



City of Fraser

CENTENNIAL COMMUNITY

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MAYOR PRO-TEM
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Patrick O'Dell
Kenny Perry
Patrice Schornak
Sherry Stein

**FRASER CITY COUNCIL
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
33000 GARFIELD, FRASER, MI 48026
THURSDAY, JULY 11, 2024 @ 6:30 P.M.
AS APPROVED AUGUST 8, 2024**

The Regular meeting of the Fraser City Council was held on Thursday, July 11, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. in City Council Chambers, 33000 Garfield, Fraser, MI 48026.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro-Tem Sutherland called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Pro-Tem Sutherland led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

The following members were present:

O'Dell, Perry, Schornak, Stein, Sutherland

Mayor Lesich was absent

Motion by Stein, supported by Baranski to excuse Mayor Lesich from the meeting.

AYES: Baranski, O'Dell, Perry, Schornak, Stein, Sutherland

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lesich

Motion Carried

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Schornak, supported by Baranski to approve the agenda of the July 11, 2024 City Council Meeting.

AYES: Baranski, O'Dell, Perry, Schornak, Stein, Sutherland

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lesich

Motion Carried

5. CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS

Nothing at this time.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

- a. City Council Meeting Minutes June 13, 2024
- b. Recreation Commission Meeting Minutes April 2, 2024
- c. Planning Commission Meeting Minutes May 1, 2024
- d. Historical Commission Meeting Minutes May 6, 2024
- e. MCDR ROW Revocable License
- f. Munetrix Contract Renewal
- g. CRWC One Year Contract Extension
- h. Huntington Bank Resolution
- i. Comerica Bank Resolution
- j. Check Disbursements
- k. Revenue and Expenditure Report

Motion by O'Dell supported by Stein to approve Consent Agenda as presented

AYES: Baranski, O'Dell, Perry, Schornak, Stein, Sutherland

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lesich

Motion Carried

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. El Charro Proclamation

Fraser City Council Proclaimed July 13 as George & Delia Martin day from here forward

b. Fraser First Booster Club Project Proposal

Fraser First Booster Club presented an outline for potential renovations to Steffens Park. At his request, Councilmember O'Dell's original motion was reworded by the City Attorney and was voted on in the form below.

Motion by O'Dell, supported by Sutherland that The City of Fraser supports the Fraser First Booster Club in its efforts at developing a project of the nature presented at Steffens Park and will continue to collaborate with Fraser First Booster Club as that vision moves forward.

AYES: O'Dell, Perry, Schornak, Stein, Sutherland

NAYS: Baranski

ABSENT: Lesich

Motion Carried

c. DIA Partners in Public Art Resolution

Council sought assurance they would have final approval of any potential mural artwork in the park.

Motion by Stein supported by Baranski to adopt the resolution in support of the application to participate in the DIA's Partners in Public Art program.

AYES: Baranski, O'Dell, Perry, Schornak, Stein, Sutherland

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Lesich

Motion Carried

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d. OMIDD Bond Prepayment

Motion by Schornak supported by O'Dell that the City adopt a resolution and affirming its intention to prepay its 2024 drain assessment for this Project segment, and forward same to County no later than July 12, 2024, and make full payment of the assessment no later than August 9, 2024.

AYES: Baranski, O'Dell, Perry, Schornak, Stein, Sutherland

NAYS:

ABSENT: Lesich

e. McKenna Fee Increase

Motion by Baranski supported by Schornak to approve the McKenna proposal to increase development review fees and hourly rates beginning in the 2024-25 fiscal year.

AYES: Baranski, Perry, Schornak, Stein, Sutherland

NAYS: O'Dell

ABSENT: Lesich

Motion Carried

f. Roseville Building Department Proposal

After the agenda was prepared, McKenna presented a counter offer to continue providing services

Motion by Baranski supported by Schornak to postpone the Roseville Building Department Proposal until the August 8th meeting in order for administration to evaluate the most recent McKenna proposal

AYES: Baranski, O'Dell, Perry, Schornak, Stein, Sutherland

NAYS:

ABSENT: Lesich

Motion Carried

g. City Manager Review Timeline

Attorney DeNault presented the following timeline for the CM review:

Week of July 15th, City Attorney will send out the forms for 11 days

July 26th they will be due back to the City Attorney

August 5th is the City Attorney deadline to compile the information and circulate it to Mayor and Council

August 8th the evaluation will be held in open or closed session.

