DECEMBER 13, 2016 REGULAR MEETING

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE REGULAR BOYNE CITY COMMISSION MEETING DULY CALLED AND HELD AT BOYNE CITY HALL, 364 NORTH LAKE STREET, ON TUESDAY DECEMBER 13, 2016

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Neidhamer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Mayor Tom Neidhamer, Mayor Pro-Tem Gene Towne, Commissioners Ron Grunch, Laura Sansom and Hugh Conklin

Absent: None

Staff: Cindy Grice, Michael Cain, Scott McPherson, Jeff Gaither, Mark Fowler, Barb Brooks and Patrick Kilkenny

Others: There were eleven citizens in attendance.

CONSENT AGENDA MOTION

2016-12-137
Moved by Sansom
Second by Grunch

Approved of the November 29, 2016 City Commission regular meeting minutes as presented
Approved to cancel the December 27, 2016 scheduled City Commission Meeting due to lack of pending business
Approved to opt out of the requirements of PA 152 of 2011 for the coming year and authorize the City Manager and City Clerk / Treasurer to submit any required paperwork
Approved of the Parks & Recreation Commission to appoint Patrick Patoka to serve a second term on the Parks and Recreation Board for a four year term expiring December 31 of 2020

Ayes: 5
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Motion carried

CITIZENS COMMENTS

None

CORRESPONDENCE

None

CITY MANAGERS REPORT

City Manager Cain reported:

- The City Hall project continues to make progress.
- We have been successful receiving grants these past few weeks. First we received a $35,318 payment from the MParks program for the trail and related improvements linking Waterworks Park and Avalanche. Next we received notice that we were successful in the Great Lakes Fishery Trust Grant for $47,500 to help Catt Development with their public fishing pier project. We will be taking action on that at this meeting. Then the big grant day of the year came when the Michigan Natural Trust Fund Board awarded the City up to $2.44 million to help purchase the Open Space Property and another $300,000 to help fund the first phase of the non-motorized trail from the Boyne City Airport, past the Boyne Valley Schools, across M-75

and thru Boyne Mountain and then across US 131 into the Village of Boyne Falls. We have also been notified that we will be receiving another $4,000 from DTE Energy for additional tree planting

- Some 63 trees and bushes have been planted in our right of ways and just under 20 dead or dangerous ones have been removed.
- The City has received the funds from MDOT for the Court and North Lake Street improvement project.
- Congratulations Martha Sulfridge, Wally Barkley and Andy Poineau for bringing the Last Riverdraw to life last week with its placement in and on the banks of the Boyne River. Congratulations to the community, the Boyne City Main Street and the MEDC for taking on the successful crowd funding for this project.
- ACD appears to have all of their equipment and some of the fiber lines to the four cellular antennas they have been installing on North, Grant, Brockway and Pleasant Streets.
- Congratulations to Kim Stevens who will be retiring from the local MSU Extension office with over 25 years of service here in the Boyne community just before the end of the year.

City Manager Recognition

Mayor Neidhamer congratulated City Manager Cain on his 14th anniversary with the City and his major accomplishments during this time.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS AND STANDING COMMITTEES

Draft Minutes of the November 3, 2016 Main Street meeting minutes, the November 3, 2016 Parks & Recreation Board meeting minutes; the November 10, 2016 Historical Commission meeting minutes; and the November 21, 2016 Planning Commission meeting minutes were received and filed.

Marvin Loding Awards

Planning Director Scott McPherson and Planning Commission recognition of the 2016 Marvin Loding Award Commercial and Residential winners.

Planning Director Scott McPherson discussed the Marvin Loding Award. The Planning Commission reviewed nominations for the award at their October meeting and selected winners for the commercial and residential categories. Scott announced the 2016 winners as Steven and Deborah Carlson for the residential award category for their home located at 221 North Street and Challenge Mountain as the winners of the Commercial award category.

Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Grant Request

Consideration to authorize staff to apply for a grant from the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians in the amount of $10,000 to purchase two Verizon Modems for the EMS Department and authorize the City Manager to execute the documents.

City Manager Cain discussed the request from EMS director John Lamont. The current technology utilizing Blackberry blue tooth connection that we have is not reliable. The request would be for 82% Tribal and 18% City with a total project cost of $12,176.

Staff Comments: None

Citizens Comments: None

Board Discussion: Commissioner Grunch said he is very grateful for the grants received by the GTB for the community and is in full support of this request. All other Commissioner are in full support of the request.

