

May 22, 2017

Mayor Jenkins opened the regular meeting of the Gaylord City Council with a prayer by Council Member Sharrard at 7:00pm on Monday, May 22, 2017, in the City Council Chambers, located in the Gaylord City Hall, 305 East Main Street, Gaylord, Michigan. The Pledge of Allegiance followed the invocation.

Members Present: Johnson, Wishart, Jenkins, and Sharrard.

Members Absent: Duczkowski, Mankowski and Hartz.

Motion by Wishart, supported by Sharrard, to dispense with the reading of the minutes from the meeting on May 8th, 2017 and the minutes from the Budget Work Session on May 15th, 2017 and accept them as presented.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Sharrard, supported by Johnson to excuse Council Members Duczkowski, Mankowski and Hartz from tonight's meeting.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Public Comment:

Jason Evans, Vanderbilt Michigan, wanted City Council to know that he was overcharged for a city police report according to FOIA regulations.

Jason Brock, Gaylord Michigan, the City needs a long term strategy for handling medical marihuana and the ability to replace lost jobs in our community.

Chad Morrow, Vanderbilt Michigan, LARA encourages citizens to work with local municipalities to procure licenses needed (for medical marihuana activities) to move forward with the state.

Mark Carol, Indian River Michigan: Use of medical marihuana has helped make his wife and he opiate free.

Cody Bigelow, Gaylord Michigan, read a letter from a Cerebral Palsy Patient using medical marihuana. It's being prescribed by doctors other than "pot" doctors.

Chris Thornton, Gaylord Michigan, uses medical marihuana and is now opiate free.

Alan Witt, 248 South Illinois, the medical marihuana community would like to continue to work with the City of Gaylord as it did a couple years ago on the zoning ordinance changes. It will mean money for the City and would be nice to carry on with what has already been built.

Tammy LaBouef, 333 East Felshaw, When is the Budget Hearing set for?

Kenneth Gibson, Gaylord Michigan, What is the cap on liquor licenses and does the City know how many they have issued?

Motion by Wishart, supported by Sharrard to allow the use of Clover Drive and Random Lane on June 24th, 2017 for the World Orphan's 5K run; as part of the Big Ticket Festival.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson, supported by Wishart to allow Mary's Tavern to have the annual outdoor tent during Alpenfest (July 11th – July 15th, 2017).

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson, supported by Sharrard the following:

Special Assessment for Police and Fire Services Resolution to Hold Public Hearing

The Gaylord City Council, does hereby resolve that it is its intention in regard to the special assessment district heretofore created for the purpose of defraying some or all of the cost of the operation of the City Police and Fire Departments, that the special assessment for the fiscal year 2017.18 shall be in the amount of 1.75 mills of the taxable value of each parcel subject to the special assessment.

It is further resolved that the City Manager shall prepare a special assessment roll.

It is further resolved that the City Council shall hold a hearing at a regular City Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Monday June, 12, 2017, on the costs and expenses of police and fire protection and on the aforesaid proposed amount of the special assessment and on the special assessment roll and the Clerk is directed to give notice of said public hearing as required by MCL 41.801.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Sharrard, supported by Wishart to sign the Service Agreement for Economic Development Support for one year, effective 6/1/17, in the amount of \$10,000 with the Otsego County Economic Alliance.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson, supported by Sharrard to approve the liquor license application for the Snowbelt Brewing Company for Small Batch Wine Making.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

At 7:44pm, Mayor Jenkins informed the audience that Kim Awrey, an employee of the City of Gaylord, had requested a closed session with the City Council to discuss an employee related matter. All in attendance were asked to leave the room; reentry will be allowed once the closed session has been adjourned.

At 8:00pm the meeting was reconvened. No other business was presented.

Motion to adjourn.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Kimberly Awrey, City Clerk

John Jenkins, Mayor