

MINUTES OF REGULAR ROMULUS CITY COUNCIL MEETING

May 9, 2016

Romulus City Hall Council Chambers, 1111 Wayne Rd. Romulus, MI 48174

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem, John Barden.

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Present: Kathleen Abdo, John Barden, Linda Choate, Harry Crout, Sylvia Makowski, Celeste Roscoe, William Wadsworth.

Administrative Officials in Attendance:

LeRoy D. Burcroff, Mayor
Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, City Clerk

1. Moved by Crout, seconded by **Makowski,** to accept the agenda as presented.

Motion Carried Unanimously.

16-233 2A. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Abdo,** to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on May 2, 2016. **Nays – None. Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-234 2B. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Roscoe,** to approve the minutes of the public hearings held on Monday, May 2, 2016, 6:00 p.m., Proposed Projects Transfer Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program and 6:30 p.m. Proposed Program Statement for the FY 2016/2017 City Budget. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

3A. Petitioner: None.

4. Chairperson's Report:

Members of Boy Scouts Troup 872 announced a spaghetti dinner fundraiser will be held on May 10, 2016 and the proceeds will go to purchase planter boxes for the senior center. (This is a part of the Scouts Eagle projects.)

16-235 4A1. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Crout,** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of former 34th District Court Judge, Henry Zaborowski. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

4. Moved by **Roscoe,** seconded by **Makowski,** to accept the Chairperson's Report. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

5. Mayor's Report:

Mayor Burcroff presented a video of upcoming events in the City of Romulus. The mayor announced there will be a re-dedication of the Charley Lau Field on Saturday, May 14th at 10:30 a.m. (the field has new scoreboards) Walter's Bar ribbon-cutting ceremony will be held on Friday, May 13, 2016 at 6:00 p.m.

16-236 5A1. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Roscoe,** to adopt a memorial resolution for the family of Gwendolyn Smith. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-237 5A. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Wadsworth,** to adopt the General and Special Appropriations Act and Tax Levy authorization for the City of Romulus and 34th District Court Fiscal Year 2016-2017 and submitted by Mayor Burcroff.

A resolution to provide for the adoption of a budget proposed by the Mayor containing estimates of proposed revenues and expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017 and millage rates to support this budget.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROMULUS:

SECTION 1. That for the expenditures of the City Government and its activities for the fiscal year, beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017, the amounts in the following sections are hereby appropriated.

SECTION 2. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the General Fund on an activity basis, the following:

COUNCIL	\$81,350
MAYOR	626,840
CLERK	633,260
TREASURER	444,130
COMMUNITY SERVICES/OUTREACH	736,780
FINANCIAL SERVICES	2,230,660
COMMUNITY & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	387,080
PUBLIC SAFETY	12,850,270
PUBLIC SERVICES	2,659,030
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$20,649,400
REVENUES	
PROPERTY TAXES	\$7,296,080
LICENSES & PERMITS	1,207,280
FEDERAL SOURCES	264,210
INTERGOVERNMENTAL REVENUES	2,483,050
CHARGES FOR SERVICES	1,294,510
FINES & FORFEITS	3,000,000
MISCELLANEOUS	3,177,620
TOTAL REVENUES	\$18,722,750
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	1,926,650
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$20,649,400
SECTION 3. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Major Roads Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
MAJOR ROADS FUND EXPENDITURES	\$1,863,540
TRANSFER TO LOCAL STREETS	245,000
TRANSFER TO DEBT FUND	204,810
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & CONTINGENCIES	2,313,350
TOTAL REVENUES	\$1,501,460
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	811,890
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	2,313,350
SECTION 4. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Local Streets Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
LOCAL STREETS FUND	\$968,220
TOTAL REVENUES	\$771,550
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	196,670
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$968,220
SECTION 5. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Romulus Athletic Center Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
ROMULUS ATHLETIC CENTER	\$2,192,170
TOTAL REVENUES	\$2,196,550
SECTION 6. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Cemetery Restoration Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
CEMETERY RESTORATION FUND	\$3,800
TOTAL REVENUES	\$200
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	3,600
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$3,800
SECTION 7. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Cable Television Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
CABLE TELEVISION	\$359,970
TOTAL REVENUES	\$382,070
SECTION 8. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Merriman Road Special Assessment District Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
MERRIMAN RD SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	\$95,300
TOTAL REVENUES	\$96,280
SECTION 9. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Street Lighting Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
STREET LIGHTING	\$540,870
TOTAL REVENUES	\$525,870
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	15,000
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$540,870
SECTION 10. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Oakwood Special Assessment District Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
OAKWOOD SPECIAL ASSESSMENT DISTRICT	\$25,000
TOTAL REVENUES	\$19,310
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	5,690
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$25,000
SECTION 11. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Community Employee Activity Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
COMMUNITY EMPLOYEE ACTIVITY	\$10,720
TOTAL REVENUES	\$550
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	10,170
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$10,720
SECTION 12. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Sanitation Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
SANITATION	\$1,094,520
TOTAL REVENUES	\$1,136,600
SECTION 13. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Community Development Block Grant Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS	\$230,080
TOTAL REVENUES	\$230,080
SECTION 14. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the 9-1-1 Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
9 1 1 FUND	\$169,550
TOTAL REVENUES	\$128,200
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	41,350
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$169,550
SECTION 15. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Federal Law Enforcement Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
FEDERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT	\$102,320
TOTAL REVENUES	\$10,100
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	92,220
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$102,320
SECTION 16. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the State Law Enforcement Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
STATE FORFEITURE	\$131,510

