

**City of Stanton
Regular Meeting Minutes
November 13, 2018**

1. **Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance** – The City of Stanton regular meeting was called to order at 7:03p.m. by Mayor Ken Burris with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll Call: Mayor Ken Burris, Mayor Pro-Tem Lori Williams, Jane Basom, Charles Miel, Michael Mazzola, John Seaman, Mary Thomas
Absent: None

2. **Oath of Office for Newly Elected Mayor and City Commissioners**
 - a. An **Oath of Office** will be administered to elected **Mayor Lori Williams, City Commissioners Jane Basom, Ray Holloway, and Mary Thomas.**
Motion made by Miel second by Thomas to move Presentation to #3. and Reorganization of City Commission to #4. Motion carried on a voice vote.
3. **Presentation**
 - a. Recognition of former Mayor and Commissioner for their service to the Stanton community.
4. **Reorganization of City Commission**
 - a. Appoint a member to fill a vacancy in the elected office of City Commission for the unexpired (1-year) term of Commissioner Williams.
Mayor Williams appoints Vladimir Edelman.
Motion made by Holloway second by Thomas to appoint Vladimir Edelman to fill Commissioner Williams vacant seat. Motion carried on a voice vote.
Vladimir Edelman was administered the Oath of Office.
 - b. Appoint a City Commissioner to serve as representative on the Stanton Community Fire Department Board.
Motion made by Basom second by Miel to appoint Ray Holloway as a representative on the Stanton Community Fire Department Board. Motion carried on a voice vote.
 - c. Appoint Mayor Pro Tem
Motion made by Miel second by Thomas to appoint Vladimir Edelman as Mayor Pro Tem. Motion carried on a voice vote.
5. **Agenda Approval**
Motion made by Basom second by Holloway to approve the agenda.
Motion carried on a voice vote.
6. **Public Comments:** None
7. **Standing Items**
 - a. Approval of Regular Council Meeting Minutes of the October 23, 2018.
Motion made by Basom second by Thomas to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes for October 23, 2018. Motion carried on a voice vote.

- b. Approval of bills for the month of October 2018 in the amount of \$52,598.41.
Motion made by Basom second by Miel to approve the Bills for October 2018 in the amount of \$52,598.41. Motion carried on a voice vote.
- c. Receive the Revenue/Expenditure Report for the month of October 2018.
Motion made by Basom second by Mazzola to receive the Revenue/Expenditure report for October 2018. Motion carried on a voice vote.

8. Reports

- a. Department of Public Works Report – leaf pick-up will be continued, with much needed help from the new third employee.
- b. City Manager Report – Welcome Kevin McGowan as new DPW employee, November 12th tree planting is complete, November 29th Santa will be at the county holiday party on court house hill, December 11th MML is having conference for new commissioners, December 13th White Pine Library having holiday event, call 989-831-4327, to register.
Motion made by Miel second by Basom to appoint Lori Mazzola to the DDA. Motion carried on a voice vote.

9. Existing Business

- a. Consideration of a professional services agreement with FJM Consulting Services LLC for services related to identifying funding options and grant writing assistance.
Motion made by Holloway second by Basom to remove this from the table from last meeting for discussion. Motion carried on a voice vote.
Motion made by Holloway second by Basom to ~~deny~~ not renew the contract with FJM Consulting Services at this time. Motion carried on a voice vote.

10. New Business

- a. Consideration by City Commission to adopt a resolution recognizing Ken Burris for his dedicated service to the City of Stanton.
Motion made by Holloway second by Basom to adopt the resolution for Ken Burris. Motion carried on a voice vote.
- b. Consideration by City Commission to adopt a resolution recognizing John Seaman for his dedicated service to the City of Stanton.
Motion made by Mazzola second by Basom to adopt the resolution for John Seaman. Motion carried on a voice vote.
- c. Consideration by City Commission to remove Ken Burris from all City of Stanton bank accounts and change Lori Williams's title to Mayor on the accounts.
Motion made by Holloway second by Edelman to remove Ken Burris from all City of Stanton bank accounts and change Lori Williams's title to Mayor.
Motion carried on a voice vote.
- d. Consideration by City Commission to adopt guidelines for eligible poverty exemptions granted under section 7u of the state of Michigan General Property Tax Act, including setting income levels and use of the 2019 Poverty Exemption Application.

Motion made by Holloway second by Thomas to adopt the guidelines for poverty exemptions and setting income levels and use of 2019 Poverty Exemption Application. Motion carried on a voice vote.

- e. Consideration by City Commission to approve a resolution to waive collecting interest and penalties for failure to file a Property Transfer Affidavit within the time allotted for all real property transfers occurring in the City of Stanton.
Motion made by Miel second by Mazzola to approve the resolution and waive the collecting interest and penalties for failure to file a Property Transfer Affidavit.
Motion carried on a voice vote.
- f. Consideration by City Commission to adopt the updated and re-formatted Zoning Ordinance and Map for the City of Stanton and a new Subdivision Control Ordinance.
Motion made by Miel second by Thomas to adopt the Zoning Ordinance/Map with corrections amended by Commissioner Basom and to also leave the map how it is for Diane Lowell's and Steve Chapin's properties. Motion carried on a voice vote.
Motion made by Miel second by Basom to adopt the new Subdivision Control Ordinance. Motion carried on a voice vote.

11. Public Comments:

Diane Lowell, Birdy's, thank you for honoring my request.

12. Commission Comments

Commissioner Miel would like to thank Lisa, Lori, Jim and committee for their work on the county holiday party.

Mayor Williams would like some advertisement for the holiday event for the county.

Commissioner Basom was asking about clarification on the \$3,000.00 road commission payment or reimbursement, Vester clarified that is a reimbursement from the county road commission, and wanted to clarify that we have a good working relationship with the road commission and Mark Christensen.

Commissioner Mazzola wanted to personally thank Jamie and the DPW for removing a big branch that had fallen and was removed quickly.

13. Adjournment

Motion made by Thomas second by Holloway to adjourn meeting at 7:51p.m. Motion carried on a voice vote.

Lori Williams, Mayor

Lori Braman, Clerk