

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ROGERS CITY CITY COUNCIL  
HELD IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY, MAY 18, 2010

Mayor Hall presided and called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. with Council Member Greene leading the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL: PRESENT – Council Members Darrin Darga, Debra Greene, Gary Nowak, Thomas Sobeck, and Mayor Beach Hall.

OTHER CITY PERSONNEL PRESENT – City Mgr. Mark Slown, Police Chief Matt Quaine, and Clerk/Treasurer Theresa Heinzl.

**ADDITION TO AGENDA:** Mayor Hall stated that Council Member Darga is requesting that “TAB” be added as an agenda item. Council Members had no objection to adding the item to this meeting’s agenda.

It was moved by Council Member Sobeck, seconded by Council Member Nowak, that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of May 4, 2010 and the minutes of the Budget Workshop Meeting of May 11, 2010 be approved as written.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – All, the motion carried.

**CITIZENS APPEARING BEFORE THE COUNCIL:**

**Harold Newhouse** addressed Council along with his neighbor, **Annette Reieron**, on the use of the Fourth Street parking lot by young people. Reieron described what she has observed going on in the parking lot. She and Newhouse are convinced that this is an accident waiting to happen because there are six young children that recently moved into the neighborhood. Newhouse reiterated some of the incidents that he has mentioned previously to Council as well as some recent happenings. He read from a document signed by the individual, who was affected by the near accident that occurred at the Fourth and Erie intersection. He repeated several times that Council has not taken any action on this issue thereby tying the hands of the police. Mayor Hall stated that the Council is aware of Mr. Newhouse’s position on the parking lot. Police Chief Quaine was asked for his comments on this subject. He indicated the trash issue is being addressed through an announcement by Supt. Jamie Huber in cooperation with SRO Bisson to the high school students. Mayor Hall concluded the address noting that the issue is to be directed to Chief Quaine.

**CITY CLERK’S REPORT:**

Clerk/Treasurer Heinzl reported that all those who indicated they will be attending the MML Region VI meeting here in Rogers City are registered. The meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 4, 2010 beginning at 10 a.m. at the Rogers City Area Senior Center.

**CHECK AND INVOICE APPROVAL:**

It was moved by Council Member Greene, seconded by Council Member Darga, that the following total fund expenditures be recognized as payments made and payments to be made, approved as such, and the Mayor authorized to sign the check register.

General Fund	118,709.52
Major Street Fund	1,182.19
Local Street Fund	1,771.01
Community Development Authority	1,390.37
VSCI Capital Projects Fund	36,609.41
Wastewater Treatment Operation Fund	27,626.99
Water Utility Fund	8,140.74
Marina Operations Fund	4,384.14
Garbage Collection Fund	8,107.86
Equipment Fund	4,186.96
Trust and Agency Fund	147.50

ROLL CALL: Ayes – All, the motion carried.

**CITY ATTORNEY’S REPORT:** Atty. Vogler was not present for this meeting.

**CITY MANAGER’S REPORT:**

City Mgr. Slown reported on the following:

- **USDA Project:** Approval has been received from USDA for the water portion of the project. DNRE has approved the water project permit as well. The sewer project is still waiting for their approvals.
- **Pavilion Status:** Mr. and Mrs. Randy Klump have volunteered to take over operation of the Pavilion Grille for Laurel Gikas, who has notified the City Manager that she will not be returning to Rogers City this summer and will not be able to open the pavilion. At this point a motion was offered by Council Member Nowak.

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**RESOLUTION NO. 2010-52**

A motion was made by Council Member Nowak, seconded by Council Member Greene, that the lease agreement with Laurel Gikas for operation of the Pavilion Grille be assigned to Randy and Jackie Klump and that the City Manager, City Attorney, and Mayor work out the details of the contract. Said agreement to be signed by the Mayor and Clerk on behalf of the City and that Randy and Jackie Klump be provided access to the facilities prior to the signing of the agreement.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – All, the motion carried.

- **NEMCOG Health Insurance Pool:** A proposal is being worked on by NEMCOG to set up a regional insurance pool. It may or may not be beneficial to the City; however, the City's information has been given to NEMCOG and attention will be given to this as it progresses. Council Member Nowak asked about the NEMCOG reorganization to which Slown responded. Presque County has two representatives on the NEMCOG Board, one from the County Board of Commissioners and one from the City.
- **Sheriff's Work Crew:** NEMCOG has been instrumental in helping to begin this program. The City will be taking advantage of this program and the DPW is already signed up to use this no cost labor source.
- **Business Survey Comments:** The accumulated comments are available in the City Manager's office. He will also e-mail the report to Council Members.
- **April Financial Report:** The revenue/expenditure report for April 2010 was briefly reviewed. A copy was provided to Council in their meeting packet. There were no questions from the Council Members.

**COMMISSION AND BOARD REPORTS:** No reports.

**LIAISONS:**

**RCAFA** met last week and Mayor Hall reported that a sub-committee is working on an internal posting to fill the fire chief position vacated recently by Tim Luebke.

**MAYOR:**

Mayor Hall reported that the webcam at the Marina is up and running. It can be seen on the City's website ([www.rogerscity.com](http://www.rogerscity.com)). It will be a help for fishermen as they will be able to check the weather to determine the conditions for fishing.

**BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

Mayor Hall offered the reappointments of Jim Bingle and Jane Kroll to the Harbor Advisory Committee. With the recent decrease in the number of board members on the Harbor Advisory Committee, Bob Parsons was not reappointed and a letter expressing the gratitude of the City for his many years of service was sent to Mr. Parsons by Mayor Hall.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2010-53**

A motion was made by Council Member Nowak, seconded by Council Member Greene, to approve the reappointments of Jim Bingle and Jane Kroll to the Harbor Advisory Committee. Each is to serve a 5-year term which will expire in 2015.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – All, the motion carried.

