CITY OF NORTON SHORES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
January 21, 2020

A regular meeting of the Norton Shores City Council was held on Tuesday, January 21, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. in the Norton Shores Branch Library Community Room, 705 Seminole Road. Pastor Doug Vandermolen delivered an invocation.

Present: Mayor Pro Tem Hylland, Council Members Beecham, Jurkas, Morgenstern, Moulatsiotis, Olson and Sladick; also, Mark Meyers, Doug Hughes, Shelly Stibitz, Jerry Bartoszek, Anthony Chandler, Mike Huston, Jon Gale and Bob Gagnon

Absent: Council Member Flanders and Mayor Nelund

Correspondence:

Chief Gagnon introduced Firefighter Sam Ortega, hired July 1, 2019, to City Council and staff.

20-005 Minutes

Council Member Jurkas moved to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2020 council meeting. The motion was supported by Council Member Beecham and carried unanimously.

20-006 Consent

Council Member Moulatsiotis moved to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of: a) Monthly Department Reports for Police, Fire, Public Works, Administrative Services and the Library; b) Revised Resolution – Public Safety Millage Ballot Language; c) Authorize Request for Proposals – Plumbing and Electrical Inspection Services; and d) Authorize Solicitation of Bids – Mona Lake Weed Control. The motion was supported by Council Member Morgenstern and carried unanimously.

20-007 Water Service Connections – Sole Source Bid

Council Member Jurkas moved to award the sole source bid to connect three (3) homes to the city water system by Northern Pipeline Contractors of Spring Lake, MI in the amount of $17,630. The motion was supported by Council Member Beecham and carried unanimously.

20-008 Pavement Marking Contract

Council Member Morgenstern moved to approve participation in the Muskegon County Road Commission pavement marking contract for 2020 with Michigan Pavement Markings of Wyoming, Michigan at a cost of $45,128. The motion was supported by Council Member Sladick and carried unanimously.

20-009 Land Division – 495 E. Pontaluna Road, John & Rebecca Valk

Council Member Sladick moved to grant permission to John & Rebecca Valk to divide the property at 495 E. Pontaluna Road to create one (1) new parcel. The motion was supported by Council Member Beecham and carried unanimously.

20-010 Emergency Purchase – Mona Lake Channel Wall Repair

Council Member Moulatsiotis moved to authorize payment in the amount of $71,060 to TR Ghezzi of Muskegon, MI and amend the FY-2020 Capital Improvement Program budget by $71, 060 for the emergency repair of the north Mona Lake Channel wall. The motion was supported by Council Member Jurkas and carried unanimously.

20-011 Renew Contract – Mechanical Inspection Services

Council Member Beecham moved to authorize renewal of an amended contract with CDS Consulting, LLC (Michael Reagan, Independent Contractor) for mechanical inspection services for a term beginning January 21, 2020 and ending January 31, 2023. The motion was supported by Council Member Olson and carried unanimously.

20-012 Property Sale – 6700 Wood Road

Council Member Beecham moved to accept an offer from Jillane Zuidema, 6808 Wood Road, Norton Shores, MI in the amount of $850 for the purchase of city-owned property located at 6700 Wood Road. The motion was supported by Council Member Jurkas. Council Member Olson moved to postpone action until adjacent property owners are given an opportunity to submit an offer for the purchase of the parcel as well as the current bidder having an opportunity to resubmit an offer. The motion to postpone was supported by Council Member Moulatsiotis and carried 5/2 on a roll call vote with Council Members Jurkas, Morgenstern, Moulatsiotis, Olson and Sladick for; Council Members Beecham and Mayor Pro Tem Hylland against.

General Public Comment

Mr. Ken Gritter, Mr. Jim Bennett, Mr. Brett Sabourin, Mr. Alex Flermoen, Ms. Deb Rockwell, Mr. Richard Jonson and Mr. Dean Runk each addressed the Council to discuss the impact of Mona Lake's high water level on their homes in the Mona Vista subdivision. City staff will follow up on many of the property owners' concerns, including, getting updates from Maranatha and the Mona Lake Improvement Association regarding plans for Mona Lake Channel restoration, discussing repair of Hoyt Street with Muskegon Heights City Manager, keeping informed as to the Governor's intent to declare a state of emergency, informing

residents of any FEMA relief possibilities and keeping legislators aware of the need in our City. Council Member Olson recommended that the residents also contact their State representatives to report the challenges brought on by water that is creeping into their homes. Mr. Don Fischer, 3868 Peninsula, asked if there had been conversation about additional problems lake owners will face next season from wake boats in Mona Lake with the lake level even higher than last year. Police Chief Gale confirmed that wake boats had been a topic of discussion last season and will be monitored on the lake by marine patrol again in the coming season.

Meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Shelly Stibitz, City Clerk