

CITY OF MT. MORRIS
CITY COUNCIL – REGULAR MEETING
June 24, 2013

At **6:30 p.m.**, Mayor Dan Lavelle called the Regular Council Meeting to order.

PRESENT: Dan Lavelle
Dennis Heidenfeldt
Randy Michaels
Mark Middleton
Ed Sullivan
Tonya Davis
Judd Judkins

ABSENT: None

OTHERS: City Manager Tom Darnell, Attorney Charles Forrest, DPW Superintendent Jeff Roth, Interim Assistant Fire Chief Mike Vogt, and Interim City Clerk Vicki Fishell.

The Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES:

A motion was made by Council member Middleton and seconded by Council member Judkins to approve the minutes of the regular meeting held on June 10, 2013.

All Ayes
Motion carried.

COMMUNICATIONS:

a. Letter from Jake LaFurgey.

Mayor Lavelle read a letter from Jake LaFurgey thanking the DPW and their Superintendent for the great job they did with the clean up of the storm. He also mentioned that it was 43 years ago this month that he appointed Charles Forrest as the city attorney.

APPROVAL OF WARRANT:

A motion was made by Council member Middleton and seconded by Council member Michaels to approve Warrant #13-13 in the amount of \$63,687.81.

Roll Call: ___7___Ayes ___0___Nay ___0___Absent
Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

John Fejedelem – 604 Walnut – commended the response time of DPW, Consumers Energy, Curbco, and the tree companies.

William Lawrence – 326 Spruce – mentioned that he is still having problems with the neighbors cat.

Mayor Lavelle mentioned that the city needs to look into it further.

Dan Davis – 1009 E. Mt. Morris – thanked the DPW, police department, and the fire department for the storm clean up.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

No Unfinished Business.

NEW BUSINESS:

a. RESOLUTION 13-32: Re-Adoption of Fiscal Year 2012/2013 Budget.

Council member Heidenfeldt asked if the cost incurred because of last weeks storm was included in the amendment.

City Manager Tom Darnell stated that some of it is but not everything will come out of general fund.

A motion was made by Council member Michaels and seconded by Council member Middleton to **approve RESOLUTION 13-32: Re-Adoption of Fiscal Year 2012/2013 Budget.**

Roll Call: ___7___Ayes ___0___Nay ___0___Absent
Motion carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None.

COUNCIL MEMBER AND STAFF COMMENTS:

Council member Davis thanked the DPW, police department, and fire department for their work after the storm.

Council member Judkins commended all employees for their great response time.

Council member Heidenfeldt mentioned that they have started on the train gates today. He also mentioned that according to 9-1-1 that in the next 11 months the police and fire departments will be getting new computers. He thanked all of the departments for their work after the storm. He also mentioned that at the last meeting he was against the budget but he voted for it because according to Roberts Rules of Order since he made the motion he had to vote yes on it.

Council member Michaels mentioned that the city did a good job on the clean up.

Council member Middleton thanked all of the departments for their work after the storm.

DPW Superintendent Jeff Roth stated that they are still doing some clean up in the cemetery. They should be done with everything by Wednesday afternoon.

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Interim Assistant Fire Chief Mike Vogt thanked the public and the DPW Superintendent for everything. The fire department responded to 81 incidents in a 6 hour period. He also thanked Genesee Township Station #1 and the city's fire department staff for all their help.

City Manager Tom Darnell stated that the staff did a great job with the clean up and keeping him informed. He stated that he appreciated everyone's efforts and that a lot of hours were put in.

Mayor Lavelle stated that all of the departments did an outstanding job. The city manager also kept council informed by email.

Interim Assistant Fire Chief Mike Vogt mentioned that he talked to the National Weather Service and they say that the city had straight line winds come through in excess of 90mph.

City Attorney Charles Forrest stated the he requested the closed session because it was his opinion that open session could have an adverse effect on possible litigation.

At **6:48 p.m.** a motion was made by Council member Heidenfeldt seconded by Council member Michaels to **approve the request from City Attorney Charles Forrest to go into closed session for the purpose of discussing litigation before the Michigan Tax Tribunal.**

Roll Call: ___6___Ayes ___1___Nay ___0___Absent
Motion carried. (Davis)

At 7:30 p.m., City Council reconvened into open Session.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no further business, the Council Meeting was adjourned at **7:31 p.m.**

Vicki Fishell, Interim City Clerk