Hall concluded his remarks asking the community to attend the Memorial Day Parade on Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup> beginning at 10 a.m. He also wished all a safe and pleasant start for the summer vacation season.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:** None.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**PUBLIC HEARING – FY 2010-2011 BUDGET**

Mayor Hall declared the public hearing to receive comments on the FY2010-2011 budget open at 7:34 p.m. It was reported that there were no written comments received and no comments were expressed from those in attendance at this meeting. Hearing no comments, Mayor Hall declared the public hearing closed at 7:35 p.m.

**ADOPTION OF FY2010-2011 BUDGET**

Mayor Hall then called for a resolution to adopt the FY2010-2011 budget as presented to Council in their meeting packet.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2010-54**

The following resolution was offered by Council Member Sobeck, seconded by Council Member Greene:

WHEREAS, the City Manager of the City of Rogers City has presented to this City Council a proposed budget for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011; and

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WHEREAS, the proposed budget has been reviewed and found to be in accordance with the general fiscal and budgetary policies as established by this City Council; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on this budget submission on May 18, 2010 at 7:00 p.m. in the City Council Chambers of the City Hall of Rogers City, Michigan; and

WHEREAS, this document is on file in the official records and documents of the City of Rogers City.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council, under the authority granted by the City Charter, does hereby levy the following tax on all real and personal property within the corporate limits of the City; said tax levy to be for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011:

General Operations	16.6711 mills
City Band Operations	.2000 mills

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Council does hereby approve and adopt the FY2010-2011 budget as submitted and appropriates the following sums for the purposes set forth therein:

General Fund	\$1,910,943
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund	610
Major Street Fund	311,635
Local Street Fund	183,899
Band Fund	14,484
Community Development Authority Fund	99,562
Small Cities Fund	1,687
Act 302 Training Fund	1,500
2008 Debt Service Fund	34,260
Capital Projects – VSCI Grant	59,600
Wastewater Treatment Fund	5,699,940
Water Fund	3,848,180
Marina Fund	339,326
Garbage Collection Fund	113,259
Equipment Pool Fund	238,874
Separation Pay Reserve Fund	8,422

ROLL CALL: Ayes – Greene, Sobeck, Hall.  
Nays – Darga and Nowak. The motion carried.

**PROPOSAL FOR PHASE II – WAYFINDING SIGNAGE SERVICES**

A proposal was received from Fleis and VandenBrink to complete engineering services for specifications and bidding of the wayfinding signage. The proposed amount is \$12,900. Funds have been budgeted for this project under VSCI. The CDA approved the proposal at their May 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2010-55**

A motion was made by Council Member Nowak, seconded by Council Member Greene, to accept the proposal from Fleis and VandenBrink in the amount of \$12,900 to provide engineering services for the specifications and bidding of the Wayfinding Signage Project. Said proposal to be signed by the Mayor on behalf of the City.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – All, the motion carried.

**REQUEST – ALPENA SHRINE CLUB**

A copy of the letter from the Alpena Shrine Club was included in the Council meeting packet. The Shrine Club is asking permission to sell their Shrine newspapers at the Third and Erie Street intersection on June 25-26, 2010. They are also asking for six street cones at this intersection for safety measures. The required insurance certificate has already been provided to the City.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2010-56**

A motion was made by Council Member Nowak, seconded by Council Member Darga, to approve the request of the Alpena Shrine Club to sell newspapers at the intersection of Third and Erie Streets on June 25-26, 2010. Said approval also includes the use of six (6) street cones.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – All, the motion carried.

**DRAFT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS – PEG CHANNEL**

Council was given a copy of the draft request for proposals (RFP) for operation of the PEG Channel for their review prior to the meeting. Council Member Nowak questioned whether it would be better if the City purchased the necessary equipment and owned it rather than have the bidder provide the equipment. Different comments surfaced regarding this. Council Member Sobeck thinks that he would rather have the bidder own the equipment necessary to operate the service; there would be more value in the contract if the bidder has control over his equipment. Slown suggested that it may be better to first find out who may want to bid on providing the service and at that time, it may be determined as to their needs. Council Member Sobeck indicated that he was happy with the details specified in the request for proposals. It was the consensus of Council that the RFP as presented was adequate to meet the City needs.

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**DISBANDMENT OF TAB (added to agenda)**

This item was added to the agenda at the request of Council Member Darga, who stated that in light of the inactivity of TAB and the fact that some accomplishments were achieved while others were not, he proposed that this committee be disbanded.

**RESOLUTION NO. 2010-57**

A motion was made by Council Member Darga, seconded by Council Member Nowak, that the Technology Advisory Board be disbanded and that all members, both current and past, be notified of this decision and acknowledged for their service to this board.

ROLL CALL: Ayes – All, the motion carried.

**OTHER BUSINESS:**

Council Member Greene stated that on June 4<sup>th</sup>, the MML Region VI meeting will be held. It is an educational seminar. Dave Ivan from MSU will be speaking to the Region VI attendees. There also will be a public forum on June 4<sup>th</sup> from 7-8 a.m. at the Senior Center. This public forum is open to the public. Greene added that visitors will be coming from other communities for the MML Region VI meeting. Council Member Nowak stated that Mr. Ivan is an outstanding speaker and encouraged everyone to attend the meeting open to all members of the community.

**CLOSED SESSION:** None.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being nothing further to come before Council, Mayor Hall declared the meeting adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

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BEACH HALL, MAYOR

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THERESA A. HEINZEL, CITY CLERK/  
TREASURER