LAKE ANGELUS CITY  COUNCIL MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 11, 2007

Present: Mayor, Pierre Beaudet; Councilmembers, Lee McNew, Gail Haines, George Drake; Treasurer, Julie Frakes; Police Chief, John Roehrig; Attorney, Dan Christ; Clerk, Rosalie Lake
Absent: Councilmember, Bill Lembke
Visitors: Brad Rachwal, Heidi Hoyles, Michelle Drake

Mayor Beaudet called the meeting to order at 7:34 and asked for approval of the Minutes of the Council meeting of August, 2007. Minutes were approved as corrected.

The Clerk reported the status of candidates for the Council election in November. Five candidates have been nominated and their materials have been submitted to the County Elections Bureau.

A resident contacted the Clerk to know what rules exist in the City regarding who may keep a boat on the Lake. A discussion ensued attempting to define resident or occupant vs: property owner regarding maintaining a boat. Environmental issues relating to moving boats on and off the Lake were of concern. Attorney Christ will attempt to clarify the language in the City’s boating rules.

Comments from Residents: It was hoped that some kind of biography of the candidates for the City Council would appear in the ‘Angelus’. Julie Frakes asked for volunteers to help with the annual Halloween party.

Chief Roehrig gave the Police Department report. The Department has acquired a new, white Durango. Graphics and equipment are being installed. New partitions will be needed because of the side air bags.

Mayor Beaudet gave the Environmental report in the absence of Leon Pedell. The Environmental Board will report next month on the wetlands project. Signatures will be obtained from the affected residents to allow the project to go forward. Starr Foster would like the City to pay for the eradication of phragmity at a cost of $2000-$3000. Dr. Beaudet will discuss this further with Dr. Pedell.

Roads: Lake Angelus Shores has been repaved. The boat launch was paved for $1400. The Shores Association would like the City to pay for it. Treasurer Frakes indicated that, if local road funds can be used, the money is available. She will determine this.

Planning Commission: Building Official, Brian Oppmann, has received no response from either the Chases or Sheas regarding the drainage problem on the properties. The Biggers’ drainage will be an issue, as well.

Treasurer Frakes presented her report. She reviewed the warrants for the month. The windows in City Hall will be paid for in thirds. The Pontiac School District has paid all expenses for the School District election in May. Property taxes are 98% paid. The
income statement is on target and the Balance sheet looks good. Councilmember Drake moved to approve the treasurer’s report noting warrants above $500. Councilmember Haines seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

#14546 to Linda Burton for $1000        #14547 to Billington Services for $1040
#void EFTPS for $2454.60                 #14566 to Code Enforcement for $1364.50
#14571 to Hafeli Staran for $1418.82    #void EFT State of MI for $600.40
#14575 to IGD Solutions for $1760       #14576 to Voyager Fleet for $712.61
#14578 to Michael Dell for $5121.64     #void EFTPS for $1831.14

The Waterford Department of Public Works indicated that there is a household connected to the Waterford sewer system for which no payments have been made. Waterford wants the City to pay the bill and collect from the homeowner on the tax bill. To date, the taxes have not been paid on this property either.

Audit materials have been sent to Janz and Knight.

A bill from SEMCOG has been received for annual dues. The amount is in line with past requests. The question of the value of this membership to the City was raised. Councilmember Haines will contact SEMCOG to try to determine whether it is appropriate to continue membership.

Legal: Attorney Christ reviewed revisions that had been made to the ordinance regarding Special Assessment Districts. Councilmembers will review it again and determine whether to enact the ordinance.

The City has received copies of a resident’s appeal to the Michigan Tax Tribunal. A response is required within thirty days. Clerk Lake will check with Assessor, Linda Burton to see whether she is going to write the response or whether it should be referred to Mr. Christ. The Council would like a copy of the response. Ms. Burton will be invited to come to a Council meeting to discuss assessments.

There being no further business, Mayor Beaudet adjourned the meeting and confirmed the next regularly scheduled meeting for October 9, 2007.

Approved: Respectfully submitted,

Pierre Beaudet, Mayor Rosalie Lake, Clerk