

CITY OF NORTON SHORES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 19, 2016

A regular meeting of the Norton Shores City Council was held Tuesday, July 19, 2016 at 5:30 p.m. in the Community Room, Norton Shores Branch Library, 705 Seminole Road. The invocation was delivered by Pastor Doug VanderMolen.

The City Clerk administered the Oath of Office to Council Member Roger Morgenstern.

Present: Mayor Nelund, Council Members Beecham, Dolack, Flanders, Hylland, Jurkas, Morgenstern and Moulatsiotis; also Mark Meyers, Anthony Chandler, Mike Huston, Jerry Bartoszek, Bob Gagnon, Jon Gale, Lynne Fuller and Doug Hughes

Excused: Council Member Martines

16-106 Comment on Agenda Items

With regard to the proposed closing of Seminole Woods Drive, Mr. John Jurkas of 3463 Brentwood Street expressed that he would like to see that area returned to its natural state as opposed to erecting a gate.

16-107 Minutes

Council Member Dolack moved to adopt the minutes of the July 5, 2016 City Council meeting. The motion was supported by Council Member Flanders and carried unanimously.

16-108 Consent Agenda

Council Member Jurkas moved to adopt the Consent Agenda which consisted of: a) June 2016 Monthly Reports, and b) Minutes of the June 14, 2016 Planning Commission meeting. The motion was supported by Council Member Moulatsiotis and carried unanimously.

16-109 Public Hearing – Street Closure – Seminole Woods Drive

The City Clerk certified the publishing and mailing of the public notice.

A public hearing was held. There were no comments from the public regarding the proposal. The developer, Mr. Ken Johnson, explained the reason for his request which was supported by the residents of the development. The City Council discussed the need for a secondary emergency access. Staff explained that the second access is required by the 2009 Edition of the International Fire Code, adopted by the City Council, based on the number of lots in the development.

Council Member Dolack moved to adopt a resolution closing Seminole Woods Drive from Norton Woods Drive to Norton Avenue with the following conditions: 1) The right of way that will revert to the developer will be retained by the City as a utility easement; 2) A secondary access will be provided meeting the approval of the Fire Department; and 3) The developer will amend the condominium master deed reflecting the change. The motion was supported by Council Member Beecham and carried 5-3 on a roll call vote. Ayes: Mayor Nelund and Council Members Beecham, Dolack, Morgenstern and Moulatsiotis. Nays: Council Members Flanders, Hylland and Jurkas.

16-110 Introduction of Ordinance – Zone Change – Lorraine McCombs Wright, 1032 Airport Road

Council Member Jurkas moved to introduce an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to change the zoning on the property at 1032 Airport Road from C-2 General Retail to R-2 Single Family Residential. The motion was supported by Council Member Flanders and carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

16-111 Introduction of Ordinance – Zone Change – Michael Knapp, 1249 E. Pontaluna Road

Council Member Moulatsiotis moved to introduce an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance to change the zoning on the westerly 425 feet of the property at 1249 E. Pontaluna Road from GI General Industrial to C-3 Major Commercial. The motion was supported by Council Member Jurkas and carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

16-112 Introduction of Ordinance – Zoning Ordinance Amendment – Sign Provisions

Council Member Jurkas moved to introduce an amendment to the Zoning Ordinance pertaining to the height of off-premise advertising signs and ground-mounted signs. The motion was supported by Council Member Flanders and carried unanimously on a roll call vote.

16-113 Special Use Permit – Dorman Day Care, 2890 Vulcan Street

Council Member Jurkas moved to adopt a resolution granting a special use permit to Dorman Day Care for day care usage for up to 10 children on the property at 2890 Vulcan Street in accordance with the submitted plans and with the condition that the property owner must maintain her State license. The motion was supported by Council Member Flanders and carried unanimously.

16-114 Purchase Authorization – Police Vehicles – Michigan Cooperative Purchasing Contract

Council Member Dolack moved to adopt a resolution authorizing the purchase of one supervisor vehicle and three patrol vehicles for the Police Department through the Michigan Cooperative Purchasing Program in a total amount of \$119,832. The motion was supported by Council Member Jurkas and carried unanimously.

Comments

Ms. Alison Purgiel of the Norton Shores Branch of the Muskegon Area District Library reminded the Council about the library millage proposal that is on the August 2nd ballot. She also extended an invitation to hear a presentation from Randy Riley, State Librarian from the Library of Michigan scheduled for Wednesday, July 20th at 10:00 a.m.

Council Member Dolack inquired about the status of information he provided regarding the availability of airport property to be developed as a cemetery. Mayor Nelund said staff is following up with Airport Manager Jeff Tripp.

Mr. Meyers welcomed Council Member Morgenstern on behalf of City staff. He also expressed appreciation for the public support being shown to our public safety personnel, especially the Police Department.

Meeting adjourned at 6:28 p.m.



Lynne A. Fuller, City Clerk