

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY COMMISSION
CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

Regular Meeting Held September 16, 2013

Mayor Seibold called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. in the City Commission Chamber at the Community Center and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Present: Commissioners Dills, Goebel, Graham, Miller, Skaggs and Mayor Seibold

Absent: Commissioner Johnson

Also Present: City Attorney Huff; Public Works Director Feldt; Finance Director Mushong; Public Safety Director Herald; City Clerk Brower

2013-100. No public comment was received.

2013-101. Commissioner Dills congratulated all the athletes that participated in the Reeds Lake Triathlon on Saturday, September 7th and commended the staff and volunteers who spent so much time and effort to make the event a success. Commissioner Skaggs agreed the event went very well and thanked all those involved.

Commissioners Miller and Goebel noted the shooting at the Navy facility in Washington DC and offered condolences for the families of those killed.

Commissioner Graham noted he had volunteered for the Reeds Lake Triathlon and enjoyed watching athletes and spectators.

2013-102. Mayor Seibold presented a plaque dedicating the Public Works Complex to former Mayor Cindy Bartman. She stated the Public Works Complex was a very fitting tribute because of Mayor Bartman's commitment to the employees and to the infrastructure needs of the citizens.

Commissioner Graham thanked Ms. Bartman for her dedication and noted the plaque was a very fitting honor because she was a constant champion for the renovation project.

2013-103. Consider request to approve the purchase of patrol rifles and accessories for the Public Safety Department.

Public Safety Director Herald stated the two new rifles would be used as spares in case other rifles were out of service due to maintenance or training. The new rifles will have noise suppressors to protect the hearing of officers firing the weapon. He noted additional suppressors may be requested for the other patrol rifles in the future. Chief Herald offered to speak with anyone who has questions or concerns about this purchase.

A. Miller-Skaggs. To approve the purchase of two patrol rifles and related accessories from Michigan Police Equipment in the amount of \$5,073.90.

Yeas: Dills, Goebel, Graham, Miller, Skaggs and Seibold – 6

Nays: -0-

2013-104. Graham-Miller. Motion to approve the consent agenda as follows:

A. Minutes of the regular meeting held September 3, 2013.

B. Payroll disbursements of \$204,662.42; county and school disbursements of \$79,022.51, and total remaining disbursements of \$208,907.63.

- C. The refurbishment of the City's entry signs from Alberda Signs Inc. in the amount of \$4,475.00.
- D. The services of Genzink Appraisal Company in the amount of \$4,950.00 for an appraisal of 638, 644 and 652 Lovett for an upcoming Michigan Tax Tribunal hearing.
- E. A requisition for road salt through the Kent County Road Commission in the amount of \$52.07 per ton from Detroit Salt Company for pre-winter supply and from North American Salt Company for \$64.77 per ton for the remaining supply.
- F. A contract with Owen Ames and Kimball in the amount of \$224,194.00 for improvements to the Remington Park baseball complex to be paid for with Joint Facilities Funding and private donations.

Yeas: Dills, Goebel, Graham, Miller, Skaggs and Seibold – 6

Nays: -0-

The meeting adjourned at 6:13 p.m., subject to the call of the Mayor until September 16, 2013.

Karen K. Brower, City Clerk