

**BRIDGMAN CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 15, 2016
6:30 PM**

The regular meeting of the Bridgman City Council was held at Bridgman City Hall, 9765 Maple Street, Bridgman, Michigan and called to order by Mayor Anderson at 6:30 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Liskey, Barnes, Boyd, Anderson, Catania, Ramso, High,

COUNCIL ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Attorney Senica, Manager Ganum, Street/Fire Chief Knuth, Clerk Holm, Police Chief Unruh.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by council.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

Ken Kruger on Papalardo St. was pleased to see areas of the boardwalk have been fixed since he expressed concern with broken areas at a recent council meeting.

PRESENTATIONS:

Bob Harrison, president of Lake Michigan College (LMC), gave a presentation about the history of LMC and the upcoming millage proposal on the November 8, 2016 ballot. The millage would help with safety and security improvements, modernize classrooms, assist with wine and culinary classes, critical facility upgrades, and student success centers. The request is for 0.48 mills for 10 years, which would be \$2/month or \$24/year. The last increase for the college was in 1996. Jennifer and Andrew Bauer were also present to share their experience with LMC.

Mayor Anderson presented Street/Fire Chief Knuth with a certificate recognizing him for 40 years of service to the city.

APPROVE/AMEND AGENDA:

Motion by Council Member Catania, seconded by Council Member Barnes to approve the agenda as presented, motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS:

Motion by Council Member Boyd, seconded by Council Member Ramso to approve the July 18, 2016 City Council meeting minutes, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Ramso, seconded by Council Member High to approve the bills in the amount of \$168,129.05, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member High, seconded by Council Member Catania to appoint Chris Brooks, Lowell Smith, and Jim Gast to the Construction Board of Appeals for a two-year term, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Catania, seconded by Council Member Ramso to approve the three-year contract between the City of Bridgman and Nancy Williams for Assessing Services, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Catania, seconded by Council Member High to approve the three-year contract between the City of Bridgman and Construction Associates, Inc. for building official/plan review/zoning administration services, motion carried unanimously.

Motion by Council Member Catania, seconded by Council Member Barnes to approve the purchase of an EFORCE Battery Powered Combo Rescue Tool from Rescue Resources LLC in the amount of \$9,394 for use by the Fire Department, motion carried unanimously.

FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER

City Manager Ganum presented useful takeaways from the MLGMA Conference he recently attended in Midland, MI. He would like to create a 1-2 page document with graphs and easy to read budget summaries to be included in next year's budget, similar to what Midland is currently doing. City Manager Ganum shared how there are a few miles of highway going into Midland that is lined with flowers called the Midland Blooms, and how that could be something incorporated here in Bridgman. He also explained how Midland has some public arts displayed around the city, the desire to live downtown and how some of those things might be possible to do here in Bridgman.

The Council discussed the LMC presentation and shared their thoughts on the local college.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Council Member Catania, seconded by Council Member Barnes to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 p.m., motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

Hannah Anderson, Mayor

Allyson Holm, City Clerk