

CITY OF NORTON SHORES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
November 20, 2018

A regular meeting of the Norton Shores City Council was held Monday, November 20, 2018 at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Room, Norton Shores Branch Library, 705 Seminole Road. Pastor Doug Vandermolen delivered the invocation.

Present: Mayor Nelund, Council Members Beecham, Cross, Flanders, Jurkas, Hylland, Morgenstern, Moulatsiotis and Sladick; also, Shelly Stibitz, Anthony Chandler, Doug Hughes, Jerry Bartoszek, Mike Huston, Jon Gale, and Bob Gagnon

18-164 Minutes

Council Member Jurkas moved to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2018 City Council meeting. The motion was supported by Council Member Flanders and carried unanimously.

18-165 Consent Agenda

Council Member Cross moved to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of: a) Monthly Departmental Reports of the Police, Fire, Public Works, Administrative Services and Library; and b) Intersection Solicitation Application – Old Newsies. The motion was supported by Council Member Moulatsiotis and carried unanimously.

18-166 Adopt Ordinance – Section 24-24 Animals, Equestrian Use in Black Lake Park

Council Member Beecham moved to adopt an ordinance amendment to Section 24-24, Animals, for equestrian use on specified marked trails in Black Lake Park during normal park hours. The motion was supported by Council Member Sladick and carried 9/0 on a roll call vote.

18-167 Adopt Traffic Control Orders – Speed Limits, Various Streets

Council Member Jurkas moved to approve Traffic Control Orders for the designation of speed limits on: 1) Bailey Street, Summit Avenue to Cleveland Avenue – increase from 25 mph to 30 mph, based upon an engineering and safety study, pursuant to MCL 257.628; 2) East Ellis Road, Harvey Street to Cul-de-sac (US-31) – increase from 25 mph to 30 mph, based upon an engineering and safety study, pursuant to MCL 257.628; 3) East Mount Garfield Road, Harvey Street to Cul-de-sac (US-31) – increase from 25 mph to 35 mph, based upon an engineering and safety study, pursuant to MCL 257.628; 4) Estes Street, Arbor Avenue to Norton Avenue – increase from 25 mph to 30 mph, based upon an engineering and safety study, pursuant to MCL 257.628; 5) Estes Street, Sherman Boulevard to Cul-de-sac – increase from 25 mph to 30 mph, based upon an engineering and safety study, pursuant to MCL 257.628; 6) Forest Glen Drive,

Forest Park Road to Lake Harbor Road – remain 25 mph, based upon an engineering and safety study, pursuant to MCL 257.628; 7) Harbor Drive, Estes Street to Torrent Street – remain 25 mph, based upon an engineering and safety study, pursuant to MCL 257.628; and 8) Worden Street – remain 25 mph, pursuant to MCL 257.627(2)(d) and identified as a highway segment within the boundaries of a residential subdivision, consisting of a system of interconnected highways with no through highways and a limited number of dedicated highways that serve as entrances to and exits from the subdivision. The motion was supported by Council Member Morgenstern and carried unanimously.

18-168 Award Bid – Sanitary Sewer Televising

Council Member Sladick moved to approve the bid from Kaplin Group, LLC, of Kalamazoo, MI for sanitary sewer televising services in the amount of \$16,085.83. The motion was supported by Council Member Flanders and carried unanimously.

18-169 Special Use Permit – 241 E. Pontaluna Road, Birchwood of Norton Shores

Council Member Jurkas moved to grant a Special Use Permit to Birchwood of Norton Shores for single family residential development in an R-5 and Conservation Cluster Development Overlay district on the property at 214 E. Pontaluna Road as per the submitted plans. The motion was supported by Council Member Morgenstern and carried 8/1 on a roll call vote with Council Member Beecham against.

18-170 Preliminary Plan Approval – 241 E. Pontaluna Road, Birchwood of Norton Shores

Council Member Jurkas moved to approve Preliminary Plan Approval to Birchwood of Norton Shores for the proposed Birch Forest Site Condominium at 241 E. Pontaluna Road as per the submitted plans. The motion was supported by Council Member Flanders and carried 8/1 on a roll call vote with Council Member Beecham against.

Public Comment – General

Allen Branch, Branch Construction, Developer for Birchwood of Norton Shores, addressed some of the City Council's concerns regarding his project at 241 E. Pontaluna Road. Mr. Branch explained that the result of a study determined that there are no natural wetlands on this property and the proposed plan includes a water retention and main pond designed to collect water run-off.

Bill O'Brien, Mona Shores Superintendent, expressed appreciation to the City Clerk and her team for what he felt was incredible work considering the unprecedented voter turnout during the November 6, 2018 election. Superintendent O'Brien, also, thanked Police Chief Gale and Officer Passchier for their work in helping Mona Shores attain the maximum Michigan State Police

grant amount of \$250,000 based on the program model created and designed by the Chief and his team.

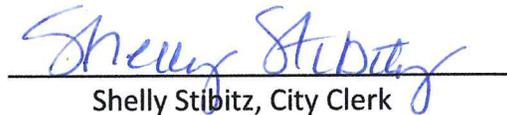
Kathy Kuharevicz, 4048 Oak Hollow Court, spoke to City Council about a safety issue near Forest Park, Dunes Parkway, Treeline Drive and her home. There are large overgrown trees near the intersections in this area that limits the view of Stop signs and pedestrians.

Council Member Cross shared Muskegon County's updated economic vision and the upcoming ReThink West Michigan event being held the day before Thanksgiving to entice people back to West Michigan being attended by area top employers.

Council Member Jurkas praised the Police Department, Officer Morningstar and Officer Trombley for the Women's Self Defense Training course that she is currently attending and encourage others to take the course.

Council members discussed a recent announcement that the railroad bridge overpasses will be painted.

Meeting adjourned at 6:12 p.m.



Shelly Stibitz, City Clerk