

CALL TO ORDER

IN REGULAR SESSION Monday, September 17, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers of Town Hall, 323 West Michigan Avenue, Marshall, MI, the Marshall City Council was called to order by Mayor Reed.

ROLL CALL

Roll was called:

Present: Council Members: Caron, Costa, McNeil, Metzger, and Mayor Reed.

Also Present: City Manager Tarkiewicz and Clerk Nelson.

Absent: Council Member Williams.

Moved Metzger, and supported Costa, to excuse the absence of Council Member Williams. On a voice vote: **MOTION CARRIED.**

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Reed led the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved Metzger, supported Caron, to approve the agenda with the addition of the Michigan South Central Power Agency Invoice in the amount of \$791,503.79, event reports for the Grand River Brewery Grand Opening and Sibley Lane Block Harvest Celebration, and Closed Session to discuss exempt material. On a voice vote – **MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON AGENDA ITEMS

None.

APPOINTMENT OF WARD ONE CITY COUNCIL MEMBER

Moved Metzger, supported Caron, to approve the appointment of Scott Wolfersberger to fill the vacant Ward One City Council Seat. On a voice vote – **MOTION CARRIED.**

Clerk Nelson administered the Oath of Office to Scott Wolfersberger for Ward One City Council Member.

CONSENT AGENDA

Moved Caron, supported McNeil, to approve the Consent Agenda:

- A. Scheduled a public hearing for October 15, 2018 to hear public comment regarding a PA 425 Land Transfer for property owned by Family Bible Church, 725 North Old US 27;
- B. Approve the contract and resolution with MDOT for assistance with their

preliminary engineering work on Michigan Avenue and authorize the Clerk to sign the agreement;

- C. Minutes of the City Council Regular Session held on Monday, August 20, 2018 and Special Session held on Monday, August 27, 2018;
- D. Approve city bills in the amount of \$ 1,544,827.55;

On a roll call vote – ayes: Caron, Costa, McNeil, Metzger, Mayor Reed, and Wolfersberger; nays: none. **MOTION CARRIED.**

PRESENTATIONS AND RECOGNITION

A. Suicide Prevention Month Proclamation:

CITY OF MARSHALL, MICHIGAN

PROCLAMATION

September Is National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month

WHEREAS; September is known around the United States as National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month and is intended to help promote awareness surrounding each of the Suicide Prevention resources available to us and our community. The simple goal is to learn how to help those around us and how to talk about suicide without increasing the risk of harm; and

WHEREAS; Suicidal thoughts can affect anyone regardless of age, gender, race, orientation, income level, religion, or background; and

WHEREAS; According to the CDC, each year more than 41,000 people die by suicide; and

WHEREAS; Suicide is the 10th leading cause of death among adults in the US, and the 2nd leading cause of death among people aged 10-24; and

WHEREAS; Marshall, Michigan is no different than any other community in the country, but chooses to publicly state and place our full support behind local educators, mental health professionals, athletic coaches, pack leaders, police officers, and parents, as partners in supporting our community in simply being available to one another; and

WHEREAS; local organizations like Suicide Prevention Services (SPS) and national organizations like the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) are on the front lines of a battle that many still refuse to discuss in public, as suicide and mental illness remain too taboo a topic to speak on; and

WHEREAS, every member of our community should understand that throughout life's struggles we all need the occasional reminder that we are all silently fighting our own battles; and

WHEREAS, I encourage all residents to take the time to inquire as to the wellbeing of their family, friends, and neighbors over the next few days and to genuinely convey their appreciation for their existence by any gesture they deem appropriate. A simple phone call, message, handshake, or hug can go a long way towards helping someone realize that suicide is not the answer.

NOW, THEREFORE, be it resolved that I, Mayor Jack Reed, do hereby proclaim the month of September 2018, as National Suicide Prevention Awareness Month in the City of Marshall.

Dated this seventeenth day of September, 2018, A.D.

Jack Reed, Mayor

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Event Reports were provided for the Grand River Brewery Grand Opening and the Sibley Lane Block Harvest Celebration.

PUBLIC HEARINGS & SUBSEQUENT COUNCIL ACTION

None.

OLD BUSINESS

None.

REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

A. Professional Engineering Services with Stantec Consulting:

Moved Metzger, supported Costa, to approve the City Council will consider the recommendation to approve the following projects utilizing the current Master Services Agreement with Stantec Consulting and authorize the City Clerk to sign any necessary documents:

- **Michigan Avenue Water Main Replacement** – Engineering Costs not to exceed \$102,400
- **North Marshall Water Storage Tank** – Engineering Costs (Preliminary Design Report) \$30,700
- **Perrin Dam Water Main Relocation** – Engineering Costs \$104,200

On a roll call vote – ayes: McNeil, Metzger, Mayor Reed, Wolfersberger, Caron, and Costa; nays: none. **MOTION CARRIED.**

APPOINTMENTS/ELECTIONS

A. Airport Board Appointment:

Moved McNeil, supported Wolfersberger, to approve the reappointment of Steve Buller to the Airport Board with a term expiring October 1, 2021. On a voice vote – **MOTION CARRIED.**

PUBLIC COMMENT ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Kathy Miller of 540 Cosmopolitan announced there would be a Winter Farmer's Market and they are working out the details of the new location.

COUNCIL AND MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

CLOSED SESSION

Moved McNeil, supported Metzger, to enter into Closed Session under section 8 (f) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by state or federal statute. On a roll call vote – ayes: Caron, Costa, McNeil, Metzger, Mayor Reed, and Wolfersberger; nays: none. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Enter into Closed Session at 7:46 p.m.

Return to Open Session at 8:56 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 p.m.

Jack Reed, Mayor

Trisha Nelson, City Clerk