

City of Stanton
Regular Meeting Minutes
August 27, 2019

1. **Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance** – The City of Stanton regular meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m. by Mayor Lori Williams with the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Roll Call:** Mayor Lori Williams, Jane Basom, Vladimir Edelman, Ray Holloway, Michael Mazzola, Charles Miel, Mary Thomas
Absent: None
3. **Approval of Agenda**
Motion made by Miel second by Mazzola to approve the agenda. Motion carried on a voice vote.
4. **Public Comments:**
Dave Overholt, Sidney, Montcalm County, where are you at with marijuana being passed or turning it down?
5. **Standing Items**
 - a. Motion made by Basom second by Miel to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of August 13, 2019 with the changes to City Manager report, thank you to ~~h~~ **Habitat for Humanity** for the groundbreaking ceremony tonight and the workshop tour with DPW tonight, also blight *abatement* is making progress, from the July 9, 2019 minutes. Adding “ed” to all the Stanton Old Fashion Days, adding memorial to, don’t forget we have a Veterans **Memorial** Park Committee meeting on 8/20 at City Hall at 7:00p.m. in the City Manager’s Report, and changing “Commissioner Basom thanked her fellow; City of Stanton Commissioners, for the help with Stanton Old Fashioned Days. ~~e~~–Everyone had a hand in helping with the festival” in the Commission Comments. Motion carried on a voice vote.
 - b. Motion made by Edelman second by Holloway to approve the bills for August 2019 in the amount of \$64,258.62. Motion carried on a voice vote.
6. **Monthly Reports**
 - a. Stanton Police Department-provided a monthly report.
 - b. DPW Report
 - c. City Manager-DDA is changing the date of their meeting in September from the 2nd to the 10th, gave a blight abatement update, the new generator is here and we are looking into getting bids back for installation, the old leaf vac is a low priority of getting fixed, on the marijuana discussion I am just waiting on the commission to take the lead and to give direction to what they want to do next, lastly a few hours ago Habitat for Humanity contacted the City to ask permission to remove a tree on the E First St Property and the Cities right-of-way.
Motion made by Basom second by Edelman to allow Habitat for Humanity to remove the tree on E First St Property and the ~~Cities~~ **City’s** right-of-way. Motion passed on a voice vote.

7. New Business**8. Committee Reports**

Commissioner Thomas gave an update from the Veterans Memorial Park meeting and there was discussion. ~~, there were 10 committee members and 2 guests in attendance. There were many items discussed including volunteer labor and waiver forms fundraiser ideas, and the hiring of a general contractor to oversee park construction using volunteer workers.~~

9. Public Comments:

Dave Overholt, Sidney, Montcalm County, check with the Stanton American Legion on helping with the Veterans Memorial Park. Can we maybe get a survey to see what the residents would like to do with marijuana here in town?

10. Commission Comments

Commissioner Holloway gave his opinion on marijuana.

Commissioner Edelman wanted to stick with what was decided, and wait until the state gave us guidelines on marijuana that we could follow.

Commissioner Thomas would like to know, if the city could tell her before we go and mow a lawn, due to an ordinance violation, and charge the resident because the grass is to tall?

11. Adjournment

Motion made by Thomas second by Edelman to adjourn meeting at 8:00p.m.

Motion carried on a voice vote.

Lori Williams, Mayor

Lori Braman, Clerk