Motion by Schornak supported by Baranski to approve the City Manager's evaluation timeline as presented by City Attorney DeNault

AYES: Baranski, O'Dell, Perry, Schornak, Stein, Sutherland

NAYS:

ABSENT: Lesich

Motion Carried

8. RETURNING BUSINESS

None at this time

9. REPORT OF CITY ADMINISTRATION

City Manager Levin

State budget increased revenue sharing by 25%, but a slight decrease in sales tax payment.

GLWA will credit \$125,000 back to the city the Highland Park water settlement. There will be a budget amendment needed to cover the property liability insurance cost increase, but expected to go down in the future.

Unclaimed property at the State, the City of Fraser found \$1,000!

Axe My Tax proposal did not get enough signatures, will not be on the November Ballot

Kelly Rd is now open

Garfield Road project starts July 22 through August of 2025

VC3 Security Awareness Training is important, look for it

City of Fraser received \$4 million dollars to repave industrial park roads

City Attorney DeNault

Sheetz filed their appeal to the City Planning Commission's project denial from the Planning Commission. The City Attorney's Office received it and responded to their attorney. City Attorney predicts that Sheetz will be an agenda item on the September meeting.

City Attorney DeNault also summarized the original request by Sheetz for Council.

Motion by Baranski, Schornak seconds that City Councilmembers not have key fob access to the Fraser Municipal Building beyond public access.

Council members decided after the motion was made to table the issue until the August Regular City Council Meeting. City Attorney DeNault advised them that a motion to postpone would take precedence over the current motion on the floor.

Motion by O'Dell seconded by Stein postpone this motion until the August Regular City Council Meeting

AYES: Stein, Sutherland, Baranski

NAYS: O'Dell, Perry, Schornak

ABSENT: Lesich

Motion Fails

Vote on the original **Motion** by Baranski, Schornak seconds that City Councilmembers not have key fob access to the Fraser Municipal Building beyond public access.

AYES: Stein, Sutherland, Baranski

NAYS: O'Dell, Perry, Schornak

ABSENT: Lesich

Motion Fails

Councilmember Stein requests that the item be brought back at the next regular Council Meeting in August.

10. REPORT OF MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

Perry: *nothing at this time*

Schornak: *Historical Commission Barn Sale August 4th, from 9 to 4 - Donations welcome 530 to 730 on Wednesdays. St. Pio is having a festival same weekend as Fraser Carnival. Councilwoman Schornak expressed her enthusiastic opinion against the proposed charter amendment petition drive because of potential lawsuits the poor language would bring.*

Stein: *Fraser First Boosters meeting Tuesday at 6pm at the Library. 11am Bike parade at McKinley coming up that she will pass out bike safety equipment.*

Baranski: *Encouraged people to join the Fraser Lions Club and participate in the community*

O'Dell: *Promoted the Fraser Lions carnival, parade and fireworks. Fraser First Booster Club has an active raffle for e-bikes.*

Sutherland: *nothing at this time*

Lesich: absent

11. CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Ken Stonebreaker on Oxford Court, expressed concerns about the potential shared services agreement with Roseville.

Laura Lesich of Fairview, thanked Council for their vote on the Fraser First park proposal, and shared ideas for where it could go from here. Mom's of Macomb Bike Parade is organized to raise money for a bike rack. 17 businesses are participating in the art door fundraiser.

Jim Sutherland of Fraser Library Board described the Fraser Library programming available at FraserPublicLibrary.com. Residents can now check out laptops with Wi-Fi hotspots. Summer reading program is in full swing, and the Library's 60th anniversary is in August.

12. CLOSED SESSION

Motion by Baranski, supported by Stein to enter into Closed Session for the purpose of a strategy session on the collective bargaining agreement with POAM

AYES: Baranski, O'Dell, Perry, Schornak, Stein, Sutherland

NAYS:

ABSENT: Lesich

Motion Carried

Council entered into Closed Session at 8:33PM

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Council called back to order by Mayor Pro-Tem Sutherland at 8:44pm

Motion by Baranski, supported by O'Dell to approve the MOU with City of Fraser and the Police Officers Association of Michigan

AYES: Baranski, O'Dell, Perry, Schornak, Stein, Sutherland

NAYS:

ABSENT: Lesich

Motion Carried

13. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Schornak, supported by Stein to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting at 8:46PM

Respectfully Submitted:

August R. Gitschlag, Clerk
City of Fraser

Dana Sutherland, Mayor Pro-Tem
City of Fraser