

April 22, 2019

Mayor Jenkins opened the regular meeting of the Gaylord City Council with a prayer by Council Member Sharrard at 7:00pm on Monday April 22nd, 2019, 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: Wishart, Sharrard, Ouellette, Hartz, Jenkins, Johnson and Witt.

Members Absent: None.

Motion by Johnson, supported by Witt to add a Dog Walkathon at Aspen Park on September 7th, 2019 to the agenda as #9.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Sharrard, supported by Witt to add the Back to the Bricks road closure on June 10th, 2019 to the agenda as #10.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Hartz, supported by Witt to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the previous meeting and to accept them as presented.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Public Comments:

Mr. James Flint, 217 East Sheldon, The developer of Alpine Townhomes will have their debt paid off in 15 to 20 years but the Tax Exempt Ordinance runs for 35 years. This is troublesome for future boards. It cannot be changed, it is an unreasonable amount of time and it is not good public policy. Who absorbs the risk? Not the developer.

Mr. Glen Catt, Catt Realty, not the developer of the property. They are owners and current taxpayers of the property. There is a need for this type of housing in our community.

Motion by Wishart, supported by Johnson to approve the second reading of the Tax Exemption Ordinance No 15, Alpine Village Townhomes.

A Roll Call Vote was taken: Witt: Nay, Ouellette: Nay, Hartz: Aye, Sharrard: Nay, Wishart: Aye, Johnson: Aye, Jenkins: Aye. Motion carried with a 4 to 3 vote.

Motion by Johnson, supported by Sharrard to support a resolution to vacate a 16.5" x 197.92' portion of an alley located on a parcel of land described as: Lots 7, 8 & 9, Block 4, Original Plat of the Village now City of Gaylord as recorded in Liber 1 of Plats, Page 28, Otsego County Records.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Wishart, supported by Hartz to approve the appointment of Francis Claeys as the City of Gaylord's Chief of Police and accept his employment agreement.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Sharrard, supported by Ouellette to approve the employment contract for the City's Treasurer and Zoning Administrator, Travis Hewitt.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Wishart, supported by Sharrard to approve the employment contract for the City's Assessor, Holly Franckowiak.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson, supported by Witt to approve the Solicitation Permit for the K of C for October 10th and 11th, 2019.00

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Witt, supported by Hartz to approve the Solicitation Permit for the VFW for May 23rd thru May 25th, 2019.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Johnson, supported by Witt to set the budget work session for May 16th, 2018 at 5:30pm in the City Council Chambers, 305 East Main Street, Gaylord MI 49735.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Sharrard, supported by Witt to allow the Dog Walkathon on September 7th, 2019 at 9:45am contingent on providing the necessary insurance coverage to the City of Gaylord.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Motion by Witt, supported by Hartz to approve the road of Main Street from 3pm to 10pm on Monday, June 10, 2019 for the Back to the Bricks Car Show.

Ayes: Unanimous. Motion carried.

No other business was presented and the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Kim Awrey, City Clerk

John Jenkins, Mayor