

October 22, 2012

Mayor Jenkins opened the regular meeting of the Gaylord City Council with prayer by Council Member Sharrard at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, October 22, 2012, in the City Council Chambers, located in the Gaylord City Hall, 305 East Main Street, Gaylord, Michigan. The Pledge of Allegiance followed the invocation.

Members Present: Campbell, Duczkowski, Jenkins, Mankowski, Sharrard and Wishart.

Members Absent: Johnson.

Motion by Wishart, supported by Campbell, to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and to accept them as presented.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Council Member Campbell requested that regulation of fireworks be placed on the agenda of the next regular meeting.

Mr. Gene Skiba of Wernig Chevrolet appeared before City Council to request permission to install additional signage at his business location at 2401 South Otsego Avenue. The request was to allow additional signage totaling 101.42, in addition to the 1,004.70 square feet of signage that is currently on the property. Mr. Skiba explained that the additional signage is necessary to comply with franchise requirements. The Council discussed the size of the property, as well as the number of businesses located on the property.

Motion by Mankowski, supported by Campbell, to approve a request by Mr. Gene Skiba, Wernig Chevrolet, 2401 South Otsego Avenue, to install additional signage totaling 101.42 square feet in addition to the existing 1,004.70 square feet of signage already installed.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Duczkowski, supported by Campbell, to authorize the City Manager to proceed with appointment of the new WWT Superintendent, as presented.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Mankowski, supported by Wishart WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has enacted the Publicly Funded Health Insurance Contribution Act, Act 152 of 2011, (the "Act") and, WHEREAS, the Act provides for limits on the amount that a local unit of government may pay or contribute to a medical benefit plan for its employees, and, WHEREAS, the City desires to comply with the provisions of the Act and avoid penalties for non-compliance. NOW THEREFORE, the City resolves that it will comply with the contribution limits contained in Section 3 of the Act, subject to the limitations contained in Section 5 of the Act pertaining to collective bargaining agreements.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Mr. Larry Edwards, Mr. Mark Copeland, Mr. Chuck Fain and Mr. Bob McNamara appeared before City Council with a request to lease City Property located east of East Fifth Street, for the development of a

recreational park, to provide activities such as sand volleyball, disc golf, dog park, archery range and climbing wall. The park would be jointly developed and operated by the OWLS and Rotary Clubs. City Council discussed liability issues, as well questioned how the park would be operated. A member of the audience, Ms. Tammy LaBouef, stated that she felt the park could provide additional revenues throughout the City and gave her support. City Manager Duff stated he would obtain more information from the City's insurance carrier's Risk Management division, and report his findings to City Council. No formal action was taken.

Motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Rebecca Curtis, City Clerk  
John Jenkins, Mayor