REGULAR MEETING
ROSEVILLE CITY COUNCIL

CIVIC CENTER COUNCIL CHAMBERS
29777 GRATIOT AVENUE
ROSEVILLE, MI 48066
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TUESDAY, MAY 8, 2007

7 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mayor	Harold Haugh
Councilpersons	Salvatore Aiuto John Chirkun Jan Haggerty Bill Shoemaker Richard Steenland Robert Taylor

ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT:

City Manager	Stephen Truman
City Attorney	Tim Tomlinson
Recording Secretary	Joyce Martinez

Mayor Harold Haugh called the meeting to order at 7 p.m. with the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS AND PROCLAMATIONS

a. Presentation of the "Mayor's Cup" to the Roseville Fire Department for their victory at this year's annual hockey game.

Marilyn Lane, Mayor of Fraser appeared to make the presentation of the "Mayor's Cup" to the Roseville Fire Dogs Hockey Team. Coach Larry Huck accepted the "Mayor's Cup" from Mayor Harold Haugh and Fraser Mayor Marilyn Lane.

Coach Huck thanked everyone for their support of the hockey game. The hockey game benefit raised approximately $4,000; eight children will attend burn camp due to this fundraiser.

Mayor Haugh thanked Mayor Lane for the idea of the hockey game fundraiser. Ms. Lane congratulated the Fire Dogs on their victory.

b. Swearing in of new Police Officers.

Police Chief Richard Heinz appeared with the new officers.

City Clerk Rae Oldaugh administered the Oath of Office to new Police Officers Scott Burley, Anthony Coraci, Shannon Makowski and Alison Rieser.

Mayor Harold Haugh welcomed the new officers to the City of Roseville.

I. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Approval of minutes of Regular Meeting held April 24, 2007.

COUNCILWOMAN JAN HAGGERTY moved, COUNCILMAN ROBERT TAYLOR seconded to approve minutes of Regular Meeting held April 24, 2007.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Approval of Disbursement List.

COUNCILMAN BILL SHOEMAKER moved, COUNCILWOMAN JAN HAGGERTY seconded to approve disbursement list #21, voucher numbers 44724 through 45051.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

II. CORRESPONDENCE

Recording Secretary Joyce Martinez had no correspondence.

III. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

James Goldwater, 19346 Brandt, discussed agenda item #4.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

1. Request from St. Angela Church to conduct their annual Parish Festival on the Church grounds with waiver of fees, August 3 through 5, Larry Beauregard, petitioner.

   Larry Beauregard, 25134 Barbara, appeared on behalf of St. Angela Church.

   COUNCILMAN RICHARD STEENLAND moved, COUNCILMAN SALVATORE AIUTO seconded to approve the request from St. Angela Church to conduct their annual Parish Festival on the Church grounds with waiver of fees, Aught 3 through 5.
   MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

2. Council consideration of request for issuance of massage therapist license and business establishment, Colleen S. DeCouto, petitioner.

   Colleen DeCouto, 25869 Kelly, appeared to answer any questions Council may have.

   COUNCILMAN RICHARD STEENLAND moved, COUNCILMAN JOHN CHIRKUN seconded to approve the request for issuance of massage therapist license and business establishment.
   MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Request adoption of Resolution regarding the State budget crisis.

   City Manager Stephen Truman explained to Council that the proposed resolution is provided by the Michigan Municipal League. The Michigan Municipal League is requesting that the City adopt the resolution to be forwarded to the City's state representative, senator, governor and the Michigan Municipal League.

   City Attorney Tim Tomlinson read the resolution into record.

   Mayor Harold Haugh commented on a meeting he attended with local mayors and community leaders regarding the state budget crisis.

