

City of Stanton
Regular Meeting Minutes
October 13, 2020

1. **Call to Order: Pledge of Allegiance** – The City of Stanton regular meeting was called to order via zoom conference video at 7:00p.m. by Mayor Lori Williams with the Pledge of Allegiance.
2. **Roll Call:** Mayor Lori Williams, Jane Basom, Ray Holloway, Michael Mazzola, Chuck Miel, Mary Thomas
Absent: Vladimir Edelman was having computer issue he joined the meeting at 7:02p.m.
3. **Approval of Agenda**
Motion made by Thomas second by Mazzola to approve the agenda with an addition to new business letter d. Proposal for the Pivot Group. Motion carried on a voice vote.
4. **Public Comments:** None
5. **Standing Items**
 - a. Motion made by Holloway second by Basom to approve the Regular Meeting Minutes of September 22, 2020. Motion carried on a voice vote.
 - b. Motion made by Edelman second by Holloway to approve the bills for September 2020 in the total amount of \$89,244.94. Motion carried on a voice vote.
 - c. Motion made by Basom second by Thomas to accept the Revenue/Expenditure Report for the month of September. Motion carried on a voice vote.
6. **Monthly Reports**
 - a. Stanton Police Department-Chief Bryce and Officer Coughlin are doing a great job with blight and lawns are getting mowed around town.
 - b. DPW Report-DPW has been planting the trees from the Consumers Energy Grant.
 - c. Clerk/Treasurer Financial Report
 - d. City Manager
7. **New Business**
 - a. Motion made by Miel second by Basom to set the date and hours for Halloween trick or treating to October 31, 2020 5PM-7PM. Motion carried on a voice vote.
 - b. Motion made by Miel second by Holloway to approve the Montcalm County InterLocal Agreement for County Designated Assessor and authorize the Mayor to provide signature. Motion carried on a voice vote.
 - c. Motion made by Edelman second by Miel to accept the resignation of Vester Davis, Jr. as City Manager with an effective end date of September 23, 2020; and appoint Mayor Williams to oversee the day-to-day operations of the City of Stanton. Motion passed on a voice vote.

- d. Motion made by Miel second by Basom to accept the proposal form The Pivot Group for \$3,500 to search for the next City Manager. Motion carried on a voice vote.

8. Committee Reports:

DDA-Sidewalk sales downtown and the ribbon cutting ceremonies went great. Mayor Williams wanted to thank Stanton Rotary and Stanton Women's Club for putting together goodies bags for the new businesses. Veterans Memorial Park-Next meeting will be Tuesday at 7PM at City Hall but can still be attended through Zoom also.

9. Public Comments:

Commissioner Basom would like to have an update on Millard's tax exemption and would also like a yearly review given to the Commissioners. City Manager Davis told the Commissioners that the assessor, clerk and Millard's had completed all the paperwork and it had been submitted.

10. Commission Comments:

Commissioner Miel thanked Commissioner Basom and Mayor Williams for reaching out to and the discovery of The Pivot Group and to thank Vester Davis for all he did while he was here.

Mayor Williams thanked Vester on behalf of the City of Stanton, the staff and the City Commissioners for all the accomplishments he has done during his time working for the City of Stanton. Vester thanked everyone for everything and stated that it was bittersweet and he would miss the Stanton community and employees.

11. Adjournment

Motion made by Miel second by Edelman to adjourn meeting at 7:33p.m.
Motion carried on a voice vote.

Lori Williams, Mayor
Lori Braman, Clerk