

**BRIDGMAN CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 16, 2018
6:30 PM**

The regular meeting of the Bridgman City Council was held on April 16, 2018 at Bridgman City Hall, 9765 Maple Street, Bridgman, Michigan and called to order by Mayor Anderson at 6:31 p.m.

COUNCIL PRESENT: Robert Liskey, Georgia Gipson, Vince Rose, Hannah Anderson, Jim Catania, Rick Fuller

COUNCIL ABSENT: Ken High

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Ganum, City Clerk Holm, Water/Sewer Superintendent Kading, Police Chief Unruh

Mayor Anderson stated Council Member High was called out of town last minute and could not attend the meeting tonight.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by council.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

- Gretchen Evans, Director of the Bridgman Public Library talked about a couple new things coming up. They are offering portable internet called hot spots that can be checked out. They are working with twelve (12) other libraries to put on the second annual Comicon at the Mendal Center on June 9th. This event has virtual reality, costume contests, video game contests, and open bar for adults. The Library is also partnering with Lake Charter Township to teach how to play disc golf every Thursday in June at 6:30 p.m.
- Maree Nordgren, representing the aerobics class stated they agree to continue to use the beach house free of charge based upon the Memo of Understanding they drafted that was given to Ganum.
- Wendy Lozeau, 3747 Lake St. stated it is that time of year again to plant the city planters. This would be a city citizen program with the cooperation and help from the aerobics class. She is asking the city to purchase the plants again.

APPROVE/AMEND THE AGENDA:

Mayor Anderson would like to add to the agenda under **Action Item F:** *Purchase of plants for the city planters.*

Motion by Council Member Catania, seconded by Council Member Gipson to approve the agenda for April 16, 2018 as presented with the addition of **Action Item F:** *Purchase of plants for the city planters,* **motion carried unanimously.**

ACTION ITEMS:

Motion by Council Member Fuller, seconded by Council Member Rose to approve the April 2, 2018 regular meeting minutes, **motion carried unanimously.**

Motion by Council Member Gipson, seconded by Council Member Fuller to approve the bills in the amount of \$20,814.22, **motion carried unanimously.**

Motion by Council Member Catania, seconded by Council Member Rose to approve the proposed increase in weekly and monthly camping rates as presented,

Current Rates/ **Proposed New Rates**

Weekly Semi-Developed: \$150/ **\$165.00**
Weekly Developed: \$180/ **\$195**
Monthly Semi-Developed: \$525/ **\$625**
Monthly Developed: \$630/ **\$750**

Motion carried unanimously.

Kading stated the nightly camping fee was increased back in 2013/2014 but the weekly and monthly camping rates were not changed.

Motion by Council Member Rose, seconded by Council Member Liskey to appoint Beth McNeil to the Board of Review as an alternate board member to fill an unexpired term ending December 31, 2018, **motion carried unanimously.**

Motion by Council Member Gipson, seconded by Council Member Catania to adopt **Resolution 2018-07, A Local Governing Body Resolution for Charitable Gaming Licenses, motion carried unanimously.**

Motion by Council Member Fuller, seconded by Council Member Gipson to approve a not to exceed amount of \$1,000 for the purchase of plants for the city planters, **motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor Anderson also noted for the purchase of the plants, Arcadia Gardens gave Kading some design ideas that would compliment the other planters downtown. Kading has a quote from Barbott's Farm for all the plants that will need to be purchased.

WORKSHOP DISCUSSION ITEMS:

No items to discuss.

HEARING OF CITIZENS:

No one wished to be heard.

COUNCIL COMMENTS:

- Mayor Anderson has a copy of the Memo of Understanding from the aerobics class for the council to look over. She suggested that the council review it at home and Ganum and staff will also review it. Ganum will bring a recommendation back to council at the next meeting. The City and the CGA will be hosting the Blossom Queens Breakfast on Monday, April 30th at 7:30 a.m. at the Beach House. All council is welcome to come and should RSVP to Kading if they plan on attending.

- Member Fuller updated the council on a few meetings that have been held which include a few business owners, Ganum, and the CGA to organize a street festival once a month. He is calling it Bridgman Family Final Friday Fest that would be held the last Friday of the month between May – August from 5 – 9 p.m. A block of Lake Street will be closed off like Holiday Village this last winter. Merchants will be invited to come down and participate in this community event. Things to think about would be buying a few items like tent structures which would have a minimal cost impact. The CIA has committed \$1,000 so far. Maybe the CGA and other organizations such as the City and Township will donate money as well.
- Member Liskey would like to encourage Shane Peters to attend the 5th Monday meeting this month. He was surprised to see that the Bridgman school enrollment is going down and would like to know why. As the council approaches the budget preparation, he would like to review the 2017 budget information for the CGA. He would like to see the revenue stream such as donations, event revenue, advertising costs, membership dues. He would also like to see the total expenses such as entertainment, printing and publishing, salaries, advertising, and the annual meeting cost. He would like to know what the CGA financial position is due to the fact the city is contributing \$10,000 annually. He would like to see Calli Berg, CGA Director give a presentation at the 5th Monday meeting this month on the financials of the CGA.
- Ganum informed the council that the CGA board information is available to view on the Google drive along with other board information. Included in the CGA folder are the packets that go out to the board along with the budget and bank statements. He encouraged the council to delve into some of the Boards and Organizations folders on the Google drive every once in a while.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Hannah Anderson, Mayor

Allyson Holm, City Clerk