

**COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**Monday, September 26, 2011**

**CALL TO ORDER:** By Mayor Smith on Monday, September 26, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Councilmembers Conway, Cuttle, Kruger, Sanders, Weissenborn, Mayor Pro-Tem Baker, Mayor Smith, City Manager Guetschow and City Clerk King

**ABSENT:** None

The invocation was offered by Mayor Smith, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 12:** Motion by Councilmember Conway, second by Cuttle to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of September 12, 2011, as presented. Carried. 7 Yeas. 0 Nays.

**EXCUSE ABSENT MEMBERS:** None

**PUBLIC COMMENT/PRESENTATIONS:** None

**CHARLOTTE HIGH SCHOOL LIAISON:** Shelby Lamb introduced herself and made the following announcements:

- “Drive One for Your School” at Candy Ford was very successful. Seven school organizations participated; they are still waiting on the final calculations of the proceeds.
- Ten students attended a POW/MIA gathering at the VFW Hall, where a 93 year old World War II veteran talked about his wartime experiences.
- The Charlotte High School (CHS) is preparing for its upcoming musical, Beauty and the Beast

- On October 4<sup>th</sup> the CHS girls will hold two Powder Puff Football games, the Freshmen vs. Sophomores and Juniors vs. Seniors. Games begin at 7 p.m.
- October 7<sup>th</sup> is the CHS Homecoming game beginning at 7 p.m. Before the game the Future Farmers of America Club will host a cookout in the CHS Pavilion. The cost is \$5 and the proceeds will go to the Charlotte Relay for Life

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** Motion by Councilmember Sanders second by Baker to approve the agenda, with the removal of item 10c) Re-appoint Mary Jean Baker to the Eattran Board, term expiring 11/11/2013 and addition of item 11d) Consider Recommendation from the Mayor for appointment of James Kendall as a regular member to the Zoning Board of Appeals . Carried. 7 Yeas. 0 Nays.

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:**

- A. Re-appoint Connie Miller to the Board of Review, term expiring 12/31/2016
- B. Re-appoint Neil Klaiss to the Cable Access Board, term expiring 9/30/2014
- C. Re-appoint Laura Phelps to the Utility Board of Appeals, term expiring 11/30/2014
- D. Re-appoint Sarah Reed to the Zoning Board of Appeals, term expiring 9/9/2014
- E. Appoint Donald Sovey to the LDFA/EDAB/BRA, term expiring 3/14/2014
- F. Appoint Doug Rosier to the Planning Commission, term expiring 3/31/2013
- G. Appoint Joseph Gutierrez to the Zoning Board of Appeals as an Alternate, term expiring 9/9/2014
- H. Approve change order in the amount of \$7,465.20 and pay estimate in the amount of \$203,654 to Dunn Company for the recycling portion of the 2011 Paving Project

- I. Approve change order in the amount of \$3,477.22 and pay estimate in the amount of \$88,127.22 to Michigan Paving and Materials Co. for the ultra thin overlay portion of the 2011 Paving Project
- J. Approve Proclamation for the Annual Crop Hunger Walk

**WHEREAS**, Church World Service (CWS) is a cooperative ministry of 37 Christian communions working together to eradicate hunger and poverty and promote peace and justice among the world's most vulnerable people; and

**WHEREAS**, CWS assists communities in responding to local hunger and disasters, resettling refugees, promoting fair national and international policies, providing educational resources; and

**WHEREAS**, CWS offers the opportunity to join a people-to-people network of local and global caring through participation in three major awareness and giving programs, Blankets+ Program, CWS Kits Program and the Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty (CROP) Hunger Walk; and

**WHEREAS**, in the CROP Walk, community members join together to walk up to 6.2 miles to raise money and show solidarity with impoverished people worldwide struggling to become self-sufficient; and

**WHEREAS**, last year marked the 27<sup>th</sup> year of the CROP Hunger Walk in Charlotte which has raised \$295,642 to date; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2011 the CROP Hunger Walkers hope to surpass the \$300,000 mark; and

**WHEREAS**, 25% of the funds raised locally are given to organizations such as the SIREN/Eaton Shelter, Helping Hands, Community Dinners and St. Vincent de Paul; and

**WHEREAS**, the remaining 75% is used worldwide where ever need is the greatest, and

**WHEREAS**, Charlotte Area CROP Hunger Walk will take place on Sunday, October 9, 2011, starting at the Bennett Park Pavilion, and

**WHEREAS**, Charlotte Area CROP Walk begins at 2:00 p.m. All Charlotte residents are encouraged to attend and to bring a can of food to Bennett Park as a visible reminder to why they walk.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City of Charlotte applauds the CROP Hunger Walk for their support of this community and recognizes their unselfish contributions to those in need; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that I, Mayor Deleski R. Smith along with the Charlotte City Council recognize the outstanding efforts of the Charlotte Area CROP Hunger Walk.

