



*23925 Woodward Avenue
Pleasant Ridge, Michigan 48069*

**Public Hearing and Regular City Commission Meeting
April 8, 2014**

Having been duly publicized, Mayor Metzger called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Foreman, Krzysiak, Perry, Scott, Mayor Metzger.
Also Present: Acting City Manager Pietrzak, City Attorney Cooper, City Clerk Drealan.
Absent: None.

Minutes

14-3081

Motion by Commissioner Perry, second by Commissioner Scott, that the minutes of the Special City Commission Meeting held Tuesday, March 11, 2014, the Regular City Commission Meeting held Tuesday, March 11, 2014, and the Special City Commission Meeting held Tuesday, March 18, 2014, be approved, as recommended.

Adopted: Yeas: Commissioner Perry, Scott, Foreman, Krzysiak, Mayor Metzger.
Nays: None.

March 2014 Disbursement Report

14-3082

Motion by Commissioner Perry, second by Commissioner Foreman, that the March Disbursement Report be approved, as listed.

Adopted: Yeas: Commissioner Perry, Foreman, Krzysiak, Scott, Mayor Metzger.
Nays: None.

Governmental Reports

Ms. Ellen Cogen-Lipton, Michigan State Representative, gave an update regarding events related to the Michigan Legislature, and pending legislation before the State. Discussion held regarding a Statewide School District, Personal Property Tax repeal, Emergency Road Funding and Revenue Sharing.

Ms. Amy Butters, Ferndale School Board, gave an update regarding events related to the Ferndale Public Schools.

Mr. Gary McGillivray, Oakland County Commissioner, gave an update regarding events related to the Oakland County Board of Commissioners.

City Commission Liaison Reports

Mayor Metzger gave an update regarding the City Manager Search.

Commissioner Krzysiak gave an update regarding the Recreation Commission. Discussions held about the upcoming Pool season, and the staffing/menu at the snack bar. Investigating an art program in the community. Pancake Breakfast will be held Saturday, April 12th beginning at 10:00 a.m. Egg Hunt begins at 11:30 a.m. Youth soccer has begun. Baseball signup is ongoing.

Commissioner Foreman gave an update regarding the Ferndale Public Schools. FEF Dinner held in March and was a success. FEF grants enhance the learning experience for students. High School Musical – Thoroughly Modern Millie was great production. Information given regarding the Reality Store. Survey request for the FPS improvement process, specific to parents whose children do not attend the district. Gave an update on upcoming events.

Commissioner Perry gave an update regarding the Planning Commission/Downtown Development Authority. Woodward Transit Analysis Committee met in March and discussed the top three priorities related to our area. Discussion held about a parallel transit project for our area. Park and Ride area near the zoo discussed. The DDA met on March 24th and discussed 2014 concerts-in-the-park events. Business and Marketing subcommittee met and set priorities. The Planning Commission met to discuss the goals and objectives of the Pleasant Ridge Master Plan. Master Plan Subcommittee will meet in May and the Planning Commission will vote on the plan in June. Documents related to the Master Plan on the ridger.org.

Commissioner Scott gave an update on the Historical Commission. Discussions held regarding the Home and Garden Tour, which will be held June 7th. Looking for sponsors for the booklet to purchase advertising space. Speaker Series will be held April 28th, at 7:00 pm, at the Pleasant Ridge Community Center. The presentation will focus on the tiles in the community and will be given by George Lenko. Looking at a possible speaker series on the history of I-696 in December. The museum will be open April 19th. Citizens Advisory Committee have met four times and has received information related to the City Budget. Ms. Jane Makulski, Citizens Advisory Committee Chairman, commented that the CAC is a very good committee and is representative of the entire community. She gave an update regarding the progress of the Committee. Information related to the Committee can be found on the City's website.

Public Discussion

Ms. Jane Makulski commented about The Reality Store at Ferndale Public School. Volunteering would be rewarding. Volunteers ask questions of the students and students gain simulated life experiences. DEKA is an international activity that the high school students are engaged in.

Consent Agenda

14-3083

Motion by Commissioner Foreman, second by Commissioner Scott, that the Consent Agenda be approved, as recommended.

Adopted: Yeas: Commissioner Foreman, Scott, Perry, Krzysiak, Mayor Metzger.
Nays: None.

Public Hearing – Ordinance 406 – Animal

Mayor Metzger opened the public hearing at 8:55 p.m.

With no comments or discussion, Mayor Metzger closed the public hearing at 8:56 p.m.

Acting City Manager Pietrzak gave a brief presentation regarding the proposed ordinance regarding Animal Control. The recommendation is to rescind certain sections of Chapter 10 Animals, of the Pleasant Ridge City Code be adopted, and this information be forwarded to Oakland County Animal Control so they may begin to provide Animal Control Service to the City Of Pleasant Ridge.

Sergeant Kevin Nowak commented that the Police Department is behind this move to the County for Animal Control. The City is not compliant through the US Department of Agriculture for animal impound. The Police Department does not have the manpower or facilities to house and care for stray animals.

Mr. John Wright, 10 Kenberton, as what would happen to an animal that belongs in Pleasant Ridge.

Acting City Manager Pietrzak commented that if a dog belongs in Pleasant Ridge, our offices will contact the owner to pick up the dog.

14-3084

Motion by Commissioner Scott, second by Commissioner Perry, that Ordinance #406, which rescinds certain sections of the Pleasant Ridge Code; Chapter 10, Animals; Articles I, II, III & IV; Divisions 1 & 2; Sections 10-4 through 10-107, be approved, and that the information be forwarded to Oakland County Animal Control so they may begin to provide Animal Control Services to the City Of Pleasant Ridge.

Adopted: Yeas: Commissioner Scott, Perry, Foreman, Krzysiak, Mayor Metzger.
 Nays: None.

2014 Foundation Auction Donations

14-3085

Motion by Commissioner Foreman, second by Commissioner Perry, that the City Commission approve the items recommended by the City Administration as donations to the Pleasant Ridge Foundation for sale at its 2014 Annual Auction.

Adopted: Yeas: Commissioner Foreman, Perry, Krzysiak, Scott, Mayor Metzger.
 Nays: None.

Road Reconstruction update

Acting City Manager Pietrzak gave a update regarding the status of the ongoing Road Reconstruction projects.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Meet and Greet April 11, 2014, 7:00 p.m., at the Community Center

Pancake Brunch, April 12, 2014, at the Community Center.

50+ Club Bingo Night, April 17, 2014, at the Community Center

The pool cover will be removed on April 16th

Community garden sign-up has started for returning gardeners.

Other Business

Commissioner Krzysiak commented the next book club event will be held Tuesday, May 20th, at 7:00 p.m., at the Community Center. There will be a presentation by Mr. John Gallager, author of *Reimagining Detroit*.

Commissioner Perry commented the Pleasant Ridge Foundation Auction event will be held Saturday, May 17th. There is also a booklet that the Foundation is selling ad space for. Information on how to place an ad will be on the Foundation website. All the information is on the back of the current edition of the Ridger.

Commissioner Foreman commented regarding the compost pickup this past Friday. There was a miscommunication regarding when the compost collection would begin. Acting City Manager Pietrzak commented that there was a disconnect between SOCRRA and the hauler. Compost collection will officially begin on April 11th.

Mayor Metzger commented that next Citizens Advisory Committee will be April 10th and April 24th. Coffee with Commission will be April 22nd. Planning Commission will be held April 28th.

With no further business or discussion, Mayor Metzger adjourned the meeting at 9:42 p.m.

Mayor Kurt Metzger

Amy M. Drealan, City Clerk