

City Commission
September 8, 2015

Mayor Mark Warba called the regular meeting of the City Commission to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Commissioners Lynn Anderson, Tom Hogenson, Lorraine James, and Dan Rothstein; Mayor Mark J. Warba, City Attorney Eric D. Williams; and City Manager Steve Sobers.

Absent: None.

There were 15 people in the audience.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA – addition of a Sergeant's retirement resolution as 11h and placing the Executive Session as 11i.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Commissioner Hogenson moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson that the minutes of August 3, 2015 regular meeting be accepted.

Yeas: Anderson, Hogenson, James, Rothstein

Abstain: Warba (was not at the August 3, 2015 meeting)

PARK AND RECREATION, LIBRARY AND POOL BILLS

Assistant Treasurer, Jean Schneidt, reported on the Park and Recreation and Library bills. The report is through June 30, 2015 and the auditors are currently working on the annual City audit.

The Library took in \$40,000 in revenue but only saved \$11,000 in expenditures based on the budget. The Library is approximately \$30,000 in the negative. Ms. Schneidt stated this was due to the Township differential.

QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT

Ms. Schneidt gave the quarterly report. The Mayor observed that the Harbour/Pershing Investments did not do well from May till June. Various accounts that the City has with these financial institutions from July 2014 to June 2015 state that everything was stagnate. The Mayor wondered if there was any opportunity to earn interest on funds placed with them.

Ms. Schneidt believes that it is pretty flat right now. However, the interest earned on these accounts is placed in a holding account called 792 pool cash and once a month

the interest earnings are spread throughout all the funds in the entire City financial structure based on their cash balance.

Mayor Warba would like to see what the interest is and where it is being distributed to. He would like to have this information documented on this report if possible.

Commissioner James suggested placing the average interest for the year in the report.

STUDY SESSION

Roger Schneidt gave the following bullet points regarding the Baldwin Street Bridge construction.

- The contractor is holding close to his timeline.
- Barricades are up and detour signs are in place.
- Simonds Industries will start using Waterloo as a secondary loading area to accommodate the delivery of their steel.
- Working with the businesses along Baldwin Street with special signage letting people know that they are still open for business.
- Bjornson and Milton is a 2-way stop, suggested to make it a 4-way to help the traffic flow during the bridge construction.
- Bjornson and Maple is another location that is difficult to turn onto.
- There are four traffic counters evaluating traffic currently to determine what the peak periods are for high traffic. One is on Bjornson and Milton. If the traffic clears within 15 minutes, then there is nothing that warrants doing a 4-way stop.

Rose Mary Jennings commented that the traffic is going smoother than she expected it would.

Commissioner Rothstein commented that he was grateful to the factories on the east side for considering changing their starting and ending times to accommodate traffic flow.

SPECIAL ORDERS OF THE DAY – None

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

PUBLIC HEARING - None

Mayor Warba inquired about the Planning Commission and Park and Recreation minutes that were referred to in the DTE easement resolution. He inquired as to why the minutes were not part of the packet. Mr. Sobers commented that this was not intentional. Mayor Warba stated that he would like to have the minutes supplied to the Commission for any resolutions that refer to minutes.

There was discussion as to whether the gas regulating equipment was safe and what it would look like. Mr. Sobers stated that it was safe and that there is a near identical one located on Perry Avenue just past the Community Church. The new equipment will replace the equipment that is currently located in the 200 block of Chestnut Street, but

that one is underground. This equipment is now above ground and can be maintained easier and is gated. However, they are not aesthetically pleasing. The Planning Commission discussed screening the area to make it less obvious. These regulators are a safer approach to being able to access and monitor the gas regulators.

Commissioner Anderson stated that she was at the Planning Commission meeting and there was a lot of discussion pertaining to why the regulator had to be at that location. Unfortunately, there is a large Maple tree that will have to be removed.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-85

Commissioner Hogenson moved, supported by Commissioner James, the adoption of the following resolution.

