



City of Pleasant Ridge
23925 Woodward Avenue
Pleasant Ridge, Michigan 48069

**Regular City Commission Meeting
July 14, 2020**

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

Present: Mayor Metzger, Commissioners Budnik, Perry, Scott, Wahl,
Also Present: City Manager Breuckman, City Attorney Need, City Clerk Allison
Absent: None

Public Discussion

Natalie Campbell, 32 Ridge Road, discussed Small Cell antennas that could be installed in the neighborhoods. She discussed her beliefs on property rights, small cell installation sites and biological effects. City Manager Breuckman indicated that the City adopted an ordinance in June 2020 regarding DAS/Small Cell/Wireless installation. The State of Michigan controls the installation process.

Regina Weiss, Oak Park City Council representative and candidate for 27th District House Representative on the August 4th Primary Election Ballot. Kevin Kresch, candidate for 27th District House Representative on the August 4th Primary Election Ballot. Matthew Stoel, candidate for 27th District House Representative on the August 4th Primary Election Ballot. Commission Perry requested the candidates put their contact information and websites in the chat feature of the meeting.

Governmental Reports

Chief Kevin Nowak, Pleasant Ridge Police Department, tall grass and refuse collection receptacle violations have been tapering off, the Code Enforcement officer will still be monitoring properties ongoing violations. Resignation of Officer Dan Simon, thanked him for his service to the City.

Dennis Barr, Fire Marshall, Ferndale Fire Department discussed the recent house fire on Hanover. It was a vacant home and appears that the fire was electrical in nature. Ferndale, Hazel Park and Madison Heights Fire Departments all responded. There was significant damage to the interior of the home. The investigation is completed.

Consent Agenda

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Motion by Commissioner Perry second by Commissioner Wahl, to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Adopted: Yeas: Commissioners Perry, Budnik, Scott, Wahl, Mayor Metzger
Nays: None

City Manager's Report

Sylvan was closed at Woodward due to a sink hole. MDOT made repairs to the intersection and sewer infrastructure in that area. Concrete section repairs will begin in late summer. Those areas will be marked by our engineering staff shortly. A turnaround will be constructed across Oakland Park at the City Hall entrance. Pool park pavilion project is ongoing. The Gainsboro Park pavilion will begin on the fall. The Woodward Heights traffic calming test projects will begin in the next few weeks. Scott requested a summary of the Woodward Heights road calming project. Breuckman stated that project will begin sometime in the summer and look to implement after the test project. Budnik requested the status on 71 Devonshire. Breuckman indicated that is moving forward to Circuit Court for demolition. Scott commented about the crossing indicator lights at the Woodward/Oakland Park/Sylvan intersection. Breuckman responded that the indicators require the pedestrian press the request button in order to cross at the intersection, the indicators only change for the side of the crossing that the pedestrian request is made. Citywide garage sale will be held August 8th, the cost is \$25.00.

Other Business

Scott commented that the Historical held a workshop, 100-year tile recipients discussed and updating of the Then and Now is ongoing, the committee is in the editing phase.

Budnik commented that Ferndale Public Schools is planning on holding classes in the fall, but it is still fluid as to in person or online or combination of both.

Wahl commented the recreation department has many virtual class offerings, the group family campout was cancelled but residents are encouraged to hold the campout in their own yard, the Community Garden is thriving, and the park area at Gainsboro Park is open.

Nowak indicated that the traffic signals at the Woodward/Main/ 696-Service Drive will be changed out, causing complete lane closures over the next two days.

Metzger gave an update on the census response rate. Pleasant Ridge has the second largest response rate in the state. Responses can still be submitted online or via paper survey.

Allison gave update on the August 4th Primary election and absentee voting options. The polls will be open from 7am-8pm on election day and voting will take place at the Pleasant Ridge Community Center. Absentee ballots can be returned until 8pm on election day and must be returned to the Pleasant Ridge City Hall.

With no further business or discussion, Mayor Metzger adjourned the meeting at 8:15pm.

Mayor Kurt Metzger

Amy M. Allison, City Clerk