

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Monday, October 26, 2009**

**CALL TO ORDER:** By Mayor Shaughnessy Monday, October 26, 2009, at 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Councilmembers Arnold, Baker, Cuttle, Lewis, Mayor Pro-Tem Smith, Mayor Shaughnessy, City Attorney Tom Hitch and City Manager Guetschow

**ABSENT:** Councilmember Weissenborn

The invocation was offered by Pastor John Bailey, Charlotte Church of Christ, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR REGULAR MEETING OF OCTOBER 12, 2009:** Motion by Councilmember Lewis, second by Baker to approve the regular minutes of October 12, 2009, as presented. Carried. 6 Yeas. 0 Nays.

**EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS:** Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Smith, second by Arnold to excuse Councilmember Weissenborn from the October 26, 2009, Regular Council Meeting. Carried. 6 Yeas. 0 Nays.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**CHARLOTTE HIGH SCHOOL LIAISON:** No Report

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Smith, second by Cuttle to approve the agenda, as presented. Carried. 6 Yeas. 0 Nays.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Approve Change Order #1 for contract with Gallagher Asphalt
- B. Approve Change Order #1 for contract with Reith Riley
- C. Accept withdrawal of roof bid from Olivet Roofing.
- D. Appoint David Skidmore as City Representative to the Recreation Committee, soon to be Recreation Cooperative, as the City's representative to the Parks Board and Recreation Committee.
- E. Approve Second Reading and Adoption of an Ordinance Regarding Ethics
- F. Approve Second Reading and Adoption of the Sidewalk Snow Removal Ordinance
- G. Claims and Accounts – Total Claims - \$236,500.10

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:** Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Smith, second by Lewis to approve the consent agenda. Carried. 6 Yeas. 0 Nays.

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS:**

**A. Public Hearing Regarding Interlocal Agreement for Recreation**

Public hearing opened at 7:07 p.m. Councilmember Arnold explained that this is the document that was reviewed by Council several meetings ago, the changes requested by Council have been made, and a change was later requested by Carmel Township at their reading of it. They wanted a specific dollar amount included. Those changes are in Article IV, Section 2a for initial funding “in the amount equivalent to \$1.50 per resident or the funds accrued by the respective entity...” and 2b for annual funding “in the amount equivalent to \$1.65 per resident or 0.5 mill of the respective portion of tax revenue...”

**Troy Stowell, 306 W. Shaw St, Charlotte,** commended the council and other entities for creating the cooperative and embracing the initiatives it contains

Public hearing closed at 7:13 p.m.

**B. Action Regarding Interlocal Agreement for Recreation Motion by Councilmember Cuttle to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Recreation with Carmel and Eaton Townships. Carried. 6 Yeas. 0 Nays.**

**C. Presentation Regarding Michigan Municipal League Conference**

Mayor Pro Tem Smith, Councilmember Arnold, and City Manager Guetschow attended the Michigan Municipal League Conference September 22<sup>nd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> in Kalamazoo.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith reported on three of the breakout sessions he attended. Councilmember Arnold shared that key concepts throughout the conference were “Place-making” and “Regional Cooperation”. City Manager Guetschow indicated that the attendees did a very good job of attending different sessions. He believes this year's conference was well planned and very good overall.

**COMMUNICATIONS AND COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT:** Attorney Hitch reviewed the information in his written report for Council and stated that it has been a pleasure working with Mayor Shaughnessy, wishing her well in her future endeavors.

**CITY MANAGER REPORT:** City Manager Guetschow reviewed the information in his written report. He announced that the Citizens Symposium will meet Tuesday, October 27, 2009 at 7 p.m. in the Community Room at City Hall.

**COUNCILMEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Councilmember Baker announced that the Charlotte Rotary Club is planning to put a pavilion and restroom in Lincoln Park and will be holding a fundraiser Saturday, November 7, 2009, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary's Catholic Church, there will be an auction for goods and services, and entertainment provided by the Dancing Deputies.

Councilmember Lewis reflected upon the last four years and how Council has evolved. He appreciates how they worked together and built upon each others ideas.

Councilmember Arnold thanked the DDA, Chamber of Commerce, and Charlotte Police and Fire Departments for planning the Downtown Trick-or-Treat event. He also thanked the Mayor and members who may be leaving council after the election on Tuesday, November 3rd.

Councilmember Cuttle attended Step-by-Step and is impressed with discussion regarding a walkable route of historic sites in town. He also wished the mayor and council members who may be leaving the best of luck.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith expressed his pleasure working with the council, even though they haven't always agreed, they will walk away friends. He also spoke with Councilmember Weissenborn who asked him to announce that Galewood Elementary is collecting used cell phones that they will sell back and use the proceeds to purchase phone cards for deployed soldiers. There will also be a fundraiser at Big Boy on Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup> from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.; all tips collected will go to buy phone cards for deployed soldiers.

Mayor Pro Tem Smith presented the Mayor with a plaque and gavel, on behalf of council and the community, in appreciation of her service to the community.

Mayor Shaughnessy thanked her husband, the council and the community; she has thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to serve. She is grateful to have met so many people who have enriched her life, and feels that this council has fulfilled her goal of providing leadership stability to the community.

**There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:04 p.m.**

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Deb Shaughnessy, Mayor

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Michelle M. King, City Clerk