TOTAL REVENUES	\$50,600
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	80,910
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$131,510
SECTION 17. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Municipal Library Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
MUNICIPAL LIBRARY	\$586,550
TOTAL REVENUES	\$523,240
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	63,310
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$586,550
SECTION 18. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Special Assessment - Beverly Road Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT - BEVERLY ROAD	\$112,130
TOTAL REVENUES	\$100,170
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	11,960
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$112,130
SECTION 19. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the 2014 Capital Improvement Debt Service Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT DEBT SERVICE	\$278,340
TOTAL REVENUES	\$277,340
SECTION 20. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Sewer Debt Service Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
SEWER DEBT SERVICE	\$575,000
TOTAL REVENUES	\$22,000
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	553,000
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$575,000
SECTION 21. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Water Debt Service Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
WATER DEBT SERVICE	\$131,520
TOTAL REVENUES	\$19,000
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	112,020
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$131,520
SECTION 22. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Downtown Development Authority Construction Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
DDA CONSTRUCTION	\$12,000
TOTAL REVENUES	\$0
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	12,000
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$12,000
SECTION 23. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Tax Increment Finance Authority Vining Road Construction Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
TIFA-VINING CONSTRUCTION	\$115,910
TOTAL REVENUES	\$0
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	115,910
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$115,910
SECTION 24. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Sewer and Water Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
SEWER AND WATER	\$22,763,000
TOTAL REVENUES	\$20,131,140
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	2,631,860
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$22,763,000
SECTION 25. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Vehicle and Equipment Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
VEHICLE AND EQUIPMENT	\$1,756,260
TOTAL REVENUES	\$1,794,440
SECTION 26. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Technology Services Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
TECHNOLOGY SERVICES	\$758,900
TOTAL REVENUES	\$769,570
SECTION 27. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Retirement Insurance Benefit Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
RETIREE INSURANCE BENEFITS	\$2,581,270
TOTAL REVENUES	\$2,510,000
APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	71,270
TOTAL REVENUES & APPROPRIATED SURPLUS	\$2,581,270
SECTION 28. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Property and Liability Self-Insurance Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
PROPERTY AND LIABILITY SELF INSURANCE	\$586,490
TOTAL REVENUES	\$587,080
SECTION 29. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Downtown Development Authority Special Revenue Fund on an activity basis, the following:	
DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY	\$389,980
TOTAL REVENUES	\$393,900
SECTION 30. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the Tax Increment Finance Authority Funds on an activity basis, the following:	
TIFA DISTRICT II	\$3,150,680
TOTAL REVENUES	\$3,501,340
SECTION 31. That for the said fiscal year there is hereby appropriated the following Capital Budget expenditures:	
CAPITAL BUDGET	\$4,702,700
SECTION 32. That amounts budgeted for specific items or purposes and not required to be utilized for such items or purposes may be spent by the Mayor for other items or purposes within the same activity for which such allocations are made.	
SECTION 33. Be it further resolved that the following millage rates as provided by charter or statute be assessed:	
OPERATING MILLAGE	9.4063
P.A. 359 MILLAGE	0.0608
LIBRARY MILLAGE	0.5000
SANITATION MILLAGE	1.5500
EPA LEVY MILLAGE	2.3868
SECTION 34. Be it further resolved that the Property Tax Administration Fee and any type of late penalty charge as provided for by charter or statute be assessed.	

