

**CITY OF MASON
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES OF JUNE 16, 2008**

Clark called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at 201 W. Ash Street, Mason, Michigan. Whipple led the Pledge of Allegiance and offered the invocation.

Present: Councilmembers: Bruno, Clark, *Mulvany, Naeyaert, Preadmore, Waltz, Whipple
Also present: Martin Colburn, City Administrator
Kathy Revels, Finance Director
Dennis McGinty, City Attorney
Deborah Cwierniewicz, Deputy City Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES - REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING: June 2, 2008

The Minutes of June 2, 2008, were approved as submitted.

APPROVAL OF BILLS

MOTION by Naeyaert, second by Whipple,
to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$1,175,802.53 as submitted.
MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

PEOPLE FROM THE FLOOR

None.

REGULAR BUSINESS

Resolution No. 2008-23 – Designate Authorizing Signatories

Resolution No. 2008- 23 was introduced by Bruno and seconded by Preadmore.

**CITY OF MASON
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2008-23
DESIGNATE AUTHORIZING SIGNATORIES
June 16, 2008**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that Mason State Bank and Dart National Bank, as designated depositories of the City of Mason, be, and it is hereby requested, authorized, and directed to honor checks, drafts, or other orders for the payment of money drawn in the City's name, including those payable to the individual order of any persons whose names appear thereon as signers thereof, when bearing or purporting to bear the facsimile signatures of the two following names: Martin A. Colburn, City Administrator; Kathy L. Revels, Finance Director/Treasurer, and the above banks shall be entitled to honor and charge the City of Mason for such checks, drafts, or other orders, regardless of by whom or by what means the actual or purported facsimile signatures thereon may have been affixed thereto, if such signature resembles the facsimile specimens duly certified to or filed with the above banks by the Clerk of the City of Mason.

RESOLUTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution No. 2008-24 – Amend the 2007- 2008 Fiscal Year Budget

Resolution No. 2008- 24 was introduced by Bruno and seconded by Preadmore.

**CITY OF MASON
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2008-24
AMEND THE 2007-2008 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET
June 16, 2008**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mason that the 2007-2008 fiscal year Budget is hereby amended as per the attached "Exhibit A."

RESOLUTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution No. 2008-25 – Return Delinquent Water and Sewer Bills to the July 2008 Tax Roll

McGinty recommended removing water bills from the delinquent list due to claims that have been filed with the bankruptcy court. Discussion ensued regarding an individual rental property owner appearing on the delinquent list for multiple addresses as well as possible solutions for receiving payment when renters move out without notice. Resolution No. 2008-25 was introduced by Bruno and seconded by Preadmore.

**CITY OF MASON
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2008-25
RETURN DELINQUENT WATER AND SEWER BILLS
TO THE JULY 2008 TAX ROLL
June 16, 2008**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mason that the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to return the attached "Exhibit A" entitled Delinquent Water and Sewer Bills, to the July 2008 Tax Roll, pursuant to Mason City Code Section 82-246 (a).

RESOLUTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution No. 2008-26 – Levy 1% Tax Administration Fee

Resolution No. 2008- 26 was introduced by Bruno and seconded by Preadmore.

**CITY OF MASON
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2008-26
LEVY 1% TAX ADMINISTRATION FEE
June 16, 2008**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mason that the City Treasurer is to levy a 1% tax administration fee on all Ingham County, Mason Public School, Ingham Intermediate School, State education, Capital Area District Library and Lansing Community College taxes levied on the July and December 2008 tax rolls of the City of Mason;

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to collect 4% penalty on any taxes that remain unpaid from the July tax roll after August 31, 2008 and 3% penalty from the December tax roll after February 14, 2009.

RESOLUTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Resolution No. 2008-27 – Return Miscellaneous Bills to the July 2008 Tax Roll

Resolution No. 2008- 27 was introduced by Bruno and seconded by Preadmore.

**CITY OF MASON
CITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 2008-27
RETURN MISCELLANEOUS BILLS TO THE JULY 2008 TAX ROLL
June 16, 2008**

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Mason that the City Treasurer is hereby authorized to return the attached "Exhibit A" entitled Miscellaneous Bills, to the July 2008 Tax Roll.

RESOLUTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion – Street Closure for Neighborhood Block Party on Mark Street

The neighborhood of Mark Street requested the closure of Mark Street between Maple and Columbia Streets, July 4, 2008, from 7 a.m. – 10 p.m. to hold a neighborhood block party.

MOTION by Preadmore, second by Waltz,
to approve the request to close Mark Street between Maple and Columbia
Streets, July 4, 2008, from 7 a.m. – 10 p.m. to hold a neighborhood block
party.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

*Mulvany arrived at 8:03 p.m.

**Report – Proceed with the Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) Process to Build a
New City Hall and Police Department**

Colburn stated that he will pursue the Qualifications Based Selection (QBS) process to identify the professional services necessary for the construction of a new City Hall and Police Station.

Bruno stated concern that if the Capital Area District Library (CADL) millage question on the Primary Election ballot passes, the city will be obligated to provide property for a library in addition to building the City Hall and Police Department. Waltz stated that delaying the City Hall and Police Department project two months would allow consideration of both projects if necessary. Discussion ensued.

MOTION by Bruno, seconded by Waltz,
to defer the discussion to proceed with the construction of a new City Hall
and Police Department until the result of the August 8, 2008, Primary Election
CADL millage question is known.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Yes: Bruno, Waltz

No: Mulvany, Naeyaert, Preadmore, Whipple, Clark

MOTION FAILED

**Executive Session – Attorney Client Privilege Communication Regarding Property Lease
Agreement**

MOTION by Whipple, second by Preadmore,
to adjourn to executive session to consider an attorney/client privilege
communication regarding a property lease agreement.

ROLLCALL VOTE:

Yes: (7) Bruno, Clark, Mulvany, Naeyaert, Preadmore, Waltz, Whipple

No: (0)

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

The meeting adjourned to executive session at 8:19 p.m. and reconvened at 8:33 p.m.

MOTION by Whipple, second by Preadmore,
to amend the agenda by inserting Item No. 7(I), Motion – Oil and Gas Lease
with Savoy Energy, L.P.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

Motion – Oil and Gas Lease with Savoy Energy, L.P.

Mr. Doug Miller, representative for Savoy Energy, has informed staff that the company would like to acquire a lease for mineral and gas rights in Porter Township of Midland County Michigan. The city owned properties were donated by Iva Bond in the early 1960's. This lease originally requested 480 acres and further clarification has led to discussion regarding 320 acres of which the city has rights of a net 240 acres.

MOTION by Whipple, second by Naeyaert,
to approve the Mayor and City Clerk entering into an Oil and Gas Lease with
Savoy Energy, L.P.

MOTION APPROVED UNANIMOUSLY

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Mulvany commended Kathy Revels, Finance Director/Treasurer, for the tour she arranged with Haworth.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

Distributed.

LIAISON REPORTS

Mulvany informed Council regarding current Historic District Commission business. Naeyaert informed Council regarding current Planning Commission business.

ADMINISTRATOR'S REPORT

Colburn informed the Council regarding current city business. Discussion ensued regarding current street construction and city construction for the new water treatment plant.

PEOPLE FROM THE FLOOR

Elaine Ferris, Farmer's Market Manager, stated that the June 14th "Preview Market Day" was a success. The market will open for the season on July 12.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.

Martin A. Colburn, City Clerk

Leon Clark, Mayor