

**MARCH 10, 2015
REGULAR MEETING**

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR BOYNE CITY COMMISSION MEETING DULY CALLED AND HELD AT BOYNE CITY HALL, 319 NORTH LAKE STREET, ON TUESDAY MARCH 10, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Grunch called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Mayor Grunch, Commissioners, Mayor Pro-Tem Towne, Commissioner Gaylord, Laura Sansom and Tom Neidhamer

Absent: None

Staff: Cindy Grice, Michael Cain, John Lamont, Lori Meeder, Andy Kovolski, Scott McPherson, Jeff Gaither, Kevin Spate, Craig Remsberg, Mark Fowler

Others: There were 16 citizens in attendance including representatives from the Petoskey News Review and Charlevoix County News.

**CONSENT AGENDA
MOTION**

2015-03-023
Moved by Towne
Second by Neidhamer

2015-03-023A
To approve the February 24, 2015 City Commission regular meeting minutes as presented

2015-03-023B
To approve the Federal Surplus Property Program Resolution designating City Manager Michael Cain as the coordinator of Surplus Property Donee and Custodian

Ayes: 5
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Motion carried

CITIZENS COMMENTS

None

None

CORRESPONDENCE

CITY MANAGERS REPORT

City Manager Cain reported:

- Bids for the DPW facilities will be opened March 12, 2015
- There are 56 days until the bond election
- Keep running your water until further notice

**REPORTS OF OFFICERS,
BOARDS AND STANDING
COMMITTEES**

Draft Minutes of the February 5, 2015, 2015 Main Street Board Meeting; the February 12, 2015 Parks and Recreation Board Meeting; the February 16, 2015 Planning Commission Meeting; the February 17, 2015 Historical District Meeting; the February 23, 2015 Main Street Board work session and the February 26, 2015 Airport Board Meeting were received and filed.

**Sommerset Point
Agreement**

City Manager Cain reported that we are communicating with the City Attorney regarding this agreement.

Cross Connection Control Contract

Consideration to accept a proposal from M & H Facility Operations Inc. for a cross control connection contract for three years in the amount of \$3,800 for the first year with a proposed annual increase of \$114 annually for each of the subsequent years

WWW Superintendent Mark Fowler discussed the cross connection control program. Last year the City awarded a one year bid. We currently have a three year proposal to do the inspections and manage the cross connection control program that has a 30 day out clause. The first year proposed amount is \$3,800, 2nd year \$3,914 and third year \$4,028.00. Eventually, we may be able to do this in-house.

Citizens Comments: None

Staff Comments: None

Board Discussion: Commissioner Sansom asked Mark to describe the program. Commissioner Gaylord said he like the idea of moving this in house and also, the 30 day out clause. All other Commissioners agree with the recommendation.

MOTION

2015-03-024

Moved by Sansom

Second by Gaylord

To accept a proposal from M & H Facility Operations Inc. for a cross control connection contract for three years in the amount of \$3,800 for the first year with a proposed annual increase of \$114 annually for each of the subsequent years

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried

DNR Passport Recreation Grant

Consideration to authorize staff to prepare and submit a Recreation Passport grant application to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources in the amount of \$10,350 for the Ridge Run Fitness Trail Project on the City's behalf and authorize the City Manager to implement the grant agreement if the committed match funds are raised by the Ridge Run Dog Park Committee.

Barb Brooks discussed the opportunity to apply for a Recreation Pass through the Michigan DNR to install fitness trails at the dog park location. The estimated project cost to install a hard packed gravel surface for the trails is \$15,000. The Recreation Pass grant requires a minimum of 25% funding match. The Ridge Run Dog park committee has requested the City consider applying for this grant and proposes a 31% match through fundraising and private contributions, however, the City would have to commit at the time of the application submittal to the local match. If the committee was unsuccessful at raising the necessary funds or in-kind contributions, the City would have the option of pulling the applicaton or declining the grant award.

Citizens Comments: Michelle Carter of the Ridge Run Dog Park

committee said it has been a successful winter at the dog park.

Staff Comments: Public Works superintendent Andy Kovolski said this was brought to the Parks and Recreation committee. City Manager Cain added the Passport grant was selected for this project so it wouldn't conflict with other grants such as the Pavilion project.

