

## CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

St. Louis, Michigan  
July 21, 2020

The regular meeting of the Saint Louis City Council was called to order by Mayor James Kelly on Tuesday, July 21, 2020 at 6:00 p.m. via Conference Call.

Council Members Present: Via Conference Call Mayor James C. Kelly, Roger L. Collison, George T. Kubin, William R. Leonard, Thomas L. Reed

Council Members Absent: None

City Manager: Kurt Giles – via Conference Call  
City Clerk: Mari Anne Ryder – via Conference Call  
Police Chief: Richard Ramereiz

Others in Attendance:

Ralph Echtinaw – St. Louis Sentinel

Others in Attendance Via Conference Call:

Keith Risdon – Public Services Director, Mark Abbott – DPW Superintendent, Bobbie Marr – Finance Director

### **City Council Minutes.**

Moved by Kubin, supported by Leonard, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on July 7, 2020.

Roll Call:  
Ayes: Kubin, Leonard, Collison, Reed, Kelly  
Nays: None  
Motion carried.

### **Claims & Accounts.**

City Council discussed the Claims & Accounts.

Moved by Kubin, supported by Reed, to approve the Claims & Accounts in the amount of \$706,687.10.

Roll Call:  
Ayes: Kubin, Reed, Collison, Leonard, Kelly  
Nays: None

Motion carried.

**Monthly Reports.**

Moved by Collison, supported by Leonard, to receive the June Monthly Reports and place on file.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Collison, Leonard, Kubin, Reed, Kelly

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**Audience Recognition.**

There were no comments.

**Consent Agenda.**

Mayor Kelly requested approval of Consent Agenda items “a” through “d” as shown below:

- a. Payment to Michigan CAT for Purchase/Trade of Backhoe.
- b. Payment to American Highway for Manhole Riser Rings.
- c. Payment Michigan Agri Business Solutions for Bio Solids Land Application.
- d. Payment to Spicer for Professional Services – Maple Street.

Moved by Reed, supported by Collison, to approve Consent Agenda items “a” through “d.”

Roll Call:

Ayes: Reed, Collison, Kubin, Leonard, Kelly

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**New Business.**

**Resignation/Appointment – Parks & Recreation Commission.**

Manager Giles requested members accept the resignation of Ron Salladay from the Parks Commission due to moving out of town and his service through all the years is appreciated and re-appoint Sally Church to the Parks Commission.

Moved by Collison, supported by Kubin, to accept the resignation of Ron Salladay from the Parks Commission with regret and re-appoint Sally Church to the Parks Commission for the remainder of the term.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Collison, Kubin, Leonard, Reed, Kelly

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**Replacement of Screening Unit in the Fine Screen Building at the Wastewater Treatment Plant.**

Manager Giles requested members approve the Proposal from WesTech for replacement of the Fine Screening Unit in the Fine Screen Building at the Wastewater Treatment Plant in an amount not to exceed \$130,000.00.

Discussion was held.

Moved by Reed, supported by Leonard, to approve the Proposal from WesTech for replacement of the Fine Screening Unit in the Fine Screen Building at the Wastewater Treatment Plant in an amount not to exceed \$130,000.00.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Reed, Leonard, Collison, Kubin, Kelly

Nays: None

Motion carried.

**City Manager Report.**

Manager Giles asked members their thoughts on the August 12<sup>th</sup> Cruise-In. It was the consensus of the Council to cancel the August 12<sup>th</sup> Cruise-In.

Manager Giles also asked Council Members thoughts on the August 20<sup>th</sup> Old US-27 Motor Tour, and stated organizers are considering having the tour from Dewitt to Clare and participants can stop where they choose along the way. There will be no street closings and no large gathering. There will be cars in town throughout the day. Some may stop to eat and shop. All were in agreement.

Manager Giles stated due to Covid, and the relaxation of the Open Meetings Act, it looks like the next two August meetings and possible the first meeting on September will be held via Conference Call. Members were in agreement.

**City Clerk Report.**

None.

**Police Chief Report.**

Chief Ramereiz stated Officer Paxton McCarty has taken a full-time job in Muskegon and her last day will be July 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Council Comments.**

Member Reed inquired about the large pile of washer and dryers at a residence North of the Corner of Pine and Saginaw. Chief Ramereiz stated they have been made aware of the violation and are taking care of the issue.

Member Reed also asked if having City Hall open during the lunch hour has been discussed. Manager Giles stated it was mentioned and staff will have a discussion once he returns to work.

**Public Comments.**

There were no comments.

**Adjournment.**

Moved by Leonard, supported by Reed, to adjourn at 6:23 p.m.

Roll Call:

Ayes: Leonard, Reed, Collison, Kubin, Kelly

Nays: None

Motion carried.

Mari Anne Ryder, City Clerk