

**Call to Order at 6:30 p.m.**

**Roll Call:** Council member Flanagan, O'Donnell, Robertson, Lijewski, Mayor Humphrey

**Staff Present:** City Manager, Darwin Watson; City Clerk, Amy Fidler; Deputy Clerk, Nancy Griffin; Parks Director, Kristen D'Amico; Police Chief, Rich Killips

**Approval of Agenda:** Motion by Flanagan, seconded by Lijewski to approve the agenda with moving item 8 special recognitions to after public comment:

Voice Vote. Motion Carried

**Approval of Consent Agenda:** Motion by Robertson, seconded by Flanagan to approve the consent agenda:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: O'Donnell, Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

**Public Comment:**

Jacob Vravis

Laura Murray

**Special Recognitions-**

Police Chief, Rich Killips presented Sergeant Tillery with a lifesaving award for saving a person from a fire.

Parks Director, Kristen D'Amico presented Bob Kerns with a service recognition award for working for the City of New Buffalo for many years.

**New Business**

**Oselka Park – Ball Field Maintenance:** Motion by Flanagan, seconded by Lijewski to approve the awarding of the reconditioning of the ball fields at Oselka Park to Hostetler Lawn & Landscaping in the amount of \$16,560.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, O'Donnell, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

**New Buffalo Area Recreation Authority Appointees:** Motion by Robertson, seconded by O'Donnell to table the appointments of the New Buffalo Area Recreation Authority until it's advertised in the local papers and on the website:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Flanagan, O'Donnell, Lijewski, Robertson

NAYES: Humphrey

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 4-1.

**Farmer's Market Agreement Amendment:** Motion by Flanagan, seconded by Lijewski to approve amending the New Buffalo Farmer's Market Special Event ending date to September 16, 2021:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Lijewski, Robertson, Flanagan, O'Donnell, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

**Redevelopment Ready Communities (RRC) Resolution:** Motion by Flanagan, seconded by Robertson to approve the city's participation in the Michigan Economic Development Corporation's Redevelopment Ready Communities (RRC) Program and Resolution 21.19:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Robertson, O'Donnell, Lijewski, Flanagan, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

**Michigan Department of Natural Resources – Land & Water Conservation Fund Grant Acceptance:**

Motion by Robertson, seconded by Lijewski to approve the acceptance of the Land & Water Conservation Fund Program Grant from the DNR in the amount of \$440,000. Additionally, city staff is authorized to execute the necessary documentation to be submitted to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: O'Donnell, Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

**Marina Repairs – Final Payments:** Motion by Flanagan, seconded by Lijewski to approve payments to City Plumbing & Heating and McGuire’s Professional Construction in the amounts of \$19,232.80 and \$17,412.75:

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Flanagan, O’Donnell, Robertson, Lijewski, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

**Engineering Services – Whittaker Street Shoreline Protection:** Motion by Flanagan, seconded by Lijewski to approve the acceptance proposal from Abonmarche for the preliminary engineering for Whittaker Street Shoreline Protection Project in the amount of \$47.,900.00.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Robertson, Lijewski, Flanagan, O’Donnell, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAINED:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

**Discussion Items:**

Council discussed “Back to the Bricks” Car show and decided it is not compatible with the space and timing of the event.

**Council Comments:**

Councilmember Lijewski thanked Bob Kerns and Jack Kennedy for their service to the city.

Mayor Humphrey apologized that the Council meeting had to be postponed and rescheduled for tonight, and also explained how the city dealt with the Covid exposure at City Hall.

**Adjournment:**

Motion by Robertson, seconded by Lijewski to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m.

Roll Call Vote:

AYES: Lijewski, Robertson, O’Donnell, Flanagan, Humphrey

NAYES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

Motion Carried, 5-0.

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**John Humphrey, Mayor**

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**Ann M. Fidler, City Clerk**