CITY OF ROMULUS

GENERAL APPROPRIATIONS ACT

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ROMULUS:

That for the expenditures of the 34th District Court and its activities for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2016 and ending June 30, 2017, the following amount is hereby appropriated.

OPERATING EXPENDITURES \$3,880,172

Roll Call Vote: Ayes – Barden, Choate, Makowski, Roscoe Wadsworth. **Nays – Abdo, Crout. Motion Carried.**

16-238 5B. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Roscoe,** to concur with the administration and authorize the mayor and clerk to enter into an agreement with the State of Michigan to resurface Wickham Road from Merriman Road to Wick Road at a cost not to exceed \$87,800 (20% of project match.) **Motion Carried Unanimously**

6A. Clerk's Report:

16-239 6A1. Moved by **Makowski,** seconded by **Choate,** to approve second reading, final adoption of an ordinance to amend Section 52-24, Ordering Construction and Sec. 52-29, Alternatives to Construction of Sidewalks; Payment-in-Lieu of Construction and to Remove Sec. 52-28 Sidewalk Appeals of the City of Romulus Code of Ordinances – introduced at the Council meeting of May 2, 2016. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-240 6A2. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Crout,** to approve second reading, final adoption of a zoning ordinance to amend Section 11.15, Animal/Agricultural; Sections 3.02, 6.02, 7.02, and 8.02, Schedule of Uses; and Sections 24.02, 24.07, 24.12, 24.19, and 24.22, Definitions of the City of Romulus Zoning Ordinance to amend regulations regarding Animal and Agricultural Uses – introduced at the Council meeting of May 2, 2016. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-241 6A3. Moved by **Crout,** seconded by **Choate,** to approve second reading and final adoption of an ordinance to amend Sections 13.04, Sidewalks and Non-Motorized Pathways and 20.09, Nonconforming sites of the City of Romulus Zoning Ordinance to amend regulations regarding Sidewalks and Nonconforming Sites – introduced at the Council meeting of May 2, 2016. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

16-242 6A4. Moved by **Choate,** seconded by **Makowski,** to approve second reading and final adoption of an ordinance to amend Section 17.02, Uses Requiring Site Plan Review of the City of Romulus Zoning Ordinance to amend regulations regarding Site Plan Review – introduced at the Council meeting of May 2, 2016. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

6B. Treasurer's Report:

None.

7. Public Comment:

A resident commented on the salary raises that were included in the 2016-2017 City Budget. A resident commented that some elected officials donated their raise in salary back to the City.

8. Unfinished Business:

Councilman Wadsworth reminded the public of the Animal Shelter Bowl-A-Thon Fundraiser to be held on Friday, May 13, 2016 at 6:30 p.m. Councilman Wadsworth and Mayor Burcroff talked about the Pennsylvania Road Project with hopes that the City of Romulus and Huron Township will be able to secure federal funds to move forward with said project. (The project would include building a bridge at the Pennsylvania Road railroad tracks between I 275 and Huron River Drive).

9. New Business

10. Communication:

Councilwoman Makowski announced several upcoming events to be held at the Romulus Public Library. For information, call the library at 942-7589.

16-243 11. Moved by **Choate,** seconded by **Crout** to pay Warrant 16-09 in the amount of \$1,470,414.11 **Motion Carried Unanimously**

12. Moved by **Wadsworth,** seconded by **Makowski,** to adjourn the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council. **Motion Carried Unanimously.**

I, Ellen L. Craig-Bragg, Clerk for the City of Romulus, Michigan do hereby certify the foregoing to be a true copy of the minutes of the regular meeting of the Romulus City Council held on May 9, 2016.