Board Discussion: Commissioner Gaylord inquired about handicap access and if benches were allowed under this grant. All Commissioner expressed support for this recommendation.

MOTION

2015-03-025

Moved by Towne

Second by Neidhamer

To authorize staff to prepare and submit a Recreation Passport grant application to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources in the amount of \$10,350 for the Ridge Run Fitness Trail Project on the City's behalf and authorize the City Manager to implement the grant agreement if the committed match funds are raised by the Ridge Run Dog Park Committee

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried

Brush Grinding Contract

Consideration to award a contract to Team Elmer's in the amount of \$26,950 to grind the brush pile and log and stump piles at the North Boyne Yard and authorize the City Manager to sign the required documents.

Public Works Superintendent Andy Kovolski discussed the need to have a company come in to grind the brush pile, large trunks and stumps at the North Boyne yard. We received two quotes for doing this. The low bid was from Team Elmers.

Staff Comments: None

Citizens Comments: None

Board Discussion: All are in support of the recommendation.

MOTION

2015-03-026

Moved by Gaylord

Second by Towne

To award a contract to Team Elmer's in the amount of \$26,950 to grind the brush pile and log and stump piles at the North Boyne Yard and authorize the City Manager to sign the required documents

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried

2014 Planning Report

City Planning Director Scott McPherson presented the 2014 Annual Planning report.

Staff Comments: None

Citizens Comments: None

Board Discussion: Commissioner Gaylord inquired if there are any trends on enforcement. Scott said it has been consistent.

Aeration Blower Drive Replacement

Consideration to repair three aeration blower motors as proposed for an estimated total of \$16,400 using services from Shoreline Power Services and Graham Motors and authorize the City Manager to execute the documents.

WWW Superintendent Mark Fowler discussed the aeration blowers that are in need of repair. We are currently running on one aeration blower with no backup. There appears to have been a recent power surge. We lost power to two of the blowers and one has a bad motor and has been pulled for bearing repairs. The total cost to repair all three would be approximately \$16,400 and we will need to have at least two of the three fixed.

Staff comments: None

Citizens Comments: None

Board Discussion: Commissioner Neidhamer asked wouldn't 3 blowers be better to repair? Commissioner Sansom asked how long it would take for the third blower to be fixed and was informed a week or two.

MOTION

2015-03-027

Moved by Neidhamer

Second by Gaylord

To repair three aeration blower motors as proposed for an estimated total of \$16,400 using services from Shoreline Power Services and Graham Motors and authorize the City Manager to execute the documents and the timeline of the repairs at staff's discretion.

Ayes: 5

Nays: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried

FYE 2016 Budget Presentation

City Manager Michael Cain presented the FYE 2016 Proposed Budget to the Commissioners. Highlights include funds budgeted for the new DPW facilities to be construction at North Boyne along with the possible Pavilion project.

Staff comments: None

Citizens Comments: None

Board Discussion: Commissioner Sansom requested an updated list of all

motor pool equipment. The budget work session will take place on Tuesday, March 17, 2015 beginning at 8:00 am.

Good of the Order

Mayor Pro-Tem Towne discussed potholes that have formed recently.

CLOSED SESSION

MOTION

2015-03-028
Moved by Grunch
Second by Gaylord

To approve the request of the City Manager to go into closed session to consider strategy connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement as provided in MCL 15.268 (c) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act (PA 267 of 1976 at 8:20 pm.

Ayes: 5
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Motion carried

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION

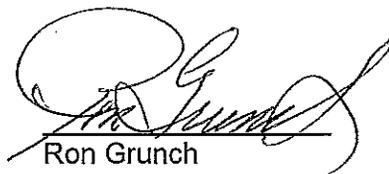
2015-03-029
Moved by Grunch
Second by Gaylord

To return to open session at 9:15 pm.

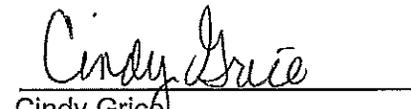
Ayes: 5
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Mayor Grunch seconded by Commissioner Gaylord to adjourn the regular City Commission meeting of Tuesday, March 10, 2015 at 9:16 p.m.



Ron Grunch
Mayor



Cindy Grice
Clerk / Treasurer