**RESOLUTION GRANTING DTE AN EASEMENT
FOR THE LOCATION OF REGULATING EQUIPMENT AT
RIVER STREET PARK**

WHEREAS, DTE in order to provide efficient and necessary natural gas service in Big Rapids, has the need for gas regulating equipment in the vicinity of River Street, and

WHEREAS, River Street Park and the River Street right-of-way provides a strategic location for that needed utility, and

WHEREAS, the Big Rapids Planning Commission and Park and Recreation Board have reviewed the location, and agree that it is located in a spot that is acceptable to all concerned, and

WHEREAS, DTE for the privilege of locating this regulating equipment is willing to pay the City \$20,000 to support park activities.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City Commission hereby accepts the recommendations of the Planning Commission and Park and Recreation Board and affirms the location of the gas regulating facility according to the engineering designs provided by DTE.

Yeas: Anderson, Hogenson, James, Rothstein, Warba

Nays: None

The Mayor declared the resolution adopted.

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RESOLUTION NO. 15-86

Commissioner Rothstein moved, supported by Commissioner Hogenson, the adoption of the following resolution.

**A RESOLUTION AMENDING AND ACCEPTING THE PLANNING COMMISSION
RECOMMENDATION AND APPROVING A TAX EXEMPTION AND PAYMENTS IN
LIEU OF TAXES (PILOT) FOR BIG RAPIDS HOUSING COMMISSION AND
MEADOW PARK APARTMENTS**

WHEREAS, Big Rapids Housing Commission, 9 Parkview Village, Big Rapids, Michigan 49307, "Sponsor/Owner" requested a tax exemption and payment in lieu of taxes for Meadow Park Apartments, 1835 Milton Avenue, Big Rapids, Michigan 49307 pursuant to MCL 125.1401 et seq., and Chapter 155 of Title 15 of the Big Rapids City Code, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Commission reviewed and discussed the request at its meeting and recommended granting of the tax exemption and acceptance of a payment in lieu of taxes as allowed by law, and

WHEREAS, in order to meet the requirement of Section 155.07(f) of the City's ordinance for tax exemption, which requires the housing developer to rehabilitate or remove some dilapidated or substandard housing stock within the City, Big Rapids Housing Commission agreed to contribute twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars to the City of Big Rapids for the rehabilitation and renovation of a residential structure to be determined in the future, and

WHEREAS, it has been determined that all requirements of the Act and the ordinance have been met and fulfilled,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission approves and grants the tax exemption for the Big Rapids Housing Commission and Meadow Park Apartments, 1835 Milton Avenue, Big Rapids, Michigan 49307, #54-17-11-200-022 and

The City of Big Rapids acknowledges that the Big Rapids Housing Commission (the "Sponsor") has offered in anticipation of the receipt of a Low Income Housing Tax Credit Reservation from the Michigan State Housing Development Authority, to own, rehabilitate, and operate a housing development identified as Meadow Park Apartments, #54-17-11-200-022, (the "Housing Development") on certain property located at 1835 Milton Avenue in the City of Big Rapids to serve persons of low and moderate income and that the Big Rapids Housing Commission has offered to pay the City of Big Rapids on account of this housing development a payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT).

It is determined that the class of Housing Development to which the tax exemption shall apply and for which a service charge shall be paid in lieu of such taxes shall be that portion of a development which is for low and moderate income persons and which is financed or assisted pursuant to the Act. It is further determined that Meadow Park Apartments are of this class.

The Housing Development identified as Meadow Park Apartments, 1835 Milton Avenue, Big Rapids, Michigan 49307, #54-17-11-200-022 and the property on which it is constructed shall be exempt from all property taxes from and after the commencement of rehabilitation. The City of Big Rapids, acknowledging that the Big

Rapids Housing Commission, Rural Development and the Authority have established the economic feasibility of the Housing Development in reliance upon the enactment and continuing effect of this Resolution and the qualification of the Housing Development for exemption from all property taxes and a Payment In Lieu Of Taxes (PILOT) as established in this Resolution, and in consideration of the Big Rapids Housing Commissions' offer, in anticipation of the receipt of a Low Income Housing Credit Reservation from the Authority or a Mortgage Loan from Rural Development, to own, rehabilitate, and operate the Housing Development, agrees to accept payment of an annual service charge for public services in lieu of all property taxes. The annual service charge shall be equal to 4% of the Annual Shelter Rents actually collected less Utilities.

