



Special Council Meeting
6:00 p.m., Monday, June 5, 2023
Council Chambers
23600 Liberty Street
Farmington, MI 48335

FINAL

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

A special meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on June 5, 2023 in Farmington City Hall, Farmington, MI. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1976.

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 pm by Mayor Sara Bowman.

1. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Johnna Balk	Councilmember	Present	
Sara Bowman	Mayor	Present	
Joe LaRussa	Mayor Pro Tem	Present	
Steve Schneemann	Councilmember	Present	
Maria Taylor	Councilmember	Present	

City Administration Present

Superintendent Eudy
Deputy Clerk Hilton
City Manager Murphy
City Attorney Schultz

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Switch items 4 and 5.

Move to approve the agenda as amended.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Schneemann, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was heard.

4. CLOSED SESSION – CONFIDENTIAL CORRESPONDENCE FROM ATTORNEY

Move to enter closed session to discuss confidential correspondence from attorney.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Schneemann, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Balk, Councilmember
AYES:	Balk, Bowman, LaRussa, Schneemann, Taylor

Council entered closed session at 6:02 pm.

Move to exit closed session.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Schneemann, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember

Council exited closed session at 6:34 pm.

5. DISCUSSION - SHIAWASSEE PARK TENNIS/PICKLEBALL COURT IMPROVEMENTS

OHM recommended to retain one court for tennis, and the other for two pickleball courts. Superintendent Eudy explained that they would be putting up new nets and poles but cannot guarantee how easy it would be to adjust said nets. He mentioned a kit that can be put on the nets that would loosen the tennis net and bring it down to correct pickleball height, and then put back when done. Eudy mentioned limited funding when talking about the tennis/pickleball court project.

Bowman said that she would like to retain at least one tennis court and see what the options would be for the other. Schneemann agreed on retaining a tennis court and would like to see three pickleball courts on the other court. Taylor likes the idea of permanent courts versus adjustable. Balk agreed with the tennis and pickleball options. LaRussa also agreed with permanent courts rather than dual striping.

Schneemann said he would be willing to draw up an idea for the courts. Bowman mentioned not having lighting in the plans, and Eudy said the park was time limited to 10pm, so lighting would not necessarily be needed.

Eudy asked about an opinion on tennis court placement, and Council agreed that whichever was less expensive.

6. OTHER BUSINESS

No other business was heard.

7. COUNCIL COMMENT

Balk mentioned that South Farmington Baseball and Softball has invited Council members to work the beer tent during the Founder's Festival as part of their summer fundraiser. She also talked about the naming of a field after the passing of John Barber at which point Council discussed the parameters of naming a field after deceased peoples.

Schneemann expressed enthusiasm for the tennis and pickleball courts.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Move to adjourn the meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Balk, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember

The meeting adjourned at 6:53 pm.

Sara Bowman, Mayor

Halley Hilton, Deputy Clerk

Approval Date: June 19, 2023