

City of Stanton
Regular Meeting Minutes
July 9, 2019

1. **Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance** – The City of Stanton regular meeting was called to order at 7:00p.m. by Mayor Lori Williams with the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Roll Call:** Mayor Lori Williams, Jane Basom, Vladimir Edelman, Ray Holloway, Michael Mazzola, Charles Miel, Mary Thomas
Absent: None
3. **Approval of Agenda**
Motion made by Edelman second by Holloway to amend the agenda under 6. Standing Items letter a. to read Approval of Special Work Session and Regular Meeting Minutes of June 25, 2019. Motion carried on a voice vote. Motion made by Thomas second by Basom to approve the agenda with the addition. Motion carried on a voice vote.
4. **Public Comments:**
Bonnie Timiney, Stanton Mobile Home Park Manager, what can be done about the fireworks being shot off in town and in the park? Chief Patino stated that the governor passed a law quit a few years ago allowing fireworks a day or two before and after a holiday.
James Blum, 543 Quarterline, stated I believe if you look on the manufacturers' label on the fireworks it should give guidelines for usage.
5. **Standing Items**
 - a. Motion made by Miel second by Thomas to approve the Special Work Session and the Regular Meeting Minutes of June 25, 2019. Motion carried on a voice vote.
 - b. Motion made by Miel second by Holloway to approve the bills for June 2019 in the amount of \$32,186.94. Motion carried on a voice vote.
 - c. Motion made by Thomas second by Basom to accept the Revenue and Expenditure Report for the month of June 2019. Motion carried on a voice vote.
6. **Monthly Reports**
 - a. Stanton Police Department-during the 4th of July we only had 1 complaint/concern.
 - b. DPW Report-Stanton Improvement Project slated for July 17-19, will be the back alley behind Zerka's to Rolston's. It is great to have a third employee again.
 - c. Clerk/Treasurer
 - d. City Manager-Davis welcomed new DPW worker Andy Bills, and announced and sang to the clerk as it was the clerk's birthday. Reminder that there is a work session at DPW on July 23rd at 6:30 for a tour and questions for DPW. We had to make a quick purchase of a laptop for elections as ours was outdated due to Windows 7 becoming obsolete. Taxes have been coming in strong so far this season as we had already collected over \$28,000. I will be attending Montcalm Alliance meeting tomorrow. If you would like for me to investigate an ordinance about fireworks, please let me know.
7. **New Business**
 - a. Motion made by Miel second by Basom to vote for all three of the nominees for the 2019 Municipal League Workers' Compensation Fund Board of Trustees. Motion carried on a voice vote.

- b. Motion made by Thomas second by Holloway to re-appoint Don Smucker to the Planning Commission for a three-year term, ending July 1, 2022. Motion carried on a voice vote.
- c. Motion made by Miel second by Holloway to authorize the sale of 3 graves in Lot 90, Row 3, 4th Addition at a residential rate of \$200/grave due to an administrative error in December 1988. Motion carried on a voice vote.
- d. Motion made by Miel second by Thomas to decline all bids *for developing veterans park* at this time because they are out of the realm of our budget. Motion carried on a voice vote.
- e. Motion made by Mazzola second by Miel to support White Pine District Library's nomination for the Library of Michigan Foundation's State Librarian Excellence Award. Motion carried on a voice vote.

8. Committee Reports-None

- 9. Public Comments:** Jamie Blum, 543 Quarterline, has Leadership Montcalm been presented to the new employees?

10. Commission Comments

Commissioner Thomas would like to be the new Chairwoman for Veterans Park Committee. Motion made by Holloway second by Edelman to nominate Mary Thomas to be the new Chairwoman for the Veterans Park Committee. Motion carried on a voice vote. Mayor Williams appointed Mary Thomas as the new Chairwoman for Veterans Park Committee.

Commissioner Edelman was looking at Prein & Newhof options as presented and wondered if the 15% for Construction Engineering could be a set rate for all options instead of a percentage, which could be a way for us to save some money on the project.

Commissioner Mazzola asked to be excused for the July 23rd Commission meeting for a vacation.

Commissioner Thomas wanted to thank Jamie and the DPW staff for a great burial site for my husband today and a lot of patience.

Commissioner Holloway wanted to know why the Planning Commission minutes hadn't been updated in a while.

Mayor Williams was invited to the Stanton Old Fashion Days meeting by Commissioner Basom and has volunteered to MC for the Stanton Old Fashion Days, Fashion Show "Walk Through Time", and raffles tickets are being sold.

11. Adjournment

Motion made by Basom second by Holloway to adjourn meeting at 8:00p.m.
Motion carried on a voice vote.

Lori Williams, Mayor
Lori Braman, Clerk