   COUNCILMAN JOHN CHIRKUN moved, COUNCILMAN RICHARD STEENLAND seconded to adopt the following resolution regarding the State budget crisis:

   WHEREAS, after seven straight years of state budget deficits and four years of budget cuts, we are facing yet another $3 billion shortfall in state revenue for the current and 2007-08 fiscal years; and,

   WHEREAS, $3.6 billion has been cut from the state's budget over the past four years, and the state is operating with fewer state employees than in the 1970s; and,

   WHEREAS, funding for local governments has been cut by $2 billion the last five years resulting in a loss of over 1,600 police officers and

2,000 fire fighters statewide compromising the safety of our local communities; and,

WHEREAS, Michigan's major taxes have been cut over 32 times in the past decade, our unemployment rate remains one of the highest in the country, and our auto industry continues to struggle; and,

WHEREAS, the Single Business Tax (SBT), the primary tax paid by businesses in Michigan, will be entirely phased out by the end of the year with no replacement for the $1.9 billion in revenue generated from this tax; and,

WHEREAS, higher education in Michigan has already been cut by $250 million which has resulted in college students and their families having to pay double digit tuition increases and a college education moving further out of reach for the state's middle class; and,

WHEREAS, further cuts to state safety net programs for food assistance, childcare and health care will only result in a shift of demand to already over burdened county and municipal programs.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City of Roseville cannot sustain further cuts in essential services and that further funding cuts will result in a loss of quality of life for the citizens of our community and this state and an inability to retain and attract new business; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Michigan Legislature must demonstrate bipartisan leadership by 1) identifying a full replacement for the SBT and, 2) affirming its commitment to finding funding solutions to address the budget deficit in a manner that will move Michigan into a sound economic future and ensure a high quality of life for our residents.

A copy of this resolution be sent to our state representative, state senator, Governor Granholm and the Michigan Municipal League.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Request awarding of bid for Digital Surveillance System for the Police Department.

City Manager Stephen Truman explained to Council that this request is to upgrade the existing surveillance system from analogue to digital. Specifications were written by the Police Department and bid invitations were sent to ten (10) companies; fifteen (15) companies responded with nine (9) quotes. The four lowest bidders did not meet specifications of the bid; therefore, Mr. Truman recommends the bid be awarded to Interstate Security, Inc. in the amount of $22,620.00.

Mayor Harold Haugh asked City Attorney Tim Tomlinson to explain the City's bidding process in order to answer questions brought up under the first public hearing.

Mr. Tomlinson explained that the City has a competitive bid process where specifications are written for a purpose. If bidders were allowed to modify bids after the official bid opening it could subject the City to a great deal of criticism.

Mayor Haugh asked Mr. Tomlinson if any preferential treatment was given to the winning bid; Mr. Tomlinson stated that in his opinion the company did not receive preferential treatment.

Councilman Richard Steenland clarified the City's bid process to the public and stated he did not find anything unusual with this bid award.

Councilman John Chirkun mentioned that this bid does list the reasons other bidders did not meet specifications.

Councilman Robert Taylor clarified that the money for this purchase is provided through forfeiture funds.

COUNCILMAN RICHARD STEENLAND moved, COUNCILMAN ROBERT TAYLOR seconded to award the bid for Digital Surveillance systems for the Police Department to Interstate Security, Inc. in the amount of $22,620.00.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Appointments.

Mayor Harold Haugh had no appointments.

6. Reports of City Manager.

City Manager Stephen Truman had the following to report:

a. Law Enforcement Day at the Macomb Mall is Saturday, May 12 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
b. The Police Memorial will be held on Thursday, May 17 at 10 a.m. in front of the Police Station.
c. The Freeze Committee met and reviewed the budgeted position of Building Inspector; the recommendation of the Committee is to fill this position from within the City. The individual will start at a lower grade of pay due to lack of commercial inspection experience.
d. The Police Department will apply for the Byrne Justice Assistance Grant in the amount of $17,017 with no match from the City; this will offset the cost of upgrading the police vehicle in-car cameras to digital.

