
Attorney Schultz (arrived 7:40 p.m.)

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Move to approve the agenda as amended, remove Item No. 7, Consideration to Approve the Farmington Engineering Standards, and add Item No. 12, Closed Session - Labor Negotiations.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilmember Bowman
SECONDER:	Mayor Pro Tem Schneemann
AYES:	Bowman, Cowley, Galvin, Schneemann, Scott

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was heard.

4. PRESENTATION: TIM TUTAK, COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT)

Director Demers introduced Tim Tutak and Bob York, members of the Emergency Preparedness Commission.

Tim Tutak announced Farmington Hills 1650 AM radio station is back on the air again. The station will broadcast emergencies, events, etc.

Tutak provided a presentation on Community Emergency Response Team (CERT).

Cowley suggested connecting with Mary Martin of the Chamber regarding providing support to the Founders Festival.

Discussion followed regarding procedure for contacting CERT members if an emergency event occurred.

Responding to a question from Bowman, Tutak stated CERT has 40-50 members.

Responding to an additional question from Bowman, York displayed items from a CERT kit.

York advised the CERT program does not take the place of Public Safety.

Discussion followed regarding how someone would sign up for the CERT program.

Demers discussed follow-up steps including an initial proposal for this program.

5. SPECIAL EVENT – FOUNDERS FESTIVAL

Mary Martin, Executive Director of the Greater Farmington Area Chamber of Commerce, reviewed the specifics of the upcoming Founders Festival. She noted they are adding a STEAM activity to the Festival.

Schneemann asked about the competing music on Thursday evening of the Festival. He also expressed concern regarding identifying the Swing Dance as Margaritaville given that minors participate in the event.

Martin responded that the band playing on Thursday night is called Air Margaritaville, however, the theme of night will not carry that message. She also stated that the swing dancing music will not compete with the Red, White, and Brew tent band as they will be far enough away from each other.

Bowman asked for more detail on the STEAM activity.

Martin responded that the Ann Arbor Hands on Museum will bring in targeted activities specifically for STEAM.

Bowman asked if the start of the 4-mile Color Run could be moved back 30 minutes.

Martin responded the challenge is to find sufficient number of volunteers that early in the morning.

Bowman offered to find more volunteers.

Scott confirmed the fireworks are back this year.

Cowley asked about the location of the beer tent and parking accommodations. He stressed parking plans need to be communicated to the public. He suggested using a parking application. He stated the liquor application needs to be monitored weekly and the license needs to be picked up in Lansing rather than mailed. He wanted ideas on how local businesses will be encouraged to participate in the festival. He suggested offering the businesses some kind of booth if there is capacity. He is looking for better integration of the local businesses into the festival. He recommended consulting with the DDA on how to include businesses.

Galvin thanked Martin for her presentation, noting the Chamber is a terrific partner for Farmington. He liked the inclusion of kid/family activities in the event.

Move to adopt a resolution approving the 2017 Founders Festival which includes approving event locations, authorizing road closures, a permit for fireworks and applications for temporary liquor licenses. [SEE ATTACHED RESOLUTION].

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilmember Cowley
SECONDER:	Councilmember Scott
AYES:	Bowman, Cowley, Galvin, Schneemann, Scott

6. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CONTRACT FOR GRAND RIVER

Eudy presented the background on proposed contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation Contract for rehabilitation of Grand River.

Move to approve Contract Number 16-5556 between Michigan Department of Transportation and the City of Farmington for construction improvements on Grand River Avenue within the Farmington City limits as presented; and authorize the Mayor and City Manager to sign the contract on behalf of the City. [SEE ATTACHED CONTRACT].

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Councilmember Scott
SECONDER: Councilmember Cowley
AYES: Bowman, Cowley, Galvin, Schneemann, Scott

Roll Call: Cowley, Galvin, Schneemann, Scott, Bowman.

7. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE PAYMENT TO OAKLAND COUNTY TREASURER FOR REPAIRS TO NINE MILE RETENTION BASIN

Eudy reviewed repairs and related costs to the Nine Mile Retention Basin.

Move to approve payment in the amount of \$15,696.74 to Oakland County Treasurer for repairs to Nine Mile Retention Basin Cell No. 3.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Mayor Pro Tem Schneemann
SECONDER: Councilmember Bowman
AYES: Bowman, Cowley, Galvin, Schneemann, Scott

Roll Call: Galvin, Schneemann, Scott, Bowman, Cowley

8. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE TWO FOR THE RAPID FLASHING BEACONS AT FARMINGTON

Eudy reviewed a request for final payment on the Rapid Flashing Beacons at Farmington Road. He noted City Engineers, OHM, have recommended payment.

Responding to a question from Schneemann, Eudy discussed the basis for the change order.

Move to approve Construction Estimate No. 2 (final) and Change Order No. 1 (balancing), for the Rapid Flashing Beacons at Farmington Road and make payment to J. Ranck Electric, Inc., in the amount of \$18,267.36.

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Councilmember Bowman
SECONDER: Councilmember Scott
AYES: Bowman, Cowley, Galvin, Schneemann, Scott

Roll Call: Schneemann, Scott, Bowman, Cowley, Galvin.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was heard.

10. COUNCIL COMMENT

Galvin noted he and other City staff recently attended a realtor meeting set up by the Farmington Public Schools.

11. CLOSED SESSION – LAND ACQUISITION AND LABOR NEGOTIATIONS

Move to enter closed session to discuss land acquisition and labor negotiations.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Mayor Pro Tem Schneemann
SECONDER:	Councilmember Cowley
AYES:	Bowman, Cowley, Galvin, Schneemann, Scott

Roll Call: Scott, Bowman, Cowley, Galvin, Schneemann.

Council took a 5 minute recess.

Council entered closed session at 8:15 p.m.

Move to exit closed session.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilmember Scott
SECONDER:	Councilmember Bowman
AYES:	Bowman, Cowley, Galvin, Schneemann, Scott

Council exited closed session at 9:25 p.m.

12. ADJOURNMENT

Move to adjourn the meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Councilmember Bowman
SECONDER:	Councilmember Scott
AYES:	Bowman, Cowley, Galvin, Schneemann, Scott

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.

William E. Galvin, Mayor

Susan K. Halberstadt, City Clerk

Approval Date: March 20, 2017