- K. Approve Proclamation for Dr. Sherman Horn III

**WHEREAS**, Sherman W. Horn, II was born on June 25, 1947 in Akron, Ohio to Dr. Horn and Elizabeth Horn; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Horn graduated from Revere High School in 1965, Ohio University in 1969, and Albany Medical College in 1974; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Horn completed a Rotating Internship with Albany College in 1975 and finished his residency in Emergency Medicine with the Michigan State Affiliated Hospitals in 1977 as part of the first class to recognize Emergency Medicine as a medical specialty; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Horn married Patti Moran in 1978, and together they raised their son Sherman and daughter Jessica in Dimondale; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Horn is Board Certified with the American Board of Emergency Medicine and National Board of Medical Examiners since 1982, has been a member of the American Medical Association and the Michigan State Medical Society as well as President of the Eaton County Medical Society; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Horn served as a Deputy Medical Examiner for Eaton County, an Associate Clinical Professor of Medicine for the College of Human Medicine at Michigan State University in 1982, participated as an instructor for Advanced Cardiac Life Support through the American Red Cross and served as a Flight Physician with Inflight at Borgess Medical Center providing helicopter transport for trauma patients; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Horn served as Chief of Staff at Hayes Green Beach Hospital, as well as President of the Michigan College of Emergency Physicians in 1989 – 1990 and received the Ronald Krome Meritorious Service Award from the Michigan College of Emergency Physicians in 1992; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Horn was issued a patent for the invention of a modified endotracheal tube in 1988, was recognized by the American College of Physician Inventors in April 1993, and noted in the Who's Who of U.S. Executives in 1989; and

**WHEREAS**, Dr. Horn was the Director of Emergency Services for Hayes Green Beach Hospital from 1980 until 2008; and

**WHEREAS**, in July 2011, Dr. Horn retired from Hayes Green Beach Hospital after over thirty years of service to the Charlotte

Community and on October 16, 2011, friends and colleagues of Dr. Horn are honoring him with a Retirement Celebration; and

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that I, Deleski R. Smith, Mayor of the City of Charlotte, do hereby thank Dr. Sherman Horn II, MD, FACEP, for his life-saving efforts and dedication to the thousands of patients he has seen over his career; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Charlotte City Council joins me in recognizing Dr. Horn for his outstanding achievements and excellence and wishing him many happy years of retirement.

L. Claims and Accounts – \$567,914.58

**APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA: Motion by Councilmember Cuttle second by Sanders to approve the consent agenda. Carried. 7 Yeas. 0 Nays.**

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS:**

**A. Presentation by the Charlotte Disc Golf Association**

David Skidmore, President of the Charlotte Disc Golf Association (CDGA) made a presentation to City Council thanking them for continuing to support disc golf in Lincoln Park. He requested additional mowing to the “back nine” as they have received some poor reviews in disc golf blogs, and want to continue to attract people to our course. The CDGA will continue to do what they can to maintain the fields, but request the City have it mowed at least six times per year rather than three times. They are also requesting the leveling of some high spots, tree trimming, scrub tree removal and berming around low spots to address flooding issues. They also requested permission to locate bat houses to try to control the insect population.

**B. Consider Extension of Contract with Eaton County Prosecutor’s Office for Prosecutorial Services**

City Manager Guetschow explained that the initial agreement with Eaton County was for a period of ninety days which will expire October 1<sup>st</sup>. He indicated that they are still working out some minor kinks but as a whole the Police Department, City

Attorney’s Office and Prosecutor’s Office all believe it will work out. The City Manager is recommending renewal of the agreement for a period of one year.

**Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Baker, second by Sanders to approve extension of the contract with the Eaton County Prosecutor’s Office for prosecutorial services for a period of one year. Carried. 7 Yeas. 0 Nays.**

**C. Consider Policy Statement: Traffic Calming, Trails and Transportation**

City Manager Guetschow explained that the draft policy statement has been modified to incorporate suggestions made by Councilmember Weissenborn, to include input from affected residents on neighborhood projects.

**Motion by Councilmember Conway, second by Kruger to adopt the Policy Statement for Traffic Calming, Trails and Transportation. Carried. 7 Yeas. 0 Nays.**

**D. Consider Recommendation from the Mayor for appointment of James Kendall as a regular member to the Zoning Board of Appeals**

**Motion by Councilmember Cuttle, second by Conway to appoint James Kendall to the Zoning Board of Appeals as a full member for a term expiring 9/9/2014. Carried. 7 Yeas. 0 Nays.**

**COMMUNICATIONS AND COUNCILMEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

The City Manager reviewed his written report, which included the Citizens Guide and Performance Dashboard required by the Michigan Economic Vitality Incentive Program. Both have been submitted to the Michigan Department of Treasury and we have received confirmation of receipt. These should be considered first drafts and can be improved upon as Council sees fit. He met with the DDA and Chamber of Commerce regarding the events policy and

will have more discussion with both of those entities regarding the events policy implementation.

Councilmember Cuttle attended an ad hoc committee for the Charlotte Area Recreation Cooperative (CARC) which included the two active soccer organizations, Rotary Club and members of CARC. Eaton Township owns property behind Dunham Sports and Peebles that they are interested in developing into a softball field.

Councilmember Baker attended Step by Step on September 7<sup>th</sup>. They are forming a steering committee to create a master map of all non motorized paths and trails in the area.

Councilmember Conway, City Manager Guetschow and Chief Callahan attended a meeting at Pray Funeral Home on September 15<sup>th</sup> to begin discussions about addressing park issues. Chief Callahan shared information on starting a neighborhood watch and a follow up meeting will be held soon.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:**

Mayor Pro Tem Baker announced an evening meeting of CAN DO entitled “Brewing Up Business” which will be held Tuesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at the Senior Citizens Center. It begins at 6 p.m. with speaker Leslie Charles and at 7 p.m. the Dark Horse Brewing Company from Marshall and Waldorfs from Hastings will be hosting a beer tasting. The event is free of charge.

Councilmember Cuttle has finished work on his Masters Degree through Spring Arbor College.

Mayor Smith welcomed and thanked Shelby Lamb. He announced that he and the City Manager travelled to Grand Rapids to have lunch with the President of Burundi. Peckham will have a grand opening of their expansion on September 29<sup>th</sup> from 3 p.m. until 6

p.m. The public is welcome. The CROP Walk is October 9 beginning at 2:00 p.m. in Bennett Park.

**There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.**

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Deleski R. Smith, Mayor

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Michelle M. King, City Clerk