**STANTON CITY COMMISSION**

**Regular Meeting Minutes**

**November 14, 2023**

**6:30pm**

1. **Call to Order**

The City of Stanton Commission regular session meeting called to order at 6:30 PM by Mayor Ferguson.

1. **Pledge of Allegiance**
2. **Roll Call**

Present: Mayor Bill Ferguson, Jane Basom, Charles Miel, Lewis Corwin, Tamara Kuhn, Ray Holloway, Jacky McGill, Charles Miel

1. **Approval of Agenda**

Motion made by Commissioner Kuhn and seconded by Commissioner Holloway to approve the agenda. Motion carried on a voice vote.

1. **Public Comments**

Mark Nelson presented on the success of the new Disc Golf course. Usage and upkeep is all going well. Tournament that was held last month was a success. Presented keychains with logo.

1. **Standing items**
   1. Motion made by Commissioner McGill to approve commission minutes from October 24, 2023. Motion seconded by Commissioner Corwin. Motion carried by Voice vote.
   2. Motion made by Commissioner Holloway to approve bill payments for the first half of November. Motion seconded by Commissioner McGill. Motion carried by Voice vote.
2. **Monthly Reports**
   1. Police Department-Attended Training and will be implementing new strategies.
   2. Public Works-Provided Written Report to Commission
   3. Clerk/Treasurer-Provided statement from Mary Thomas on fundraising efforts for Memorial Park. Treasurer provided written statement to commission.
   4. City Manager-Completed Blight training, Spectrum installation, and requested goals for goal setting workshop.
3. **Presentation**

Ken Berthiaume of Berthiaume and Company presented Audit Review for FY 22-

23.

1. **Motion to enter Closed session pursuant to MCL 15.268(1)(e) to consult with special legal counsel regarding trial and settlement strategy in the matter of** *Destinee Bryce v City of Stanton et al* **(US District Court Western District of Michigan Southern Division Case No. 12-cc-00705)** made by Commissioner Miel and seconded by Commissioner McGill. Roll Call Vote: Basom-yes, Corwin-yes, Holloway-yes, Kuhn-yes, Mcgill-yes, Miel-yes.  **Entered Closed session at 6:58 pm. Close Session ended at 7:16pm.**
2. **New Business**
   1. Motion made by Commissioner Holloway to approve settlement in the matter of *Destinee Bryce* *v City of Stanton et al*consistent with the terms discussed in closed session and to authorize the City Manager and special legal counsel to sign the necessary documents on behalf of the City regarding the same.
   2. Motion made to approve the FY 22-23 financial audit report by Commissioner Miel and seconded by Commissioner Kuhn. Motion carried by voice vote.
   3. Nomination and motion to approve Jane Basom as Mayor Pro Tem per section 5.4 of the City Charter by commissioner Holloway and seconded by Commissioner Miel. Motion carried on voice vote.
   4. Motion made to approve FY 23-24 budget amendments as presented made by Commissioner Kuhn and seconded by Commissioner Holloway. Motion carried by voice vote.
   5. Review of recurring invoice payment procedure by Treasurer Beth Bellows.
   6. Motion made by Commissioner Kuhn to approve the 2024 City of Stanton Meeting Schedule and seconded by Commissioner McGill. Motion carried by voice vote.
   7. Motion made to appoint Kelly Worden, owner of Threads, to the DDA by Commissioner McGill and seconded by Commissioner Basom. Motion carried by voice vote.
   8. Motion made by Commissioner Miel and seconded by Commissioner McGill to approve the amendment to the Personnel Manual that states *The pay period begins on Sunday morning and ends on Saturday evening (14 days).* Motion made by Commissioner Basom to make the amendment effective for the Nov. 26th payroll. Motion seconded by Commissioner Kuhn. Both motions carried by voice vote.
3. **Committee Reports**

None

1. **Public Comments**

None

1. **Commission Comments**

None

1. **Adjournment**

Motion made by Commissioner McGill and seconded by Commissioner Kuhn to adjourn at 8:02 PM.

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Sarah Johnson, Clerk