The service charge in lieu of taxes as determined under the Ordinance shall be payable in the same manner as general property taxes are payable to the City of Big Rapids except that the annual payment shall be paid on or before April 1st of each year.

The Sponsor/Owner shall contribute twenty thousand (\$20,000) dollars to the City of Big Rapids for the rehabilitation and renovation of a residential structure to be determined in the future, and in satisfaction of §155.07(F) of the Big Rapids City Code, according to the terms of the Contribution Agreement, which the Mayor and Clerk are authorized to sign.

The tax exempt status shall remain in effect for thirty years or so long as the mortgage loan remains outstanding and unpaid or the Authority, or Rural Development has any interest in the property, whichever is less, provided, that rehabilitation or renovation of the housing development commences within one year from the effective date of the resolution.

Yeas: Anderson, Hogenson, James, Rothstein, Warba

Nays: None

The Mayor declared the resolution adopted.

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Mr. Sweppenheiser spoke on the conditional use permit to establish a single chair hair salon at 845 Osburn Circle. The property is located in the R1 District and home occupation is permitted in that district. Mr. Sweppenheiser read the nine requirements for approving a home occupation permit. He believes that the Planning Commission struggled with some of the definitions such as 'regular' hours and 'mechanical chair'. He also commented that even though the Planning Commission denied the request, he believes the City would retain more control through approval with conditions than with denial. There were four conditions placed in the resolution that he recommended.

Mayor Warba asked why there was a need for the City to control and what would the City control. Mr. Sweppenheiser replied that many of the points of the nine requirements could be argued very easily. Two residents from Osburn Circle came to the meeting and opposed the request, which could have had an effect on how the Planning Commission voted. This type of conditional use is very hard to regulate. People who are granted a Conditional Use Permit acknowledge that it is a privilege to have this permit and will obey the conditions that are placed on the permit.

Commissioner James asked how many home occupations there are in the City limits, what they are for, and how many are in the R1 Districts.

Mr. Sweppenheiser stated the following go back to 2002:

2002	120 Mill Street	Psychotherapeutic Service	R1
2003	215 Marion	Nail Salon	R1
2004	1009 Rose	Pet Grooming	R1
2006	604 Marion	Bookkeeping Service	R1
2008	514 Locust	Therapy Business	R1
2011	1410 Bjornson	Tax Preparer	R1
	930 Loudon	Group Day Care	

To Mr. Sweppenheiser's knowledge, the only business that is not still in business is 215 Marion. Mr. Sweppenheiser has had no complaints regarding any of these businesses since he has been in his current position with the City.

Commissioner Rothstein commented that he lives next door to the applicant. If not for talking to Ms. Latimer he would not have known that she had a chair installed in her home to cut the hair of friends and family. Ms. Holly Latimer came to Commissioner Rothstein and asked him how to begin the process for starting a business in her home. She wanted to do the right thing. There is no noise that generates from this business or parking problems. Ms. Latimer and her family are a delight to the neighborhood.

Commissioner Rothstein commented that he was very disappointed with the Planning Commission and their decision along with the neighbors that opposed the request.

Mayor Warba commented that there is nothing in the ordinance that invites anyone to consider the applicant or who they are as a person and hoped that the City would never start down that path.

Commissioner Hogenson stated that he was in support, however, he believes that the City has no choice but to return to the original intent of the legislation that governs this process. He understands the objections from the neighbors based on traffic and parking. The objection from Planning Commission member Tim Vogel sounded more like it was a narrow interpretation of what kind of chair was installed in the house. He has personally witnessed instances over the years where a relaxation of the statute was a moral, ethical, and pragmatic thing to do.

Ms. Holly Latimer spoke briefly as to why she wanted a home occupation conditional use permit. She has two small children and having this business in her home would allow her to work around her children and husband's schedules. She has renovated the porch into a salon that overlooks the river.

