

City of Stanton
Public Hearing Public Hearing
Park and Recreation Grant Application to the MIDNR
February 23, 2016

The Public Hearing was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Tissue-Daws.

Commissioners present: Basom, Burris, Corwin, Petersen, Johnson and Yoder. Absent None.

No Public Comments.

A motion was made and supported to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:05 pm.

City of Stanton
Regular Meeting
February 23, 2016

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 pm by Mayor Tissue-Daws.

Commissioners present: Basom, Burris, Corwin, Petersen, Johnson and Yoder. Absent None.

A motion was made by Petersen and supported by Burris to approve the agenda with the following additions: City owned Septic Tanks. 6 Yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Basom and supported by Petersen to approve the minutes to the February 9, 2016 Public Hearing as submitted. 6 Yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Basom and supported by Corwin to approve the minutes to the Regular Meeting held on February 9, 2016 as submitted. 6 Yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

DPW Report was read and Director Blum added that they have been picking up brush.
Police Report, Chief Patino stated that they have been busy with domestic complaints.
City Manager's report was read and Manager Eckholm added that it was time to take bids to empty septic tanks and also discussed electric outlets for OFD.

A motion was made by Burris and supported by Petersen to approve the resolution for the Department of Natural Resource Grant Application. 6 Yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Petersen and supported by Burris to change the March 8, 2016 meeting to March 15, 2016 at 7:00 pm. 6 Yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Petersen and supported by Corwin to approve the bid from Parker Septic Service for \$140 per tank. 6 Yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

Citizen Comments: Ray Holloway asked if the city had received letters of endorsement for the grant.

Mr. Christensen asked about two hour parking and trash in parking lot.

A motion was made by Burris and supported by Corwin to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:46pm.

Next meeting will be held on March 15, 2016 at 7:00 pm in the Community Room at City Hall. Public Welcome.

Monica Tissue-Daws, Mayor
Janet Davis, City Clerk

City Manager's Report
Stanton City Commission Meeting
2/23/16

To the Commission and Citizens of Stanton,

We are making considerable progress on numerous projects and I am pleased to offer some updates:

1. The Parks and Recreation Plan has been submitted to the MIRecGrants web page, making the City eligible to apply for the grant request we have discussed.
2. The meter replacement project has begun and we are working to implement the new billing software. A letter will be going out to residents requiring them to schedule a time for the DPW to enter their homes and install the new meters. We hope to have a complete change-out by the end of July.
3. I have made a presentation to the Downtown Development Authority suggesting that they sponsor a new community food festival "Taste of Montcalm" in order to raise awareness of the DDA, bring people to town to see our City at its best, and to raise unrestricted dollars for the DDA coffers. I will be sharing this presentation with the Commission in March, pending DDA research and input.
4. This month I will be reaching out to the Heart of Montcalm Chamber of Commerce with a final report regarding the survey we conducted with business owners to solicit feedback. I will be recommending they put on a "Networking Breakfast" similar to the one we just completed in Lakeview to resurrect their Chamber. It was a great success and allowed the Chamber members to solicit feedback directly from business owners.
5. We are still in the process of soliciting firms for bids regarding both the web page redesign as well as the reappraisal project. I hope to have bids and scope of work docs for your consideration by the first meeting in March.

Respectfully Submitted,



Jake Eckholm, City Manager

D.P.W. Report

February 18, 2016

The Department of Public Works started new meter installations, and in 3 days were able to install 31 meters without any appointments. Michigan Meter Company also successfully installed the new water billing software, and we hope to have residents call the department soon to make appointments for their new meter installations.

-The department opened 2 graves, serviced all the pickup trucks and began service on the brush chipper, the leaf vacuum and all lawn equipment and continue to repair potholes and replace street signs.

*Fun Fact- The city pumped 2,835,400 gallons of high quality H₂O to its water customers in the month of July.