

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on October 14, 2019 at the City Office.

The meeting was called to order a 7:00 P.M. by Mayor Gehring and the Pledge of Allegiance was said.

Present: Mayor Gehring, Treasurer Luenberger, Clerk Pierce, Council Members: Kaiser, Thomas, Schwanz, Heller, Attorney Cook and guests. Absent: Ferguson, Peterson.

Motion by Thomas, support by Kaiser to approve the minutes of the meeting of September 9, 2019. Motion carried: 4-0.

Motion by Thomas, support by Kaiser to pay the bills in the amount of \$18,495.29. Motion carried: 4-0.

In correspondence, Mayor Gehring advised council of an addendum to John's Home Maintenance roofing quote at the Department of Health District #2 building at 311 N. Lake St. of \$6800.00 for re-sheeting the structure with new ½" OSB board.

Motion by Kaiser, support by Heller to approve the additional amount of \$6800.00 for re-sheeting the building. Money to be transferred from the fund balance to amend the budget for the same. Motion carried: 4-0.

Bruce Weber, Harbor Commission chairman, introduced Tiffany Wilson as the newly appointed Harbormaster, effective October 16, 2019, as recommended by the harbor commission. City Council accepts, with regret, the resignation of Jim Ferguson as Harbormaster. A very grateful Thank You to Jim for his service to the city in his role as Harbormaster.

Motion by Kaiser, support by Schwanz to approve appointment of Tiffany Wilson as new Harbormaster, effective October 16, 2019. Motion carried: 4-0.

Mayor Gehring decrees and declares that the official hours for Halloween Trick or Treating, in the city, on Thursday, October 31, 2019, will be 5:30 PM-7:30 PM.

Mayor Gehring discussed the Consumers Energy Gift Certificates for the Holiday Season. Consumers has donated two \$50.00 gift certificates to be awarded to the best decorated residential property AND the best decorated commercial property in the city limits. The city will post more information about the awards later in the season.

Mayor Gehring opened the Public Hearing at 7:15 PM. The request is for a Special Use Permit to Joint Ventures, MI for the property at 108 US 23 (Moosetales) Harrisville, MI, for a Medical Marijuana Provisioning Center. Discussion. Public comments: None.

Motion by Thomas, support by Schwanz to grant a Special Use Permit to Joint Ventures, MI for the property at 108 N. US 23. Ayes: Thomas, Schwanz. Nays: Kaiser, Heller. Mayor Gehring voted in favor of motion. Ayes: 3. Nays: 2. Motion carried: 3-2.

Motion by Thomas, support by Schwanz to issue temporary license to Joint Ventures, MI for a facility permit. Ayes: Thomas, Schwanz, Kaiser. Nay: Heller. Motion carried: 3-1.

Mayor Gehring presented the planning commission's revised Animal Ordinance for the City of Harrisville per the recommendation of the planning commission's meeting of October 2, 2019.

Motion by Kaiser, support by Schwanz to approve document changes to the Animal Ordinance as stated in the current zoning ordinances. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Heller. Nay: Thomas. Motion carried: 3-1.

Mayor Gehring discussed with council proposed amendments to the city's existing ordinance authorizing and permitting recreational marijuana establishments. Discussion. Tom Reif, consultant for the city, clarified council questions.

Motion by Thomas, support by Schwanz to approve the amendments to the existing zoning ordinance for recreational marijuana establishments, Ordinance #2019-02. Motion carried:4-0.

Mayor Gehring presented to council the bid from Alcona Motors of \$38,667.00 for the purchase of a new city pickup truck with accessories. Discussion.

Motion by Thomas, support by Kaiser to approve and accept bid from Alcona Motors for a new city pickup truck in the amount of \$38,667.00. Motion carried: 4-0.

REPORTS

Airport Assistant Manager C. Higgins reports that trees are being cut by a private party on the north side of the airport. Manager E. Higgins was contacted by the property owner of property on the south side of the airport and met with members of the airport commission and that owner to discuss which trees are to be removed. Approximately 10-12 trees will be removed. A used door will be fitted to replace the current door on the terminal building

Fire Department: Chad Spitznagel, Supervisor of Harrisville Township, commented on the need of replacement of existing bunker gear for the department.

Councils Last Comments: None.

Motion to adjourn: Thomas.

Adjourned at 8:29 P.M.

Next regularly scheduled meeting is Monday, November 11, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

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Mayor _____

Clerk _____