

Minutes
Fraser City Council – Regular Meeting – (Virtual)
August 13th, 2020

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

Present: Mayor Carnagie, Council Members; Baranski, Blanke, Kalka, Lesich, Schornak and Winowiecki

Absent:

Also Present: Kelly Dolland, City Clerk

Donald DeNault, City Attorney

- 1. Call Meeting to Order** – Mayor Carnagie called the Regular Virtual meeting to order at 6:05pm.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States**
- 3. Roll Call of Council Members**

Members: Baranski, Blanke, Carnagie, Kalka, Lesich, Schornak and Winowiecki present.

4. Approval of Agenda

Member CARNAGIE moved, second by Member BLANKE, TO AMEND AGENDA TO ADD EXTENSION OF CITY OF FRASER COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY THROUGH SEPTEMBER 10TH, 2020.

Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnagie	yes
Kalka	yes
Lesich	yes
Schornak	yes
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 7-0

Member KALKA moved, second by Member BARANSKI, TO AMEND AGENDA TO MOVE ITEM 10. STANDING ITEMS, UNFINISHED BUSINESS / PROJECT STATUS UPDATES A., B., C., D., TO 8. REQUESTS FOR COUNCIL ACTION ITEM H., I., J., K.

Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnagie	yes
Kalka	yes
Lesich	yes
Schornak	yes
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 7-0

Member WINOWIECKI moved, second by Member KALKA, TO APPROVE AGENDA AS AMENDED.

Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnagie	yes

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Kalka	yes
Lesich	yes
Schornak	yes
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 7-0

5. Closed Session –

a. Closed Session – Section 8 (C) of the Open Meetings Act for Strategy and Negotiation Sessions Connected with the Negotiation of a Collective Bargaining Agreement (Sergeants)

Member CARNAGIE moved, second by Member SCHORNAK, TO ENTER CLOSED SESSION – SECTION 8 (C) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT FOR STRATEGY AND NEGOTIATION SESSIONS CONNECTED WITH THE NEGOTIATION OF A COLLECTIVE BARGAINING AGREEMENT (SERGEANTS)

Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnegie	yes
Kalka	yes
Lesich	yes
Schornak	yes
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 7-0

Enter Closed Session meeting 6:12pm

Meeting called to Session 6:46pm

Member BARANSKI moved, second by Member KALKA, TO RATIFY THE PRE-RATIFIED COLLECTIVE BARGAINING SUCCESSOR AGREEMENT AS PRESENTED BY COMMAND OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF MICHIGAN IN JULY 20TH, 2020.

Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnegie	yes
Kalka	yes
Lesich	yes
Schornak	yes
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 7-0

6. Citizen Participation on Agenda Items

7. Consent Agenda

- a. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of July 9th, 2020
- b. Approval of Minutes of the Special Council Meeting of July 23rd, 2020
- c. Receive and File Budget to Actual through June 2020
- d. Approval of Bills for the month of July - 2020 in the amount of 3,940,273.75
- e. Receive and File Finance Budget to Actual Report ending June, 2020
- f. Receive and File Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes of June 2nd, 2020

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g. Recreation and Senior Center Update

Member WINOWIECKI moved, second by Member LESICH, TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnegie	yes
Kalka	yes
Lesich	yes
Schornak	yes
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 7-0

8. Requests for Council Action

a. Tabled Item – Permission to Hire a Replacement DPW Laborer Position – Amy Cell, LLC for HR Services

Member SCHORNAK moved, second by Member LESICH, TO REMOVE TABLED ITEM – PERMISSION TO HIRE A REPLACEMENT DPW LABORER POSITION – AMY CELL, LLC FOR HR SERVICES.

Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnegie	yes
Kalka	yes
Lesich	yes
Schornak	yes
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 7-0

City of Fraser H.R. Director Amy Cell stated H.R. has moved forward with the hiring process of a DPW Laborer. Conversation ensued.

Member BARANSKI moved, second by Member BLANKE, TO APPROVE THE CITY TO PROCEED FORWARD WITH THE INTERVIEW AND HIRE OF A LABORER POSITION.

Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnegie	yes
Kalka	yes
Lesich	yes
Schornak	yes
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 7-0

b. Discussion and Update Interim City Manager Interview – Amy Cell, LLC with Marc Thompson

HR Director Amy Cell introduced Interim City Manager Candidate Marc Thompson.

Marc Thompson spoke of his experience, availability and Interim City Manager interest.

Conversation ensued regarding, 4-6-month assignment, audit experience, staff moving in the same direction,

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opportunity to work remotely, salary range of \$8,400 - \$12,000 a month, Don DeNault negotiation of employment contract with Mr. Thompson.

Member KALKA, moved, second by Member WINOWIECKI, TO APPROVE RESOLUTION TO APPOINT MARC THOMPSON AS INTERIM CITY MANAGER START SEPTEMBER 1ST, 2020 OR SOONER WITH CITY ATTORNEY DON DENAULT EXECUTE AN EMPLOYMENT RESOLUTION NOT TO EXCEED 6-MONTHS.

Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnegie	yes
Kalka	yes
Lesich	no
Schornak	yes
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 6-1

Conversation ensued regarding an Acting City Manager.

Member Kalka spoke in favor of Amy Cell as Acting City Manager.

Member BARANSKI moved, second by Member KALKA, TO APPROVE MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION TO APPOINT AMY CELL AS ACTING CITY MANAGER FOR THE CITY OF FRASER AS PRESENTED.

Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnegie	no
Kalka	yes
Lesich	no
Schornak	yes
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 5-2

c. Tabled Item - Discussion of City of Fraser Hazard Mitigation Plan

Member CARNAGIE moved, second by Member SCHORNAK, TO REMOVE TABLED ITEM – DISCUSSION OF CITY OF FRASER HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN APPROVAL.

Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnegie	yes
Kalka	yes
Lesich	yes
Schornak	yes
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 7-0

Interim Director Mike Pettyes requested Council approval for the Hazard Mitigation Plan.

Conversation ensued.

Member BARANSKI moved, second by Member LESICH, TO APPROVE THE CITY OF FRASER HAZARD MITIGATION PLAN AS PRESENTED.

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Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnegie	yes
Kalka	yes
Lesich	yes
Schornak	yes
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 7-0

d. Discussion Item – Increase to Two City Council Meetings Per Month

Member Baranski spoke of the need to schedule two City Council meeting per month.

Conversation ensued.

Discussion to be placed on September 10th, 2020 agenda

e. Discussion Item – Consider Request for Proposals for IT Services

Member Winowiecki requested an RFP, Request for Proposal to outsource the City of Fraser I.T. Services.

Member Kalka supported a RFP for I.T. Services.

Conversation ensued.

Member WINOWIECKI moved, second by Member BARANSKI, TO DRAFT AND POPULATE AN RFP THAT WOULD FOCUS ON AN EVALUATION OF WHAT OUR CURRENT SYSTEMS ARE AND CURRENT PROCEDURES AND MAKE A RECOMMENDATION TO WHAT THEY WOULD DO TO IMPROVE AND ALSO SUBMIT COST TO BE COMPLETED BY SEPTEMBER 30TH, 2020 AND PRESENTED AT THE OCTOBER 8TH, 2020 REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING.

Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnegie	yes
Kalka	yes
Lesich	no
Schornak	yes
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 6-1

Member LESICH moved, second by Member BARANSKI, TO DIRECT THE IT DIRECTOR TO CONTACT CIVIC PLUS, OUR WEBSITE HOST AND INQUIRE COST OF AN UPGRADE TO THEIR NEW PLATFORM AND CONTRACTED SERVICES TO UPGRADE CITY WEBSITE TO MODERN TIMES.

Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnegie	yes
Kalka	yes
Lesich	yes
Schornak	yes
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 7-0

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Council recess at 8:45pm

Council called back to order 8:50pm

f. Approval to Hire Two Additional Public Safety Officers to Replace Anticipated Retirements

Interim Public Safety Director Mike Pettyes spoke of the succession plan, anticipated retirements and maintaining 29 officers on staff.

Conversation ensued.

