

The regular meeting of the Harrisville City Council was held on April 12, 2021 at the City Office. This was a virtual Zoom meeting.

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

Present: Mayor Gehring, Treasurer Luenberger, Clerk Pierce, Council members: Peterson, Kaiser, Mason, Schwanz, Bean, Attorney Cook and guests.

Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson to approve the minutes, with corrections, of March 8, 2021. Aye: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: 0. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion by Peterson, support by Bean to pay the bills in the amount of \$22,470.74. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays:0. Motion carried: 5-0.

1<sup>st</sup> quarter Water/Sewer Adjustments were presented by Treasurer Luenberger. No adjustments needed. Discussion followed.

Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser to accept 1<sup>st</sup> quarter Water/Sewer as presented. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: 0. Motion carried: 5-0.

Dates for Spring Cleanup are May 14th and May 28, 2021. Place bundled and bagged yard waste (only) at curbside for pick up on those dates.

Hydrant Flushing will be April 19-April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

Mayor Gehring presented a request from the Harrisville Arts Council for use of city properties for the 2021 Harmony Festival Weekend, September 3, September 5, 2021.

Motion by Peterson, support by Kaiser to approve Harrisville Arts Council request of use of city properties for Harmony Weekend, Friday, September 3, Sunday, September 5, 2021. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays:0. Motion carried:5-0.

Mayor Gehring presented Melrose Pyrotechnics, Inc. request for approval of the Fireworks Display Permit for Saturday, July 3, 2021.

Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson to authorize mayor to sign permit for Melrose Pyrotechnics for Fireworks Display on Saturday, July, 3, 2021. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Motion Carried 5-0

Mayor presented a request from the Harrisville Lions Club for use of the Harbor Pavilion for Saturday, July 3, 2021 until 6:00PM for Duck Race awards.

Motion by Schwanz, support by Bean for approval of request from the Harrisville Lions for use of the Harbor Pavilion on Saturday, July 3, 2021 until 6:00PM. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays:0. Motion carried: 5-0.

Mayor Gehring presented a request from The Alcona Music Project-WXTF/Open Mic Night to reserve and rent the Harbor Pavilion for every Tuesday evening from May 1, 2021-October 31, 2021 from 6-9 PM (weather permitting).

Mayor Gehring presented request from Inspiration Alcona for use of the Harbor Pavilion Friday nights for a Singer/Songwriter concert series beginning Friday, June 18, through Friday, September 17, 2021.

Discussion by mayor informing The Alcona Music Project and Inspiration Alcona as to the city's intent to firm up policy details for usage of Harbor properties and sanitation concerns. Mayor will present to council at May meeting the policy decisions for continuous rental of Harbor pavilion and sanitation decisions for council consideration. Also discussed increase to Pavilion rental rates from \$25.00 to \$35.00 per rental.

Motion by Kaiser, support by Peterson to raise rental rate of Harbor Pavilion to \$35.00 per rental request. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays:0. Motion carried: 5-0.

Mayor Gehring presented proposal from OHM Engineering Advisors concerning the updating of the existing GIS mapping program. Discussion.

Motion by Bean, support by Peterson to table decision from OHM Engineering concerning expenditure to update the GIS mapping system until May council meeting. Ayes: Schwanz, Kaiser, Mason, Bean, Peterson. Nays: 0. Motion carried: 5-0.

## REPORTS

Mayor Gehring reports his personal email account appears to have been hacked. Please do not open any email from him that has a suspicious request to meet or get in contact with him. Has been in contact with organizers of the Wine and Food Festival for 2021. Information will be forthcoming as to plans for Festival.

Clerk Pierce reports her personal email appears to also been hacked with request to meet as well. Do not respond. The Summer Concert Series dates are Wednesday, July 7, July 14, July 21, July 28, and August 4, 2021.

Harbor Commission report from Mayor Gehring reports that dock construction will continue Monday, April 19, 2021 and has a finish date and wrap up of June, 2021.

Planning Commission reported by Alderman Schwanz (ex-officio) commission continues to work on Master Plan update with Census Data being included.

Fire Department reports two new volunteer members added this month.

Comment Cards: Laura Frawley spoke to council of the proposed Friday night concert series funded by Inspiration Alcona. Advised by mayor of new policies to be presented to groups concerning usage, sanitation concerns and food vendors. Judy MacNeill presented ideas for a Farmer's Market being set up on same Friday nights as concerts. Discussion.

Council Last Comments: Question as to opening of marijuana facility, Consume. Mayor indicated about two weeks.

Adjourned by Mayor Gehring.

Adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Next regularly scheduled City Council meeting is May 10, 2021 at 7:00 PM at City Hall.

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Mayor \_\_\_\_\_

Clerk \_\_\_\_\_

