

**CITY OF ST CLAIR, MICHIGAN
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2024- 7:00 P.M.**

Meeting Called to Order at 7:00pm by Mayor Cedar in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 547 N. Carney Drive, St. Clair, Michigan, 48079.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was recited.

PRESENT: Mayor Cedar, Members Gottler, Paul, Volz, Watt

ABSENT: Member Kuffa, LaPorte (both excused)

ADMINISTRATION: Quentin Bishop, City Superintendent; James T. Downey, Joachim, Clemons, Kane & Downey; Timothy Raker, Police Chief; Annette Sturdy; City Clerk

AUDIENCE: There were 9 people in attendance.

CONSENT AGENDA- Gottler moved, Volz seconded, CARRIED, to approve Consent Agenda items A. and B. as presented.

A. City Council Minutes of October 7, 2024 Regular & Closed meetings: Approved

B. Cemetery Board of Trustees Minutes of September 3, 2024 Meeting: Received

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

Ordinance Introduction (2024-06) Fireworks-

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ST. CLAIR, ST. CLAIR COUNTY, MICHIGAN TO AMEND CHAPTER 30 “FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION,” ARTICLE V “FIREWORKS” TO ADD SECTION 107 “REMITTANCE OF FINE TO CITY OF ST. CLAIR POLICE DEPARTMENT.” THE CITY OF ST. CLAIR ORDAINS: SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.

Chapter 30 is amended to add Section 30-107 “Remittance of Fine to City of St. Clair Police Department” to read as follows:

ARTICLE V.—FIREWORKS

Sec. 30-107. Remittance of Fine to City of St. Clair Police Department. Pursuant to MCL §28.457(3), Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) of the fine collected under this Article shall be remitted to the City of St. Clair Police Department.

SECTION 2. SEVERABILITY.

This Ordinance and each of the various parts, sections, subsections, sentences, phrases, and clauses hereof are declared to be severable. If any part, section, subsection, sentence, phrase, or clause is determined to be invalid or unenforceable by a court of competent jurisdiction, it is hereby provided that the remainder of the Ordinance shall not be affected thereby and shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. REPEAL OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

Any and all Ordinances of the City of St. Clair or any parts or provisions thereof, to the extent that they are contrary to or inconsistent with the provisions of the within Ordinance, are hereby expressly repealed.

SECTION 4. RATIFICATION.

All other provisions of the code of Ordinances of the City of St. Clair, Michigan except as herein modified or amended are hereby expressly ratified and affirmed.

SECTION 5. PUBLICATION.

This Ordinance shall be published in accordance with the terms, provisions, and requirements of the City Charter of the City of St. Clair, Michigan, and in accordance with and to the extent required

by the statutes of the State of Michigan.
SECITON 6. EFFECTIVE DATE.

This Ordinance shall take immediate effect upon publication in accordance with the provisions and requirements of the City Charter of the City of St. Clair.

Volz moved, Paul seconded, CARRIED, to introduce Ordinance (2024-06) Fireworks as presented.

Ayes: Gottler, Paul, Volz, Watt, Cedar

Nays: None

ORDINANCE INTRODUCED

REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

City Superintendent – Report heard on Waste Management expected rollout of new garbage carts, LDFA water tower bid process and update on the lawsuit and Clinton and Goffe street project updates. Paving of Goffe is scheduled with Astec for this construction year.

City Attorney- None

City Departments- Report heard from Clerk on 11/5/24 election & website update. Early voting 10/26 -11/3 8am-4pm. Polls open 11/5/24 7am-8pm. Report heard from Chief Raker on Election support.

Authority, Board, Commission, Committee Chairman or Council Representative- None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS -None

NEW BUSINESS –

Approve appointments to Housing Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals-

Gottler moved, Volz seconded, CARRIED, to appoint of Bill Klieman to Housing Commission and Jordan Kurtz to Zoning Board of Appeals as recommended.

Approve proposal for Zoning Ordinance rewrite-

Gottler moved, Volz seconded, CARRIED, to approve proposal not to exceed \$32,340.

Ayes: Paul, Volz, Watt, Gottler, Cedar

Nays: None

CLAIMS AND ACCOUNTS – October 10 and October 17, 2024

Check register listing the bills for the period ending October 10, 2024 (check numbers 60059-60106) in the amount of \$4,786,887.35 and for the period ending October 17, 2024 (check numbers 60107-60155) in the amount of \$252,779.07 were presented for Council review.

Volz moved, Paul seconded, CARRIED, to approve payments of October 10 & October 17, 2024 Claims and Accounts as presented.

PUBLIC QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS – Questions asked on Waste Management containers, Goffe street repairs and cost of project, Clinton Ave railroad crossings, intersections and for a new approach on Clinton Avenue.

MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS- Mayor Cedar extended sympathy for the family of Jean Bastian. St. Clair Chamber of Commerce Trick or Treat Trail was a huge success. Thank you to the public safety volunteer program!

ADJOURNMENT 7:31pm

Annette Sturdy

Bill Cedar, Jr