

FARMINGTON CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING

A regular meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on Monday, September 17, 2007 in Council Chambers, 23600 Liberty Street, Farmington, Michigan. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1976.

The meeting was called to order at 8:13 p.m. by Mayor McShane.

**PRESENT:** Buck, Knol, McShane, Wiggins, Wright.

**ABSENT:** None.

**CITY ADMINISTRATION:** Director Gushman, City Clerk Halberstadt, Director Nebus, City Manager Pastue, Attorney Schultz, Treasurer Weber.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**09-07-160** MOTION by Wiggins, seconded by Buck, to approve the following items on the consent agenda:

- Special and Regular Meeting Minutes of August 20, 2007
- Special Meeting Minutes of September 4, 2007
- Farmington Monthly Payments Report – August 2007
- Monthly Public Safety Report – August 2007
- Schedule a Public Hearing re: 2008 Community Development Block Grant Application
- 401 and 457 Deferred Compensation Plan Amendments

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**APPROVAL OF REGULAR AGENDA**

**09-07-161** MOTION by Knol, seconded by Wiggins, to approve the agenda as submitted. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**PRESENTATIONS/PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**PROMOTIONAL CEREMONY – COMMANDER TED WARTHMAN**

A ceremony was held in recognition of Ted Warthman's promotion to Commander in the Public Safety Department (DPS). Mayor McShane presented Commander Warthman with a "Certificate of Promotion" and recognized his contribution to the City. DPS Director Nebus presented Commander Warthman with a "Chief Citation" in recognition of his outstanding performance as the former Fire Marshall.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT ORDINANCE C-724-2007 TO AMEND CITY ZONING MAP, 33350 NINE MILE ROAD FROM INDUSTRIAL TO C-2**

Dan Blugerman, rezoning applicant, was present to answer questions. He thanked Council and City Administration for their ongoing cooperation in property development.

**09-07-162** MOTION by Buck, seconded by Knol, to adopt Ordinance C-724-2007 to amend the City Code, Chapter 35, Zoning Chapter, to amend the Zoning Map and district boundaries established under 35-62 to rezone and reclassify property at 33350 Nine Mile Road from Industrial District (IND) to Community Commercial District (C-2). **[SEE ATTACHED ORDINANCE].**

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Knol, McShane, Wiggins, Wright, Buck.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE REVISED HISTORICAL COMMISSION BY-LAWS**

Mayor McShane expressed concern regarding the provision in Article Six of the By-laws concerning the need to submit recommendations to Council. City Manager Pastue responded this step would be necessary only under very limited circumstances.

**09-07-163** MOTION by Wright, seconded by Wiggins, to approve an amendment to the Historical Commission by-laws, adding Article Six, Committees, subject to the review and approval by the City Attorney. **[SEE ATTACHED BY-LAWS]. MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.**

**CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE #5 FOR SHIAWASSEE ROAD**

Responding to a question from Councilmember Wright, Pastue stated the construction cost thus far is still well under the original estimate.

Councilmember Knol asked about final restoration of the road project as it relates to landscaping. Director Gushman acknowledged minor restoration work items remain, however, the 5% retainage provision in the contract ensures they will be completed.

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Mayor McShane noted residents have expressed concern regarding the completion of the final restoration.

Councilmember Wiggins expressed concern regarding the left turn lane at the High School as it relates to parking on Shiawassee, especially during school events. Director Nebus responded a review of traffic control orders on Shiawassee is currently underway.

**RESOLUTION 09-07-164** Motion by Knol, seconded by Wiggins, to approve payment of construction estimate #5 to Peter A. Basile Sons, Inc. in the amount of \$717,390.53 for the Shiawassee Road Construction Project.

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: McShane, Wiggins, Wright, Buck, Knol.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE NINE MILE PUMP STATION SLUICE GATE REPAIRS**

City Manager Pastue noted the sluice gate repairs were originally included in the 2006/07 budget at a cost of \$65,000. He stated the Oakland County Drain office re-estimated the repairs at \$50,000.

**RESOLUTION 09-07-165** Motion by Wiggins, seconded by Knol, to authorize the Oakland County Drain Commission to proceed with the repair of the sluice gates at the Nine Mile Road Pumping Station and to approve a budget amendment to increase the Pumping Station budget in the Water and Sewer Fund by \$50,000.

**ROLL CALL**

Ayes: Wiggins, Wright, Buck, Knol, McShane.

Nays: None.

Absent: None.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

**CONSIDER PURCHASE APPROVAL, ROAD SALT, EARLY FILL-UP AND SEASONAL BACK-UP**

**RESOLUTION 09-07-166** Motion by Knol, seconded by Wiggins, to approve the purchase of 200 tons of road salt at \$25.90 per ton and 1,100 tons (plus or minus 30%) at \$31.32 per ton from Morton International, Inc., Salt Division, through the State of Michigan Extended Purchasing Program.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None was heard.

**COUNCIL COMMENT**

Councilmember Wright requested clarity on the implementation of the recommendations of the Walkability Committee. Director Nebus indicated the Walkability Committee would address a timeline at its next meeting. He stated there were a few issues with MDOT that needed to be addressed.

Mayor McShane recognized the success of two recent events, Beautification Awards and Musical Brunch, and the excellent press coverage they received. She asked that the City Manager's office send thank-you notes to the committee members of both events.

Council made plans to construct a scarecrow for entrance in the "Scarecrows Among Us" contest sponsored by the DDA.

Discussion followed regarding a speaker for the South Oakland County Mayors Association Dinner.

**ADJOURNMENT**

**09-07-167** Motion by Knol, seconded by Wiggins, to adjourn the meeting.  
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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JoAnne M. McShane, Mayor

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Susan K. Halberstadt, City Clerk

APPROVED: October 15, 2007