Luanne Rothstein spoke in support of Ms. Latimer. Ms. Rothstein commented that there are many cars in Ms. Latimer's driveway because she has a very large family that come over to visit. There is no problem with the parking because they have a very large driveway.

Mr. Sweppenheiser commented that he was unaware that Ms. Latimer had made any alternations to the home.

Commissioner Rothstein commented that in the ordinance there are exceptions and those need to be considered. He believes that this is a person who wanted to do the right thing and is being penalized by misinterpretation of the requirements. Commissioner Rothstein does not lay any blame on the Planning Commission for their decision.

Commissioner Anderson believes that there are zoning issues due to the fact that the house is on a bend, which may cause congestion of extra parking on the corner. Ms. Latimer knew it was zoned R1 when she purchased the home and the request was disapproved by the Planning Commission unanimously.

Commissioner James stated that in the resolution there are four bullet points that the applicant would have to adhere to if the resolution were to be approved. If Ms. Latimer wanted to do more than the resolution allows, she would have to come back to the City and reapply for a conditional use permit. Ms. Latimer currently has an establishment license.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-87

Commissioner Hogenson moved, seconded by Commissioner James, the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION GRANTING HOME OCCUPATION CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT FOR 845 OSBURN CIRCLE FOR A SINGLE CHAIR HAIR SALON

WHEREAS, the City of Big Rapids received a request for a conditional use permit to establish a single chair hair salon home occupation at 845 Osburn Circle, and

WHEREAS, the City Planning Commission, following a public hearing held on August 19, 2015, recommends that a conditional use permit for a home occupation be denied, and

WHEREAS, staff believes that the City would retain more control through approval with conditions than with denial and recommends granting the Conditional Use Permit to establish a single chair hair salon home occupation with the following conditions:

- Clients will park in the driveway and not in the street
- Appointments will be staggered
- No weekend business
- Limit of five (5) customers per day

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Big Rapids City Commission accepts staff's recommendation and approves the conditional use permit request to operate a single chair hair salon business at 845 Osburn Circle.

Yeas: Hogenson, James, Rothstein

Nays: Anderson, Warba

The Mayor declared the resolution adopted.

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RESOLUTION NO. 15-88

Commissioner Anderson moved, seconded by Commissioner Hogenson, the adoption of the following:

**RESOLUTION COMMITTING THE CITY OF BIG RAPIDS
TO ACTIVELY PURSUE CERTIFICATION AS A
REDEVELOPMENT READY COMMUNITY (RRC)**

WHEREAS, the City of Big Rapids is a vibrant community committed to improving the quality of life for its residents and tax payers, and

WHEREAS, in recent years Big Rapids and communities throughout all of Michigan have struggled with declining economic conditions and little development activity, and

WHEREAS, the Michigan Economic Development Corporation has established a Redevelopment Ready Community (RRC) program in coordination with its Pure Michigan campaign, and

WHEREAS, the City of Big Rapids recognizes the value of this new program and the importance of aligning our community's readiness for new development and redevelopment of existing properties, and

WHEREAS, the City of Big Rapids is willing to commit to improving its redevelopment readiness by agreeing to undergo a rigorous assessment of our regulations and process for addressing economic development opportunities, and

WHEREAS, The RRC Certification Program will make Michigan more competitive, which will help local communities to attract more businesses and talent and create local jobs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Big Rapids hereby commits to RRC's Best Practices with hopes of being awarded RRC Certificated.

Yeas: Anderson, Hogenson, James, Rothstein, Warba

Nays: None

The Mayor declared the resolution adopted.

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The City Commission took a five minute break. The City Commission resumed at 7:58.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-89

Commissioner Hogenson moved, supported by Commissioner Anderson, the adoption of the following resolution.

**A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING THE DEDICATION OF
STREETS, SIDEWALKS, AND RIGHT-OF-WAY
IN BROOKSIDE ESTATES**

WHEREAS, the Master Deed of Brookside Estates was recorded June 19, 2015, at Liber 855 Pages 671-683, in which appears Article 13, Dedication to Public:

All streets and sidewalks within the condominium, and the rights of way as shown on Exhibit B, and water mains and sewer mains up to their point of connection with the buildings plumbing system (as defined by ordinance) are hereby dedicated to the City of Big Rapids; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to accept the dedication of the streets, sidewalks, improvements and right of way which were constructed in compliance with City specifications and standards.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Big Rapids accepts the dedication of all streets, sidewalks, water mains, sewer mains, and the right of way described and reflected in the Master Deed of Brookside Estates recorded June 19, 2015, at Liber 855 Pages 671- 683 and depicted in Subdivision Plan No. 45 recorded at Liber 855 Pages 712-714.