MOTION

2016-12-138
Moved by Towne
Second by Sansom

Approved to authorize staff to apply for a grant from the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians in the amount of $10,000 to purchase two Verizon Modems for the EMS Department and authorize the City Manager to execute the documents.

Ayes: 5
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Motion carried

Great Lakes Fishery Trust Grant Award

Consideration to approve the Great Lakes Fishery Trust "Access to the Great Lakes Fishery" grant community resolution and allow the City Manager or his designee to complete the necessary documents to implement the grant. Assistant Planner Patrick Kilkenny discussed the grant received from the Great Lakes Fishery Trust to assist Glen Catt with the public access fishing pier called for in the One Water Street development. The grant will provide a 50% match of the project. The fishing pier will be constructed as a removable floating dock, approximately 190' in length, located southwest of the mouth of the Boyne River and complimented by existing public restrooms, public parks and parking and includes a direct connection to the City's Central Business District. The pier will allow anglers of all experience levels and physical abilities to fish safely and conveniently. The City is acting as the applicant only and the project will not require any financial commitment from the City.

Staff Comments: None

Citizens Comments: None

Board Discussion: Mayor Pro-Tem Towne said it is a great project and will allow people to enjoy fishing. All other Commissioners are in approval of this request and project.

MOTION

2016-12-139
Moved by Grunch
Second by Towne

To approve the Great Lakes Fishery Trust "Access to the Great Lakes Fishery" grant community resolution and allow the City Manager or his designee to complete the necessary documents to implement the grant.

Ayes: 5
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Motion carried

Sidewalk Café Alcohol Service Report

Report from Police Chief Jeff Gaither regarding Sidewalk Café Alcohol Service ordinance

Per the request of the City Commission when they approved an ordinance amendment to allow sidewalk services and sales of alcohol, Police Chief Gaither provided a report regarding any issues that may have arisen. After

research of the Police Department call log, no incidents related to alcohol services on the sidewalks were reported. Police officers were polled for any informal reports or complaints and there were none. The Liquor Control Commission office was also contacted and there were no complaints or violations reported. Planning Director Scott McPherson received comments from Commissioners Sansom and Conklin regarding the narrowing of the sidewalks at one location due to tables and perimeter markers. That area was checked and found to be in compliance with the ordinance.

Staff Comments: None

Citizens Comments: Jessica from the Red Mesa Grill said this has been very successful for their restaurant and Café Sante. Ken Allen said he was very happy with this. Rich Berman of the Boyne Tap Room said this is definitely beneficial for sales and ambiance for the businesses.

Board Discussion: Commissioner Sansom thanked the Chief for the report. Her concern was the distance of open space at the area in front of the Red Mesa and it seemed very narrow. Scott said he measured to the clear zone and it met with the zoning requirements. Commissioner Conklin shared the same concern. Commissioner Grunch and Mayor Pro-Tem Towne said they are ok with it. Mayor Neidhamer said the biggest crowd is by the Parkside Grill during stroll the streets and also where the horse and carriage ride pick-ups are.

Joint Board & Commission Meeting

Consideration to schedule the City's next Joint Board and Commission meeting to be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the temporary City Hall.

Staff Comments: None

Citizens Comments: None

Board Discussion. All are in agreement with the proposed request, but how do we get people to attend.

MOTION

2016-12-140
Moved by Neidhamer
Second by Towne

To approve to schedule the City's next Joint Board and Commission meeting to be held on Tuesday, January 17, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. at the temporary City Hall.

Ayes: 5
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Motion carried

Good of the Order

Mayor Pro-Tem Towne thanked everyone for their support for him and his family during this time after the passing of his mother.

Closed Session
MOTION

2016-12-141
Moved by Neidhamer
Second by Sansom

To approve the request of the City Manager to go into closed session to consider the purchase of real property as provided in MCL 15.268 (d) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act (PA 267 of 1976) at 7:56 p.m.

Ayes: 5
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Motion carried

Return to Open Session
MOTION

2016-12-141
Moved by Neidhamer
Second by Sansom

To return to Open Session at 9:06 p.m.

Ayes: 5
Nays: 0
Absent: 0
Motion carried

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Mayor Neidhamer seconded by Commissioner Sansom to adjourn the Regular City Commission meeting of Tuesday, December 13, 2016 at 9:06 p.m.

Tom Neidhamer
Mayor

Cindy Grice
Clerk / Treasurer