LAKE ANGELUS CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

NOVEMBER 11, 2014

Present: Mayor, Patrick McNew; Councilmembers Chuck Poploskie, Dan Jenaras, Jon Cabot, and Dennis Mitchell; Treasurer, Julie Frakes; Attorney, Dan Christ; Building Official, Brain Oppmann; Police Chief, Jim Prosser; Planning Commission Chair, Bob Bailey; Road Commissioner, Karl Storrie; Clerk, Rosalie Lake

Visitors: Charles McMath

Mayor McNew opened the meeting at 7 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance. The Minutes of the meeting of October 14, 2014 were approved as corrected.


Mayor McNew noted that having the Police vehicle parked around the city has been very successful and well received. There have been great comments on both the Commodore’s Ball and the Halloween hayrides and Barn party.

Comments from Residents: Charles McMath, son of Betty and former Mayor Fran McMath, presented to Mayor McNew a mayoral name plaque that he had made for his father when Fran was Mayor of the City. Chuck also spoke about his family’s history at the Lake.

Police Chief, Jim Prosser gave the Department report for October. The Lake level is 949.9. The Chief has ordered a new police car at an approximate cost of $32,000. Equipment from the old car will be transferred when it is possible to do so. A Holiday party for the Reserve Officers is being planned as was held last year. Councilmember Cabot moved to approve $250 for the party. Councilmember Poploskie seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Councilmember Cabot moved to approve a $50 gift for up to 32 Police Officers. Councilmember Jenaras seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Building and Permits: Building Official, Brian Oppmann, indicated that the Planning Commission will meet on November 18 to review the plans for Jim and Chris Cortez’s residence at 2050 & 2048 Lake Angelus Shores. The Wegrzyns need to have the property adjustment recorded to move forward. The Greenlees have demolished their house and are getting ready to pour new foundations. There were some complaints about pumping water toward the Lake. Mr. Oppmann has checked on it. Treasurer Frakes presented the new contracts with Carlisle Wortman for inspectors and for the Code Enforcement retainer. Councilmember Cabot moved to authorize the Mayor to sign the independent contractor agreements. Councilmember Poploskie seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Mrs. Frakes asked about the content of the spreadsheet from Susan to cover attendance at meetings or other costs not included in the retainer. Attorney, Dan Christ, indicated that a timeline for communication with Brian regarding civil infractions will be discussed at the next PC meeting.
Clerk, Rosalie Lake, reported that the General Election went very well with a high turn-out, many voting by absentee ballot. She thanked all of the Election Inspectors who served on November 4th, Chuck DeLorge for setting up the voting area, and Brad Rachwal for delivering the precinct results to the County at the end of the day. The Rachwal family will be using the Barn for a square dance party on November 22nd.

No Planning Commission meeting was held in October.

Treasurer, Julie Frakes, gave her report. The Profit and Loss sheet projected 33.3% use of the budget. The actual was 33.7%. The Balance sheet totaled $110,000 above last year. A CD will mature in December. Mrs. Frakes will bring rates to the December meeting for reinvestment. She reviewed the warrants. Councilmember Cabot moved to approve the financial reports, noting those warrants above $500. Councilmember Jenaras seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

19636 to Billington Services for $1430          19641 to Waterford Fire Dept for $52,500
19643 to Voyager Fleet for $729.15             19644 to Code Enforcement for $1480
19645 to RCOC for $1886.50                     19647 to Hafeli Staran Christ for $1922.70
19650 to OC No-Haz for $628.97                 19651 to Restorative Lake Sci. for $4400
19665 to Code enforcement for $1132.50         19667 to First Choice Building for $805.50
19677 to Mosher& Assoc. for $2905             19678 to Kevin McDaniel for $549.73
19683 to OC Sheriff for $3750

There are four parcels with unpaid Summer Taxes. Winter Tax statements will be printed at the end of November and sent out about December 1st. Joe Hilger will be asked to fill out the Video Cable Survey. There have been numerous complaints about Comcast.

There are four documents that have to be filed with the State for municipalities that qualify for the CVTRS (City, Village and Township Revenue Sharing) program that replaces the previous EVIP (Economic Vitality Incentive Program). Lake Angelus does not qualify for this program, but one of those documents does fulfill MDOT criteria to continue receiving Road Revenue Sharing funds, so that document will be completed and posted to the City website as required by MDOT. It is not important to complete the other three documents since the City does not qualify for the CVTRS program. Jim Cortez is working with IGD to determine the best method to link this and other State required information on the City website. Councilmember Cabot moved to approve up to $500 for adding required items to the website. Councilmember Poploskie seconded. Motion carried unanimously. Clerk Lake indicated that several documents are missing from the website that IGD had previously been sent for publishing. A discussion ensued about the use of the website by residents and for the ‘Angelus’. Views varied.

Roads: Commissioner Karl Storrie reported that the final grading and chloriding of Gallogly and North Lake Angelus Road will be done soon. The reconstruction of Baldwin Road is coming along.

Environmental Board: Dennis Mitchell indicated that a planned meeting had to be rescheduled. There is a timetable for permits for next year’s herbiciding. It needs to be considered in January or February. A meeting was held including Jennifer of Restorative Sciences, Jim Hibbard, and Bob Bailey to plan for soil testing.
Councilmember Mitchell met with Mike from Ace Pyro to plan for the Fourth of July fireworks display. They are looking for a place to launch the barge. They will check the boat launch on the Shores Road to see if it and the canal are adequate. Mr. Poploskie noted that the amount of money for fireworks increased because of individual donations. He asked whether the City should increase its contribution by the amount of the donations, an increase of $3000. Dr. Cabot felt that an appropriate adjustment to the City’s contribution should be made as it has been the same ($8000) since 1997.

Attorney Christ provided a Resolution supporting the Auburn Hills Resolution regarding greater local control of the storage and use of fireworks. There are bills in Committee to repeal the Act in question. Councilmember Cabot moved to support a Resolution to repeal Act 256 of 2011. Councilmember Poploskie seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The Clerk was instructed to send a copy of the Resolution to Governor Snyder and to the Chairperson of the appropriate committee. There being no further business, Councilmember Cabot moved to adjourn the meeting at 8:35 PM. Councilmember Poploskie seconded. Motion carried unanimously. The next regularly scheduled meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 9, 2014.

Approved: Respectfully submitted,

Patrick McNew, Mayor Rosalie Lake, Clerk