

**Fraser City Council - Regular Meeting
Thursday – October 11, 2012 - 7:00 P.M.
Municipal Building**

A Regular Meeting of the Fraser City Council was conducted on the above date at the City Municipal Building, located at 33000 Garfield Road, Fraser, County of Macomb, Michigan.

Present: Mayor Hagerty and Council Members Accavitti, Blanke, Carnagie,
Cilluffo, Jennings and Morelli
Absent: None
Also Present: Richard E. Haberman, City Manager
Kathy Kacanowski, City Clerk
Jack Dolan, City Attorney

1. **Call Meeting to Order** - Mayor Hagerty called the regular meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Approval of Agenda**

Member Carnagie moved, seconded by Member Morelli, to APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

The motion carried unanimously.

4. **Citizen Participation on Agenda Items** - none

5. **Presentations**

a) Robert Brannon, spoke regarding the upcoming Goodfellows paper drive, which will be held November 30, December 1 and 2. He requested approval to include the Masonic/Utica intersection in their solicitation drive.
Manager Haberman advised he will provide an Ordinance amendment to the November meeting.

b) Interim Recreation Director, Christina Woods, provided information on upcoming recreational events and senior programs.
Parks and Recreation Commission member, Lynn Evans, praised Ms. Woods on her enthusiasm.

6. **Public Hearings**

Public Hearing and City Council consideration to approve the Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption request from Eifel Mold, located at 31071 Fraser Dr., in the amount of \$1,567,439 to purchase new equipment which will add 7 new jobs and retain 21 current jobs.

Mayor Hagerty opened the public hearing at 7:15 p.m.

Jim Ahee, Macomb County, and Rick Hecker, Eifel Mold, were present to answer any questions relative to this request.
Joe DiStefano, 32102 DiStefano Ct., spoke regarding this item.

Mayor Hagerty closed the public hearing at 7:21 p.m.

Member Morelli moved, seconded by Member Accavitti, to APPROVE THE INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES TAX EXEMPTION REQUEST FROM EIFEL MOLD, LOCATED AT 31071 FRASER DR., IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,567,439 TO PURCHASE NEW EQUIPMENT WHICH IS ESTIMATED TO CREATE 7 NEW JOBS AND RETAIN 21 CURRENT JOBS FOR A PERIOD OF 12 YEARS.

The motion carried unanimously.

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7. Consent Agenda

Member Accavitti moved, seconded by Member Carnagie, to APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS AS PRESENTED.

- a. Approval of Minutes of the September 13, 2012 Regular Council meeting.
- b. Approval of Bills for the Month of September 2012 in the amount of \$1,114,128.16
- c. Receive and file the Minutes of the August 15, 2012 Planning Commission meeting.
- d. Receive and file the Minutes of the August 14, 2012 Recreation Commission meeting.

The motion carried unanimously.

8. Requests For Council Action

- a. **Request Council adopt a Resolution supporting amendments to grant application for Barrier Free Park.**

Vania Apps and Linda Davis Kirksey provided an update and explanation on the grant request for the Barrier Free Park.

Member Blanke moved, seconded by Member Carnagie, to ADOPT A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AMENDMENTS TO THE GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE BARRIER FREE PARK.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the City of Fraser recently and unanimously adopted and supported the submission of Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund Application on April 2, 2012 which supports the development of a barrier free park at the current site of McKinley Park in Fraser, Michigan;

WHEREAS, the City of Fraser had included in the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Fund application a financial cash support commitment via the stellar fundraising efforts of the Fraser First Booster Club; a 501© 3 organization which was created in 2010 and has steadily raised funds for the purpose and development of the barrier free park at McKinley Park. The Fraser First Booster Club cash contribution at the time of the April 2, 2012 application was 22,671.00. In addition the City of Fraser Parks and Recreation Department has committed 34,650.00 towards the cash match prior to the formation of the Fraser First Booster Club 501© 3.

