

CITY OF NORTON SHORES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
June 18, 2024

A regular meeting of the Norton Shores City Council was held on Tuesday, June 18, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. at the Norton Shores Branch Library Community Room, 705 Seminole Road.

Present: Mayor Nelund and Council Members Fisher, Hylland, Jurkas, Kasher, Khatir, and Morgenstern; also, Anthony Chandler, Bob Gagnon, Joel Hoeksema, Doug Hughes, Chris Lyonnais, Jim Murphy, Lexi Stibitz, and Ted Woodcock

Absent: Council Members Olson and Sowa

Agenda Public Comment

David Danhof, 1441 Porter Rd, came to the meeting to find out why there were utility markers in his yard. Public Works Director Jim Murphy confirmed Frontier pulled a right-of-way permit for fiber optics in the location he was referring.

Angela Ouellette, 645 E. Ellis Rd, expressed how the development of Robert Hunter Drive would impact her quality of life negatively.

Stephanie Smith, 655 E. Ellis Rd, requested to know the progress of the project on Robert Hunter Drive.

Mike Lonnee, 1418 Rood Point Rd, came to support the PFAS Contract and stated he had been working with Jim Murphy and would like to see it approved and moved forward.

24-062 Minutes

Council Member Jurkas moved to approve minutes from the June 4 City Council meeting. The motion was supported by Council Member Kasher and carried unanimously.

24-063 Consent

Council Member Hylland made a motion to amend the Consent Agenda as the Department Reports were unavailable for public view. The motion was supported by Council Member Jurkas and carried unanimously.

Council Member Hylland moved to approve the Consent Agenda which consisted of: a) Request for Bids – Lake Harbor Trail, Mona Channel to Henry Street b) Request for Bids – All Terrain Vehicle, Parks & Rec c) Request for Bids – Riding Leaf Blower, Parks & Rec. The motion was supported by Council Member Morgenstern and carried unanimously.

24-064 Approve MPTC Employee Group Pay Plan

Council Member Fisher moved to approve the annual pay plan for Management, Professional, Technical, and Clerical (MPTC) employees as presented. The motion was supported by Council Member Kasher and carried unanimously.

24-065 Special Use Permit – 5078 Robert Hunter Drive, Nelson Family Enterprises

Council Member Hylland moved to approve the special land use application to Nelson Family for a warehouse facility at 5078 Robert Hunter Drive and incorporate the Planning Commission's findings of the five factors. The motion was supported by Council Member Jurkas and carried unanimously.

24-066 Zone Change Introduction – 1252 E. Ellis Road, Leanne Wood

Council Member Morgenstern moved to introduce a zone change amendment to Chapter 48 of the City ordinance to rezone 1252 E. Ellis Road from C-3 Major Commercial to Planned Unit Development (PUD). The motion was supported by Council Member Fisher and carried with a roll call vote unanimously.

24-067 Special Use Permit – 7384 Grand Haven Road, Robert McFarland

Council Member Hylland moved to approve the special land use application to Robert McFarland, the property owner, to open a construction shop at 7384 Grand Haven Road and incorporate the Planning Commission's findings of the five factors. The motion was supported by Council Member Jurkas and carried unanimously.

24-068 Approve Sole Source Water Meter Purchase

Council Member Jurkas moved to approve the sole purchase of residential commercial water meters from Core & Main of Kentwood, Michigan, in the amount \$249,300. The motion was supported by Council Member Kasher and carried unanimously.

24-069 Amend – PFAS Contract, Ryerson Brothers Excavating

Council Member Jurkas made a motion to authorize the PFAS Contract Amendment to Ryerson Brothers Excavating agreement for the installation of private water services and well abandonment for the PFAS Part 201 State Grant Funded project in the amount up to \$201,000 which is included in the current FY 2024 budget and the FY 2025 budget. The motion was supported by Fisher and carried unanimously.

24-070 Approve – Cooperative Purchasing Agreement, Structural Firefighting Gear

Council Member Jurkas made a motion to authorize participation in a Purchasing Agreement with Muskegon county Fire Chiefs' Association for the purchase of firefighter turnout gear (coats, pants, harness, helmets, boots, gloves, and hoods) from MacQueen, Municipal Emergency Services, and TJ Nowak Supply for a total cost of \$183,386 and hereby amends the FY 2025 CIP budget for the \$1,286 overage. The motion was supported by Khatir and carried unanimously.

General Public Comment

Angela Ouellette, questioned the amount of parking spots at the Robert Hunter facility in relation to the amount of trucks that the developer stated would be in use. She also stated that the police did not address the noise complaints during the previous development of the Pepsi facility.

Holly Pelkey, Lead Librarian from the Norton Shores Library, gave an overview of all the summer events held at the Norton Shores Library

24-071 Closed Session – Collective Bargaining, POLC Supervisory Unit

Council Member Jurkas moved to go into closed session at 6:26 p.m. to discuss collective bargaining for the POLC Supervisory Unit. The motion was supported by Council Member Kasher and carried unanimously.

The regular City Council meeting resumed at 6:51 p.m.

24-072 Collective Bargaining POLC Supervisory Unit Agreement

Council Member Jurkas moved to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to execute a four-year extension to the collective bargaining agreement between the POLC Supervisory employees and the City, now expiring June 30, 2028. The motion was carried by Council Member Kasher and carried unanimously.

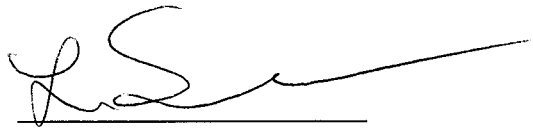
General Public Comment

Council Member Hylland inquired about the Pedal Across Lower Michigan event. He also commented on the improved status of the new water meters and asked if staff could accelerate the meter replacement to recoup the cost of lost water for the older water meters.

Council Member Morgenstern asked for an update of the status of the pickleball courts at Ross Park. City Administrator Anthony Chandler stated they were waiting on the stenciling of the court which pushed back the tentative date of opening but will now be ready any day now with lighting to be installed at a later time.

Anthony Chandler stated he had intended on introducing Jeanine Ferry, Norton Shores' new Human Resource Specialist, before they had gone into closed session with Council saying she had introduced herself to them prior to the meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lexi Stibitz', written over a horizontal line.

Lexi Stibitz, Deputy City Clerk