

Regular Meeting of the Howell City Council
Monday, September 10, 2018
Howell City Council Chambers – Lower Level
611 E. Grand River
Howell, Michigan 48843
517-546-3502

1. CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the Howell City Council was called to order by Mayor Nick Proctor at 7:00 p.m.

Council Members Present: Jeannette Ambrose, Robert Ellis, Steven Manor, Michael Mulvahill, and Mayor Nick Proctor.

Council Member Absent: Jan Lobur.

Also Present: City Manager Shea Charles, City Attorney Dennis Perkins, and City Clerk Jane Cartwright.

Others in Attendance: Police Chief George Basar, DPS Director Erv Suida, Finance Director Catherine Stanislawski, Community Development Director Tim Schmitt, DPW Operations Manager Mike Luce, WWTP Operations Manager Mike Spitler, IT Director Mike Pitera, Project Technician Matt Davis, Alex Smith, Robert Spaulding, John and Caron Davis, A. Currie, J. Currie, Susie Hill, Eric Myers.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Proctor welcomed new Council Member Jeannette Ambrose.

3. APPROVED MINUTES

MOTION by Ellis, SUPPORT by Mulvahill, “To approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the City Council held August 27, 2018.” MOTION CARRIED (5-0).

MOTION by Manor, SUPPORT by Ellis, “To approve the minutes of the special meeting of the City Council held September 5, 2018.” MOTION CARRIED (5-0).

4. CITIZENS’ COMMENTS

- None.

5. REPORTS – COUNCIL MEMBERS SERVING ON COMMISSIONS

- None.

6. COUNCIL CORRESPONDENCE

A. Andrew Yost, Resignation from City Council. MOTION by Ellis, SUPPORT by Mulvahill, “To accept the resignation from Andrew Yost from the City Council.” MOTION CARRIED (5-0).

- B. Jeannette Ambrose, Resignation from Planning Commission & Board of Zoning Appeals. MOTION by Ellis, SUPPORT by Mulvahill, “To accept the resignation from Jeannette Ambrose from the Planning Commission & Board of Zoning Appeals and thank her for her service.” MOTION CARRIED (5-0).
- C. Ribbon Request, Howell High School Homecoming. MOTION by Manor, SUPPORT by Ellis, “To approve the request to hang ribbons on light posts downtown for the week of September 16-23, 2018 for Howell High School Homecoming.” MOTION CARRIED (5-0).
7. **DEFERRED – ORDINANCE NO. 918, PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE UPDATE**
City Manager Charles stated City Attorney Perkins would like to address some technical revisions therefore requested action be deferred on introducing Ordinance 918 until the September 24, 2018 meeting. Discussion followed. MOTION by Manor, SUPPORT by Ellis “To defer action on Ordinance No. 918, Property Maintenance Code Update, until the September 24, 2018 meeting. MOTION CARRIED (5-0).
8. **INTRODUCED – ORDINANCE NO. 919, ALTERNATIVE NICOTINE PRODUCT**
Member Ellis introduced Ordinance 919 amending Chapter 656 to include prohibition of the use of Alternative Nicotine Products by minors within the City of Howell. Council questioned the reference to the Department of Community Health posting signs pursuant to the Ordinance. City Attorney Perkins indicated the proposed language follows state law as written. Also referenced was a typo on page 3, line 107, correct “dot” to “not”. Staff will clarify the language.
9. **APPROVED - PAYMENT OF BILLS**
MOTION by Ellis, SUPPORT by Mulvahill, “To approve the payment of bills ending September 10, 2018 in the amount of \$270,064.44 and payroll to cover the period ending September 15, 2018.” MOTION CARRIED (5-0).
10. **BOARD/COMMISSION APPOINTMENT – PLANNING COMMISSION, CHELSEA DANTUMA, TERM ENDING APRIL 30, 2021**
MOTION by Mulvahill, SUPPORT by Ambrose, “To appoint Chelsea Dantuma to the Planning Commission to fill a vacant term ending April 30, 2021.” Mayor Proctor noted her experience with historic preservation. MOTION CARRIED (5-0).
11. **CITY MANAGER’S REPORT**
- The next Headlee Override public session is scheduled for Wednesday September 12, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at Cleary’s Pub Downtown. This session titled “Budget & Brews” will provide an informal setting for residents to talk to staff and City Council and get their questions answered. No public dollars are being spent

on this event. Cleary's is donating the space and food/drinks will be available for purchase.

- The demolition of the house at 816 McPherson Street is complete.
- Update on PFAS (Per-and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances). The State of Michigan has put together an action plan to begin testing water & wastewater systems. The City's water was testing by MDEQ with a split sample taken by WTP staff and the results came back as Non-Detect. For the wastewater side, WWTP staff developed an internal process and surveyed all industries. Diamond Chrome was using PFAS however discontinued the process in 2015. Since it builds up over time, staff detected PFAS levels at the source and the Waste Water plant. Diamond Chrome implemented a pretreatment system to mitigate the exposure and additional sampling was completed throughout the system. Staff will have the results in two weeks.

12. OLD BUSINESS

- None.

13. NEW BUSINESS

- MOTION by Mulvahill, SUPPORT by Ellis, "To excuse Council Member Jan Lobur from the September 10, 2018 meeting, reason stated." MOTION CARRIED (5-0).
- Mayor Proctor had a request from M Street Bakery for an extra trash receptacle at N. Michigan and Clinton. Staff will prepare a report on trash receptacles downtown.

14. ADJOURN

MOTION by Mulvahill, SUPPORT by Ambrose, "To adjourn the regular meeting of the City Council at 7:28 p.m." MOTION CARRIED (5-0).

Nick Proctor, Mayor

Jane Cartwright, City Clerk