

CITY OF NORTON SHORES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
April 18, 2023

A regular meeting of the Norton Shores City Council was held on Tuesday, April 18, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. at the Norton Shores Branch Library Community Room, 705 Seminole Road. Council Member Morgenstern delivered the invocation.

Present: Mayor Nelund and Council Members Flanders, Hylland, Kasher, Morgenstern, Moulatsiotis, Olson and Sowa; also, Doug Hughes, Mark Meyers, Shelly Stibitz, Jim Murphy, Chris Lyonnais, Jon Gale, and Bob Gagnon

Absent: Council Member Jurkas

Correspondence

A presentation was made to council about the precedent-setting Muskegon Area Medication Disposal Program. Opened and outdated medications are incinerated and sealed medications that have not expired are donated and typically used in areas of need around the world.

Chief Gale introduced new Police Officer Matt Brouwer, promoted Sergeant Scott VanWylen and new Police Clinician Kerry Fretty who will be working with the NSPD Crisis Response Specialist Bruce Morningstar and other NSPD officers in responding to active crisis calls in the community.

Public Comment - Agenda

Derek Olsen thanked the city for all their support of his business, The Salty Pecker Brewing Company and addressed the annual liquor license renewal recommendations on the agenda. Mr. Olsen apologized for his oversight in not submitting documentation for the business' personal property exemption and the resulting delinquent tax liability.

23-046 Minutes

Council Member Flanders moved to approve minutes from the March 21 council meeting. The motion was supported by Council Member Sowa and carried unanimously.

23-047 Council Member Hylland moved to approve the minutes from the March 28 work session meeting. The motion was supported by Council Member Morgenstern and carried unanimously.

23-048 Consent

Council Member Moulatsiotis moved to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of: a) Departmental Reports for 1) Police, 2) Fire, 3) Public Works, 4) Administrative Services; and, 5) Library; b) Arts & Drafts Festival Liquor License

Application, c) Muskegon County Child Abuse Council Fundraising Permit, d) Municipal Clerk's Week Proclamation, e) 2023 Liquor License Renewals, f) 2023 Used Car Dealer License Renewals, g) Extend Engineering Services – Norton Watermain Loop, h) Extend Engineering Services – C2R2 Grant – Watermain Extensions and i) Fireworks Permit – Boys and Girls Club, 4460 Cherrywood Ct. The motion was supported by Council Member Kasher and carried unanimously.

23-049 Financial Participation – Mona Lake Channel Dredging

Council Member Moulatsiotis moved to authorize payment of one-half, up to \$50,000, of the total cost to dredge the Mona Lake Channel and adjust the Fiscal Year 2023 Parks and Recreation Budget accordingly. The motion was supported by Council Member Flanders and carried unanimously.

23-050 Water Meter Purchase Authorization

Council Member Moulatsiotis moved to approve the sole source purchase of residential and commercial water meters from Core & Main of Kentwood, Michigan, in the amount of \$103,677.49. The motion was supported by Council Member Kasher and carried unanimously.

23-051 Amend Zoning Ordinance – 2113 W. Sherman Blvd

Council Member Flanders moved to introduce a zone change request for 2113 W. Sherman Blvd. to be rezoned from C-2 General Retail to Planned Unit Development (PUD). The motion was supported by Council Member Moulatsiotis and carried unanimously.

23-052 Special Use Permit – 6523 Grand Haven Road

Council Member Hylland moved to approve the special land use application to Jennifer and Peter Peters to open an in-home day care center at 6523 Grand Haven Road with the following conditions: 1) That the State of Michigan approves the daycare license for this use and address, 2) No more than ten children may be accommodated in any house in a single-family residential area, 3) A separate room or rooms containing a minimum of 150 square feet per child must be available for use by the children, 4) Adequate driveway space to accommodate four cars must be available, 5) No employees may be hired in a day care center located in a residential neighborhood and 6) All other provisions pertaining to any home occupation applicable to a day care center shall be observed. The motion was supported by Council Member Olson and carried unanimously.

23-053 Authorize Additional Expense – Little Black Lake Intercounty Drain Drainage Board

Council Member Sowa moved to authorize, pursuant to Section 196 of the Drain Code, the Little Black Lake Intercounty Drain Drainage Board to expend money for the maintenance and repair of the Little Black Lake Intercounty Drain in excess of

Five Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$5,000.00) per mile or fraction thereof. The motion was supported by Council Member Flanders and carried unanimously.

23-054 Award Bid – Window Installation, City Hall

Council Member Flanders moved to award a contract for installation services for the City Hall Window Replacement project to All Season Windows of Portage, MI at a cost of \$18,024. The motion was supported by Council Member Kasher and carried unanimously.

General Public Comment

Nancy, Stier, 4932 Greenfield Street, shared her frustration with trash that collects at the intersection of Norton Avenue and Seaway over the winter and is not cleaned up at the start of spring. Ms. Stier suggested improving Lake Harbor Park by adding a regular restroom instead of a port-a-jon at the entrance.

Kim Fisher, 1830 Bundt Drive introduced herself as a candidate for City Council Ward I and shared her focus of working with the Police Department related to gun violence.

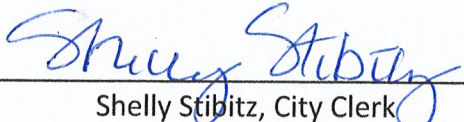
Holly Pelkey, Lead Librarian, provided an update of Library programs and outreach programs including the addition of a Teen Room.

Jennifer Peters, 6523 Grand Haven Road, expressed appreciation for the approval to open a daycare and asked that the crosswalk at Pontaluna and Grand Haven Roads be repaired.

Council Member Hylland reported trash in the former Kmart location and near the carwash that needs to be removed and stated that he is still waiting for information about police vehicle maintenance. Council Member Morgenstern provided an update of the March Board of Review activity and Council Member Moulatsiotis asked about plans for the resurrected Muskegon County air show to which Lt. Poel responded and shared that the show will be smaller than in the past and plans are going well.

City Administrator Mark Meyers and Finance Director Chris Lyonnais distributed the proposed Fiscal Year 2024 budget for review before the April work session.

Meeting adjourned at 6:55 p.m.



Shelly Stibitz, City Clerk