

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No Public Comment.

Mayor Lavelle asked at this time to make a presentation, there were no objections from council.

Mayor Lavelle stated that this year Dancing in the Streets made money. The Dancing in the streets committee consisting of Chuck Gincel, his wife Pam Gincel, Kathy Lavelle, Dan Lavelle and Randy Michaels with help from Ed Sullivan decided they needed to donate to the Fire Department. Mr. Gincel presented Assistant Chief Michael Vogt with a chainsaw and thanked them for their service.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Discussion of fireworks issue.

Mayor Lavelle addressed council that at the last meeting it was brought to their attention residents are still firing off fireworks. The new law was passed, and council can change part of it or elaborate on it so it is up for discussion.

Council member Heidenfeldt said he spoke with the Mt Morris Township Supervisor Larry Green. They are in the process of rewriting their ordinance, and we should in ours, to address opening a store to sell fireworks. They are also looking at changing the ordinance so that they cannot be fired after 11pm. He is not sure how Genesee Township's ordinance works but he talked to Mt Morris Township so that we would work similar to those jurisdictions that surround us.

Mayor Lavelle stated that we can change the ordinance to 11pm for all other days with the exception of the three days that the state law specifies. City Attorney Charles Forrest confirmed.

Council member Michaels asked which holidays. City Attorney Charles Forrest answered any National Holiday.

Council member Heidenfeldt said he asked some of the police officers if they get fireworks calls and they said no they get gunshot calls, because the fireworks sound like gunshots. You can't use the noise ordinance to enforce it because you can't prove where the noise came from.

Council member Davis stated you can't prove the fireworks either.

Council member Heidenfeldt said at least an officer could go talk to them.

Council member Davis stated the officer can still go over and talk to them.

Council member Heidenfeldt said that with the ordinance in place you could go tell them they can't fire them after 11pm, like what Mt. Morris Township is doing.

Council member Davis asked if that's all Council member Heidenfeldt is looking for is to address firing after 11pm. He stated yes.

