

COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
Special Meeting
Monday, December 21, 2015

CALL TO ORDER: By Mayor Lewis, Monday, December 21, 2015 at 7:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Lewis, Councilmembers Bahmer, Johnston, Mitchell, Russo and Ridge, City Attorney Hitch and City Clerk Terpstra.

ABSENT: None.

PURPOSE: Mayor Lewis explained the purpose of the meeting would be a work session to draft terms of a proposed contract with the City Manager.

Each section of the contract was read by Mayor Lewis and discussed by section.

Section 1. A) Duties. No changes

Section 1. B) Professional Status. No Changes

Section 2. Term. Discussion was held on extending the contract to two and a half years to end with fiscal year budget.

Section 3. Salary. Current salary is \$83,125/yr. Discussion was held on salaries for City Managers in like size communities.

Section 4. Professional Development.. No Changes

Section 5. Employee Benefits. Discussion was held on D. Automobile Expense.

Section 6. Outside Employment/Financial Interests. No changes

Section 7. Tenure/Termination. No Changes

Section 8. Severance Pay. A) No Changes

Section 8. B) No Changes

Section 9. Commencement Date. Will be changed to coincide with new contract.

Section 10. Severability. No Changes

Section 11. Governing Law. No Changes

Discussion was held on salary and automobile expense.

Councilmember Ridge moved, supported by Mitchell to extend the contract for two and a half years from February 1, 2016 to June 30, 2018 (Section 2 Term)with a salary of \$92,000/yr (Section 3) and change the automobile expense to \$325/month (Section 5). Carried. 6 Yes. (Ridge, Sanders, Bahmer, Johnston, Mitchell, Lewis) 1 No. (Russo)

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Deb Shaughnessy, 956 Chads Way, Charlotte, MI thanked councilmembers for their service and spoke in favor of the contract extension.

Joe Daly, 223 Pleasant, Apt. 4, Charlotte, MI spoke in favor of the contract extension.

Matt Rush, Hayes Green Beach Hospital President, CEO, read letter on behalf of HGB Board of Trustees in favor of the contract extension.

Don Sovey, CPA, 106 Kensington Ct., Charlotte, MI, read letters from Lansing Regional Chamber of Commerce and LEAP (Lansing

Economic Area Partnership) and spoke in favor of the contract extension.

Beverly Weiss, 723 S. Cochran, Charlotte, MI spoke in support of city services provided and in favor of the contract extension.

Richard Potter, 109 Wedgewood Dr., Charlotte, MI spoke in favor of the contract extension.

Lee Howser, 210 E. Henry, Charlotte, MI spoke in favor of the contract extension.

Lothar Konietzko, 534 High, Charlotte, MI spoke in favor of the contract extension.

Jim Cicorelli, 3210 Daryls Way, Charlotte, MI spoke in favor of the contract extension.

Daryl Baker, 406 E. Third, Charlotte, MI read a letter from LEAP (Lansing Economic Area Partnership) in favor of the contract extension.

Ben Phlegar, 425 Horatio, Charlotte, MI spoke in favor of the contract extension.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMENTS:

- Councilmember Johnston thanked everyone for coming out and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.
- Councilmember Mitchell thanked everyone for attending and asked that they keep coming to the meetings. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.
- Councilmember Ridge thanked the Mayor for calling the special meeting. She thanked everyone for coming. She thanked the council for coming together and working together for the betterment of the community. She wished everyone a Merry Christmas.

- Councilmember Bahmer thanked everyone for coming and displaying their opinions. He encouraged continued output as actions speak louder than words. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas.
- Councilmember Russo stated that this was an example of Democracy in action. He stated that it is good to see people involved. He stated that he appreciated all of the input. He wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a happy and safe holiday.
- Mayor Pro-Tem Sanders thanked everyone and wished everyone a Merry Christmas.
- Mayor Lewis thanked the community and the council for coming together. He thanked everyone who spoke and stated that he appreciated the comments about the Public Works Department.

Councilmember Johnston moved, second by Sanders to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

Tim Lewis, Mayor

Ginger Terpstra, City Clerk