



**CITY OF PLYMOUTH
MEETING MINUTES**

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CITY OF PLYMOUTH
CITY COMMISSION MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2016, 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

PRESENT: Mayor Daniel Dwyer, Mayor Pro-Tem Oliver Wolcott; Commissioners Mike Wright, Colleen Pobur, Daniel Dalton, Suzanne Deal, Joseph Valenti

ABSENT: None

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Malcolm Olds, 336 N. Harvey, wanted the Commission to be aware that not everyone has computer access at their homes and had no idea about the home invasions in the community. He also made complains and expressed concerns regarding the new buildings and rebuilds going on in his neighborhood that are causing issues with trash, debris and unsightly porta johns on the properties. He does not feel that the builders are doing a good job of clean up and it affects the other property owners.

Steve Ribar, 655 Forest, stated he had the same complaints as Mr. Olds and especially about porta johns on the property that have an impact on the neighborhood. He spoke about the large housing rebuilds, unsightly porta johns, dumpsters blocking sidewalks. He is very concerned with the poor walkers that have to dodge the dumpsters and debris on the construction properties. The height of the houses is upsetting and how far off the foundation they are building. He said that on Deer Street he saw a home under construction five blocks out of the ground and eight or nine foot from the sidewalk. He worries about water runoff onto neighbors properties and feels this will be an issue. He stated that on his street, Forest Street, there are some very nice rebuilds and new houses and feels some of them could look a lot better than they are. Builders are leaving debris and seem no one is monitoring the condition of the property during and after construction.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

3. A motion was made by Commissioner Colleen Pobur and seconded by Commissioner Mike Wright for approval of the Agenda for Monday, February 1st, 2016.

MOTION PASSED

ENACTMENT OF THE CONSENT AGENDA:

- 4a. Approval of January 18, 2016 City Commission Regular Meeting Minutes
- 4b. Special Event: Kona Shamrock Run 3/6/2016
- 4c. Special Event: Pets on Display Photo Bus/Sales 3/17/2016 (REMOVED)
- 4d. Special Event: M.I. Drive Annual Fundraiser 3/18/2016 – 3/19/2016
- 4e. Special Event: National Library Week –Story Book Walk in Kellogg Park 4/10 to 4/16/16
- 4f. Special Event: Diva Day 4/23/2016
- 4g. Special Event: Plymouth Lion's Club Annual White Cane Fundraiser 5/6/16 to 5/7/2016
- 4h. Special Event: Farmer's Market 5/7/2016 - 10/29/2016

A motion was made by Commissioner Colleen Pobur and seconded by Commissioner Mike Wright for approval of the Consent Agenda with removal of #4c, to be added to New Business #7b.

MOTION PASSED

COMMISSION COMMENTS: None

OLD BUSINESS:

6a. Community Development Department Permit Fee Schedule -

RES. #2016-05

WHEREAS, The City Commission of the City of Plymouth has reviewed the proposed fee schedule amendments for closure permits; and

WHEREAS, The City of Plymouth Community Development is recommending the adoption of the closure permit fees at this time because residential construction is becoming a year round industry; and

WHEREAS, The adoption of the proposed fees and resulting closure permits will assist the Community Development Department in better tracking sidewalk closures and dumpsters in the Right-of-Way; and

WHEREAS, The intent is to improve the health, safety, and welfare of residents and visitors of the community.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the City Commission of the City of Plymouth does hereby adopt the attached addition to the fee schedule(s) for closure permits of:

First Closure/ROW Permit (90 day permit) –

Sidewalk Closure - \$125

Dumpster in the ROW - \$75

Both Permits for - \$175

Renewal of Closure/ ROW Dumpster Permit (One 90 day Renewal) -

Sidewalk Closure - \$175

Dumpster in the ROW - \$125

Both Permits for - \$275

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the adopted fees for closure permits will go into effect on immediately.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Oliver Wolcott and seconded by Commissioner Colleen Pobur for approval of the resolution.

MOTION PASSED

Commissioner Colleen Pobur thanked the Community Development Department for all their work, but due to the comments regarding porta johns she feels there is a need for some review for a possible policy or ordinance.

Mayor Daniel Dwyer stated that this dumpster policy will solve some of the complaints and appreciates that this is a challenge for builders but it is especially a challenge for residents and neighbors.

Commissioner Joe Valenti inquired as to whether there is some specific language for porta johns. John Buzuvis stated there is some, and there is no perfect solution but he and the Building Official will be working on some appropriate language.

Mayor Daniel Dwyer stated before spring arrives it would be a good idea for the Community Development Department to come back to the City Commission with some language directed at the porta john issue.

NEW BUSINESS:

7a. 2015-2016 Second Quarter Budget Amendments –

RES. #2016-06

WHEREAS, actual patterns of departmental expenditures occur differently than originally projected in the 2015-2016 City Budget as adopted in June of 2015; and

WHEREAS, overall revenue and expenditures forecasts require modifications to the original budgetary allocations as established in the adopted budget; and

WHEREAS, the City Budget amendments require the approval of the City Commission for changes between activity departments and between funds of the City;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the 2015-2016 City Budget is hereby amended as indicated

in the 2nd quarter amendments column of the attached Budget Amendments Summary, which is made a part of this resolution.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Finance Director is authorized to change the budgetary appropriations as indicated in the Budget Amendments Summary effective February 2, 2016.

A motion was made by Commissioner Colleen Pobur and seconded by Commissioner Mike Wright for approval of the resolution.

MOTION PASSED

Commissioner Joe Valenti suggested to the City Commission and Finance Director that they might consider adding an additional budget session meeting to discuss the pension fund and OPEB, especially since there are two new City Commissioners going through this process for the first time.

7b. Special Event request for Pets on Display Photo Bus/Sales, 3/17/2016 -

Commissioner Colleen Pobur stated that she had requested this agenda item be removed from the Consent Agenda because of concerns. Based on the fact that every entity denied this special event request in the review process, she cannot imagine the City Commission approving this event.

City Manager Paul Sincock stated one reason to deny the request is the fact that there is already an event going on in that area and the work force will be dedicated to that event, so they do not need to approve another one. Resources will be tied up that day.

Mayor Daniel Dwyer suggested that if there is a request for an event that has been denied through the review process by all entities, maybe not place that request on the Consent Agenda.

A motion was made by Commissioner Colleen Pobur and seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Oliver Wolcott for denial of the special event request for "Pets on Display Photo Bus/Sales on 3/17/2016".

MOTION PASSED

REPORTS AND CORRESPONDENCE:

8. Commissioner Colleen Pobur provided a report concerning a meeting that took place prior to the Commission Meeting with the NPFA Board. They discussed the large fire in Novi that required mutual aid from the Northville/Plymouth team. There were five people found in the basement that passed away. The Northville/Plymouth Fire Department received praise for assisting in this fire and they were very professional. She spoke about the new Aerial Truck in our possession and the discussion concerning the old one. There is some consideration to donate the vehicle to Schoolcraft College Fire Fighters Program and it would be a valuable tool for them with training. This is a potential resolution, but they are exploring other options. The technology is very outdated but the truck is very sound. She spoke about the rumors being heard that the City of Northville is in discussion with Plymouth Township for advanced life support services. She stated the group is going to schedule another meeting to discuss budget issues very soon.

ADJOURNMENT:

9. Hearing no further business, a motion was made by Commissioner Colleen Pobur and seconded by Commissioner Mike Wright for adjournment of the meeting at 7:45 p.m.

MOTION PASSED