The Clerk is directed to record this Resolution with the Mecosta County Register of Deeds.

Yeas: Anderson, Hogenson, James, Rothstein, Warba

Nays: None

The Mayor declared the resolution adopted.

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RESOLUTION NO. 15-90

Commissioner Rothstein moved, supported by Commissioner James, the adoption of the following resolution.

**RESOLUTION SUPPORTING AMENDMENT OF THE RECREATIONAL
AUTHORITIES ACT TO ALLOW CITIES AND SCHOOL DISTRICTS
TO FORM A RECREATIONAL AUTHORITY**

WHEREAS, the Recreational Authorities Act, MCL 123.1131-123.1157, authorizes municipalities to form a Recreational Authority, and

WHEREAS, school districts are not identified as entities that can join or form a recreational authority, and

WHEREAS, the City of Big Rapids and the Big Rapids School District engage in cooperative efforts to provide recreational facilities and programs in and for the greater Big Rapids Community, and

WHEREAS, the City of Big Rapids and the Big Rapids School District are exploring opportunities to form a recreational authority through which recreational facilities and programs could be maintained, expanded, enhanced, and offered to more people, and existing buildings could be improved and modified to provide additional recreational facilities, and

WHEREAS, an amendment to the Recreational Authorities Act is necessary to add "school district" to the list of entities that can join or form a Recreational Authority, and

WHEREAS, a bill proposing to amend the Recreational Authorities Act to include school districts has been introduced in the House by Representative Phil Potvin, and a similar bill is expected to be introduced in the Senate by Senator Darwin Booher.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Big Rapids City Commission supports and endorses the amendment of the Recreational Authorities Act to include school districts as authorized entities to join or form a recreational authority.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that copies of this Resolution should be sent to Governor Rick Snyder, the Michigan Municipal League, Representative Phil Potvin, Senator Judy Emmons, and Senator Darwin Booher.

Yeas: Anderson, Hogenson, James, Rothstein, Warba

Nays: None

The Mayor declared the resolution adopted.

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Mayor Warba stated that he will be forwarding the resolution on AeroMed to Christina Freese-Decker, president of Spectrum Health Hospital Group.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-91

Commissioner Anderson moved, supported by Commissioner Hogenson, the adoption of the following resolution

**RESOLUTION REQUESTING SPECTRUM TO RECONSIDER
THE RELOCATION OF THE AEROMED HELICOPTER**

WHEREAS, Spectrum Health Hospitals ["Spectrum"] has stationed an AeroMed helicopter at the Roben-Hood Airport ["Airport"] to help improve the health of the communities it would serve, and

WHEREAS, the region's entire health care system has been greatly enhanced through AeroMed's locally-dispatched helicopter service, and

WHEREAS, at a July 20, 2015, City Commission meeting, Mike Lafferty of Colt Aviation, the fixed base operator at the Airport, informed the City of Spectrum and AeroMed's decision to relocate the helicopter from Big Rapids to Traverse City as part of an agreement between Spectrum and Munson Healthcare to form a joint venture between AeroMed's northern operations and North Flight's EMS air division, operating from a base located in Traverse City, and

WHEREAS, the proposed relocation of the AeroMed helicopter from Big Rapids to Traverse City has raised questions and concerns surrounding response time and the continuing quality of care.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that on behalf of the citizens and communities in West Central Michigan, the City of Big Rapids requests Spectrum to reconsider the relocation of the AeroMed helicopter from Big Rapids to Traverse City.