Mayor Haugh stated that the budgeted position for rental inspection is in line with the Council's commitment to enhance Code Enforcement.

7. Reports of City Attorney.

City Attorney Tim Tomlinson updated Council on the Pinewood Nuisance Abatement.

V. HEARING OF THE PUBLIC

Bob DeBruyn, President of Local 520, 29411 Calahan, appeared to discuss a letter read at the last Council Meeting and other issues regarding the City's budget and attrition plan.

Mike Clover, 16279 12 Mile, announced the Roseville Caring Klowns 3rd Annual card party May 14th and stated that the Klowns are always looking for new members. Mr. Clover questioned Council about the possibility of a new restaurant in the vacant Wendy's building.

Daniel Nault, 28374 Waverly, discussed a problem with portable basketball nets on his street and kids walking on his grass.

James Goldwater, 19346 Brandt, reminded everyone to get out and vote this evening and discussed various issues regarding fair meetings and congratulated City employees who speak at Council meetings.

Ed Stross, 28305 Gratiot, agreed with Mr. Goldwater's comments this evening, congratulated Councilwoman Jan Haggerty for a letter she wrote to a newspaper regarding the arts and commented on a newspaper article regarding Virginia Tech. Mr. Stross discussed the need for metal detectors at City Hall.

Marilyn Lane, 33000 Garfield, commended the Mayor and Council on a well run meeting and complimented Roseville on how it conducts business and operates the City.

Steve Chilcutt, 29129 Elmwood, President of the Roseville Caring Klowns, announced a benefit spaghetti dinner at Rose's June 24 from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Charles Frontera, 26240 Blumfield, discussed young people attending Council meetings.

Randolph Tollari, 28367 Waverly, discussed an issue he is having with a neighbor and loud noise.

VI. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION BY CITY COUNCIL

Councilman Robert Taylor congratulated the four new police officers, the Roseville Fire Dogs for their victory and thanked Fraser Mayor Lane and Councilperson Sexauer for attending the meeting. Mr. Taylor announced that he will be absent from the next Council meeting due to a trip to Cedar Point with the Roseville Junior High marching band and also announced that the Roseville Junior High marching band will host a fundraiser at Sterling Lanes on Saturday, May 19 at 1 p.m. Mr. Taylor stated that he stands by his statements made at the last Council Meeting and commented on statements made at the Public Hearing regarding concealed weapons.

Councilman Salvatore Aiuto wished everyone good health.

Councilman Bill Shoemaker welcomed the new police officers, congratulated the Roseville Fire Dogs, thanked the Fraser Mayor and Council for attending this evening and stated he will go visit the Local 520 employees. Mr. Shoemaker commented on the Roseville Caring Klowns.

Councilwoman Jan Haggerty congratulated the Roseville Fire Dogs and congratulated the new police officers, complimented the Roseville School Board administration and students for their "artful journey" and wished every mother a happy Mother's Day.

Councilman John Chirkun commented on the hockey game between Roseville and Fraser. Mr. Chirkun stated he is a retired law enforcement officer and does not take any threatening comments lightly, stated he does not want metal detectors in City Hall and stands by the comments he made at the last meeting. Mr. Chirkun wished every mother a happy Mother's Day.

Councilman Richard Steenland thanked the voters of Roseville for the millage this past November, wished his mother and wife a happy Mother's Day and his parents a happy 54th anniversary.

Mayor Harold Haugh congratulated the new police officers, read a letter he received from a resident commending the Roseville Fire Department, addressed comments made during the public hearing this evening and wished everyone a happy Mother's Day.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

COUNCILMAN JOHN CHIRKUN moved, COUNCILMAN ROBERT TAYLOR seconded that the agenda having been acted upon, the meeting is hereby adjourned at 7:55 p.m.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Respectfully submitted,
Rae A. Oldaugh
City Clerk

PLEASE NOTE: A cassette tape of this meeting is on file in the City Clerk's Office for further information.