

— THE CITY OF —
CHARLOTTE
— MICHIGAN —

Meeting Minutes - unapproved
LOCAL OFFICERS COMPENSATION COMMISSION
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL (517) 543-2750
111 E. LAWRENCE AVE. CHARLOTTE, MI 48813
MONDAY - JANUARY 09, 2023 – 10:00 A.M.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** – By City Clerk LaRocque at 9:59 a.m.
2. **ATTENDANCE** – Present; Kenneth Wirt, Jeffrey Wildern, and Charles Green. Absent with excuse; Gary Colles and Becky Kendall. A quorum was met. Also in attendance, City Clerk Mary LaRocque
3. **APPOINT OFFICERS**
 - a. Chairperson – **Motion** by Wirt, second by Green to appoint Wildern as Chairperson. Carried by unanimous vote; Yea 3; Nay 0
 - b. Secretary – City Clerk LaRocque acting as Secretary
4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - a. January 23, 2019 – **Motion** by Wirt, second by Green to approve 2019 meeting minutes as presented. Carried by unanimous vote; Yea 3; Nay 0
5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA** – **Motion** by Green, second by Wirt to approve January 9, 2023 agenda. Carried by unanimous vote; Yea 3; Nay 0
6. **PUBLIC COMMENT** – No public comment
7. **COUNCIL COMPENSATION DISCUSSION**

Commission members reviewed; 1. the original charter language Section 4.3 – Compensation of Mayor and Councilmen; 2. the current LOCC ordinance; 3. a comparison of compensation policies with several other cities; 4. and reviewed questionnaire comments received from City Council members.

It was determined that no change to the amount paid per council meeting, and no change to the amount paid for out-of-town attendance at conferences and workshops should be made. – **Motion** by Wirt, second by Green to make no change to the amount of compensation per meeting and out-of-town attendance at conferences and workshops. Carried by unanimous vote; Yea 3; Nay 0

LOCC members discussed paying council an annual stipend based on 30 meetings per year and eliminating compensation for attendance on Boards and Commission assignments. It was agreed that limiting payment to 30 meetings is in accordance with the original intention of the Charter compensation policy. It is noted that no other committee members receive compensation for their attendance on Boards and Commissions of the City, that city staff are not compensated for extra meetings and is fiscally responsible to the budget. Therefore, the following 2023 LOCC Policy is recommended;

To pay Council members an annual compensation of \$1,500 paid bi-weekly. To pay the office of Mayor an annual compensation of \$1,650 plus \$2,000 for a total of \$3,650 paid bi-weekly. To pay for out-of-town conference/workshop meetings at the rate of \$50 per ½ day and \$100 per whole day plus meals and mileage at the current IRS rate and that the reimbursement for out-of-town compensation and reimbursement of expenses be paid upon request by the Council member, submitted with appropriate receipts/documents. – **Motion** by Wildern, second by Wirt to approve the 2023 recommended policy change. Carried by unanimous vote; Yea 3; Nay 0

8. **NEXT MEETING DATE** – no further business
9. **ADJOURN** – By Chairman Wildern at 10:54 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by:
Mary LaRocque, City Clerk