Yeas: Anderson, Hogenson, James, Rothstein, Warba

Nays: None

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Mayor Warba stated that he could not endorse the proposed resolution as it is written. The wording of 'very few employees are outside the pay or benefit levels suggested' indicates that the City has done a very good job. It also calls for this study to be used as a template for a fair and equitable pay scale. This suggests that it has been unfair and inequitable, which it has not been. The Mayor believes that the City may get set up to detrimentally rely on the language in this proposed resolution.

A revised resolution was provided to the City Commission by Mayor Warba. Commissioners were in agreement of using the revised resolution.

RESOLUTION NO. 15-92

Commissioner Hogenson moved, seconded by Commissioner James, the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION ACCEPTING NON-BARGAINING CLASSIFICATION/COMPENSATION STUDY

WHEREAS, the City Commission per resolution 14-116, dated November 17, 2014, accepted the bid to have a full-time employee classification/compensation study completed, and

WHEREAS, a classification/compensation study has been completed by the Municipal Consulting Services, for all full-time non-bargaining employees of the City of Big Rapids that can be a resource for the development of a pay scale, and

WHEREAS, the study suggests that very few employees are outside the pay or benefit levels suggested by the study.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission hereby accepts the attached classification/compensation study as a guidebook for all full-time non-bargaining employees effective September 9, 2015 and allows the City Manager to consider the study when budgeting for pay and benefits, and when placing employees at their appropriate spot on the suggested step system.

Yeas: Anderson, Hogenson, James, Rothstein, Warba

Nays: None

The Mayor declared the resolution adopted.

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RESOLUTION NO. 15-93

Commissioner Hogenson moved, seconded by Commissioner James, the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION ON MAYORAL APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission hereby confirms the following Mayoral appointment/recommendation:

ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS

Chris Jane appointed to an unexpired term ending May 2016

Yeas: Anderson, Hogenson, James, Rothstein, Warba

Nays: None

The Mayor declared the resolution adopted.

Dated: September 8, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 15-94

Commissioner Hogenson moved, supported by Commissioner James, the adoption of the following resolution.

RESOLUTION ADJUSTING THE LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING SERGEANT'S RETIREMENT DATED DECEMBER 2, 2013

WHEREAS, in December 2013, there was no provision in the Sergeants' contract for a Defined Benefit retirement option, and

WHEREAS, an agreement for sergeant's retirement was completed on December 2, 2013, to allow this option to accommodate the future retirement of Officer Jerald Higgins, and

WHEREAS, this retirement called for a calculation of an annual retirement pension of \$63,438.00, and

WHEREAS, Sergeant Higgins and the City mutually agree that retirement at this time is in the best interest of both parties.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Commission of the City of Big Rapids authorizes the early retirement of Sergeant JJ Higgins at age 48 with the annual pension amount of \$63,438.00 as agreed in the December 2013, Letter of Understanding.

Yeas: Anderson, Hogenson, James, Rothstein

Abstain: Warba

Nays: None

The Mayor declared the resolution adopted.

Dated: September 8, 2015

RESOLUTION NO. 15-95

Commissioner Rothstein moved, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, the adoption of the following:

RESOLUTION ADJOURNING TO CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE POLICE SUPERVISORY AND PATROL UNIT UNION NEGOTIATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Commission adjourn to executive session for the purpose of discussing matters pertaining to the Police Supervisory and Patrol Unit union negotiations.

Yeas: Anderson, Hogenson, James, Rothstein, Warba

Nays: None

The Mayor declared the resolution adopted.

Dated: September 8, 2015

The City Commission went into closed session at 8:47 p.m. to discuss matters pertaining to the Police Supervisory and Patrol Unit union negotiations and returned to regular session at 9:15 p.m.

UNSCHEDULED BUSINESS

The Old Jail made \$1,100 from their Labor Day yard sale.

The Friends of the Library made \$4,400 on their book sales.

City Treasurer interviews are going very well. Currently Mr. Sobers is checking references of applicants. He will report the findings back to the Commission.

There will be a September 11th ceremony at Pocket Park starting at noon on Friday. There being no further business to come before the City Commission, the Mayor declared the meeting adjourned at 9:21 p.m.

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Mayor Mark J. Warba

Tamyra K. Gillis, City Clerk