Member Schornak advised to work through HR Director Amy Cell.

Member CARNAGIE moved, second by Member WINOWIECKI, TO APPROVE THE HIRE OF TWO ADDITIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICERS TO REPLACE ANTICIPATED RETIREMENTS.

Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnegie	yes
Kalka	yes
Lesich	yes
Schornak	yes
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 7-0

g. Discussion of Extension of the City of Fraser Covid-19 State of Emergency Through September 10th, 2020

Member KALKA moved, second by Member WINOWIECKI, TO APPROVE THE EXTENSION OF THE CITY OF FRASER COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY THROUGH September 13th, 2020.

Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnegie	yes
Kalka	yes
Lesich	yes
Schornak	yes
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 7-0

h. Status Update of Hidden Pines Senior Apartments Management Company RFP – Mark Z

Interim DPW Director Nick Schaefer spoke on topic and will locate Mark Z cost comparison list sheet.

Conversation ensued.

Member Blanke spoke of pot holes in the Senior Housing parking lot, Interim DPW Director Nick Schaefer addressed the parking lot pot holes.

i. Update on City Parks Capital Improvements

Interim DPW Director Nick Schaefer stated park construction will begin in September with completion in late October. Conversation ensued regarding city tennis courts, possible project time line made public.

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j. Update on Infrastructure Improvements – Water Main Replacements and Fruehauf Road Re-surfacing

Interim DPW Director Nick Schaefer stated all projects are going as planned.

k. Discussion of Changing to 24 – Hour Shifts for the Public Safety Department

Member Baranski provided an update regarding Council Committee actions.

Member Kalka spoke of the need to fill the Public Safety Director position with a permanent position, suggested Interim Director Pettyes assist in the recruitment.

Member Carnegie stated City Council must fill City Manager, Finance Director, DPW positions then Public Safety Director.

Meeting disc change.

Meeting called to order 10:06pm.

Member KALKA moved, second by Member SCHORNAK, TO DIRECT EITHER AMY CELL OR CITY ATTORNEY TO PUT OUT FOR AN EMPLOYMENT POSITION FOR A FULL TIME PUBLIC SAFETY DIRECTOR, PART OF JOB DESCRIPTION AND EXPERIENCE TO HAVE EITHER IMPLEMENTATION OR MANAGING 24 HOUR SHIFT.

Member Blanke asked Interim Public Safety Director Mike Pettyes when he will retire.

Conversation ensued.

Member KALKA moved, second by Member SCHORNAK.

Roll Call Vote:

Baranski	yes
Blanke	yes
Carnegie	no
Kalka	yes
Lesich	no
Schornak	no
Winowiecki	yes

Motion carried 4-3

10. PENDING ITEMS OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS / REPORT OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATION

a. Property Maintenance Enforcement Options – Don DeNault

City Attorney Don DeNault spoke of the need to update the property maintenance code.

Conversation ensued.

11. REPORT OF MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL / NEW BUSINESS

Blanke: Thanked Patrice Schornak, Nancy Berube and Ms. Hanke with the Farmer's Market.

Carnegie: City of Fraser does not have a Rat Policy, need a rat ordinance or something similar, Covid-19 cases rose in Macomb County, new ambulance.

Baranski: Congratulated Mayor Carnegie, condolences to the Sexauer Family, thanked council, employees and residents.

Kalka: Requested a Parks & Recreation update in September, requested John Walters deep dive into motor pool. Thanked Amy Cell.

Lesich: Thanked election workers, and stated has a MML Level 1 Elected Official status.

Schornak: Condolences to John Sexauer family

Winowiecki: Spoke highly of Amy Cell, welcome Mr. Thompson as Interim City Manager, move things forward.

12. Citizen Participation

Resident Tom McCoy spoke on topic

13. Adjournment

Member WINOWIECKI moved, second by Member LESICH, TO ADJOURN THE REGULAR VIRTUAL COUNCIL MEETING OF AUGUST 13TH, 2020 @ 10:52PM.

The motion carried unanimously,
Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Dolland, City Clerk

Michael Carnagie, Mayor