WHEREAS, since the April 2, 2012 submission that the City of Fraser has been requested to supply additional supplemental information in order to finalize the evaluation of the grant application by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund Board;

WHEREAS, as part of the supplemental information required by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources grants management office, that the City of Fraser is appreciative and acknowledges the efforts that since the April 2, 2012 submission to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources that the Fraser First Booster Club has raised additional funds and has committed additional cash funds towards the development of the barrier free park at McKinley Park to now total 29,500.00

WHEREAS, the City of Fraser acknowledges and accepts with gratitude and hereby commits the above stated cash funds raised by the Fraser First Booster Club.

WHEREAS, the City of Fraser now commits further the proposed cash and in-kind match towards the proposed grant application grant application is now at least 52% of the overall proposed project in the amount of \$619,790.00. The

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total cost being sought from the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund is in the amount of \$300,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Fraser City Council and Mayor hereby adopts and supports the City of Fraser's Supplemental materials in the form additional cash match as provided via the Fraser First Booster Club and certifies that as officials of the applicant City of Fraser are empowered to make the necessary commitments to apply for this grant and the necessary supplemental materials requested by the Michigan Department of Natural resources Trust Fund 2012.

The motion carried unanimously.

- b. Request Council set a public hearing on Wednesday, October 24, 2012 at 7:00 PM to consider an application for Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption from HHI FormTech, located at 18450 Fifteen Mile Road, in the amount of \$4,178,249 expected to preserve 69 jobs and create another 33 jobs within two years.**

Manager Haberman advised Council that HHI FormTech is prepared to pay for the cost of a special meeting, including televising the meeting.

Member Accavitti moved, seconded by Member Jennings TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING FOR WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2012 AT 7:00 PM TO CONSIDER AN APPLICATION FOR AN INDUSTRIAL FACILITIES TAX EXEMPTION FROM HHI FORMTECH, LOCATED AT 18450 FIFTEEN MILE ROAD, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,178,249 EXPECTED TO PRESERVE 69 JOBS AND CREATE ANOTHER 33 JOBS WITHIN TWO YEAR.S

The motion carried unanimously.

- c. Request Council award bid for S-2 Grant paid sewer cleaning project in the amount of \$459,232 to Lake County Sewer Company, Inc.**

Member Blanke moved, seconded by Member Jennings, TO AWARD BID FOR S-2 GRANT PAID SEWER CLEANING PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$459,232 TO LAKE COUNTY SEWER COMPANY, INC.

The motion carried unanimously.

9. Report of City Administration/Pending Items

Manager Haberman provided Council with a summary of the recent MML conference he attended. The focus of the conference was on Placemaking with topics including Innovation, Infrastructure and Economic Development.

He further advised that hydrant flushing will occur in October and November from 8am until 8pm. This notification has also been included on the water bills, website and cable station.

Manager Haberman spoke relative to the recent water bills. He advised that several residents have contacted the office concerned with the increase in the fixed cost and rates. Discussion followed with an explanation of how the fixed costs are calculated. It was determined that the terminology "fixed charge" has caused some confusion and changing the terminology may be helpful.

10. Report of Mayor and City Council/New Business

Mayor and Council discussed various topics. Member Jennings requested that a cost estimate be prepared for consideration of having a Code Enforcement Officer

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be available to work on Fridays and Saturdays.

11. Citizen Participation

The following residents spoke on various topics:

Janice Litch, 31149 Amurcon
Joe DiStefano, 32102 DiStefano Ct.

At this time, 9:01pm, Mayor Hagerty requested a pause while the video tape was being changed. The meeting resumed at 9:02pm.

Bob Buffa, 31186 Elodie
Gloria Buffa, 31186 Elodie
Joe Chimenti, 33716 Janet

12. Adjournment

Member Jennings moved, seconded by Member Accavitti, to ADJOURN THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2012 AT 9:09 P.M.

The motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy Kacanowski, City Clerk

Doug Hagerty, Mayor

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