

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Leeming called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at 7:00 pm. She led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

Members Present: Matt Cooper, Denise Donohue (arrived at 7:01 pm), Dave Hunsaker, Mark Kellogg, Trevor VanDyke, Jennifer Whitman, and Mayor Leeming

Excused: None

STAFF:

Daniel Coss, Lisa Grysen, Bruce Ferguson, and Brian Goodenough, City Attorney

AUDIENCE:

Stella Gallagher, Loretta Spinrad, Taylor Bass, Granger Services, and Bill Arens

AGENDA:

Motion by VanDyke, seconded by Kellogg and carried by unanimous vote of the Council that **the agenda be approved as amended.**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Motion by Whitman, seconded by VanDyke, carried by unanimous vote of the Council to **approve the minutes from the May 8, 2023, Regular City Council Meeting as presented.**

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Loretta Spinrad, 113 S. Bridge Street, touched on the following items:

- Concerts in the park start on 6/15 and there will be a total of four concerts this summer
- Ox Roast has the bands contracted for this year and secured all necessary licensing
- They have hired professional lighting and professional bands
- Duck tickets are available
- Clinton Area Transit will be doing the shuttle service from Northpointe Church

CITY ADMINISTRATORS REPORT:

Downtown New Bench Unveiling

The unveiling of the new benches will happen at the first Farmer's Market. The DDA, LEAP, and the artist are communicating to pick a different date. The preference is to hold the ceremony on a Tuesday during the Market. Once a date has been selected invites will be sent to City Council.

Concerts in the Park

The DeWitt Chamber of Commerce's first concert in Riverside Park is scheduled for June 15 from 7-9 pm. The first band will be the Exit 86 Band.

Memorial Association Building

The DeWitt Memorial Association (DMA) has indicated they are reviewing a purchase agreement that was submitted for the building by the church that is renting the west side. If a purchase

agreement is signed the church will have to go through the Special Land Use process. The DMA did inquire about the City's interest in purchasing the building.

Riverside/Sports Park Playground Equipment Installation

The installation for the Sports Park has been scheduled to begin on Tuesday, May 23. Once the installers, MRC, finish the Sports Park they are going to move directly to Riverside Park. If all goes smoothly, including the weather, the new playground structures could be open by late July.

DNR Spark Grants

The second round for the Spark Grants opened on May 1, with applications due by June 26. Resolutions of Support will be on the June 12 Council Agenda for our project submittals. The DNR did announce that the 3rd round of grants will only be open to "opportunity communities". A list of the opportunity communities is provided in your General Information packet. The City of DeWitt is not an opportunity community and will not be eligible for the 3rd round of SPARK grants.

Employee Voluntary 457 Pension Plan

Staff met with MERS of Michigan on Tuesday, May 16 to get information from MERS about their 457 Pension offerings. Positive feedback was received from staff and an interest in moving forward with transitioning away from ICMA to MERS. Additional information is being gathered from MERS and authorization to switch plans does have to be approved by City Council. This is tentatively scheduled to be presented to Council at the June 12 meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:

1. 2022 Annual Report by Taylor Bass of Granger Services:
City Council was provided with a copy of the City of DeWitt Refuse/Recycling - Annual Report. Taylor Bass was in attendance and gave City Council an overview of the report of the service provided over the last 12 months, as required by the contract with Granger Services.

Motion by Donohue, seconded by Whitman, carried by unanimous vote of the Council **to receive and place on file the 2022 Granger Waste Services Annual Report.**

2. MDOT TEDF Category B Funds Resolution of Support:
The MDOT Category B Transportation Economic Development Funds (TEDF) are intended for communities with less than 10,000 population and have a competitive application process. There is approximately \$3 million available statewide with the maximum award of \$250,000 for each community. The Category B funds have to be matched dollar-for-dollar by the local community and can only be used for road resurfacing and other activities not considered regular/routine maintenance, such as crack sealing. The funds can only be used on streets that are classified as "local" streets.

The application for the City would include resurfacing West Dill, Looking Glass Glen, Pine Ridge, Cedarwood, West Webb, and crack sealing various locations throughout the City. City Council was provided with the complete list as follows:

DeWitt Streets for 2022 MDOT Category B Application

<u>Road Name</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
<u>Mill and Resurface</u>		
West Dill	Bridge	Looking Glass Glen
Looking Glass Glen	W. Dill	Pine Ridge
Pine Ridge	Looking Glass Glenn	Cedarwood
Cedarwood	Pine Ridge	DeWitt Drive
West Webb	S. DeWitt Rd.	DeWitt Drive
<u>Crack Sealing</u>		
Alpine	Larkwood	Lucerne
E. Geneva	Herbison	Elmwood
Lucerne	Herbison	S. Geneva
W. Washington	Bridge	Cul-de-sac
S. Geneva	Larkwood	E. Geneva
S. Logan	Washington	Main
Larkwood	Schavey	S. Geneva
Oakwood	Bridge	Ayla
River Oaks	Oakwood	Ayla

The proposed project and application will be for \$500,000 with a local match of \$250,000.00.

Applications are due by 5 p.m. on Thursday, June 15, 2023. If awarded, the funding would be available after October 1, 2023.

Motion by Whitman, seconded by Cooper carried by unanimous vote of the Council **to approve Resolution 2023-06 a Resolution of Support for the City of DeWitt application for the Michigan Department of Transportation Category B Transportation Economic Development Funds and authorize the City Administrator to be the primary MDOT contact.**

- Purchase Replacement Dump Box w/accessories for 2004 International Dump Truck:
 City Council was provided with a staff report from Rich Miller, DPS Supervisor, detailing the replacement dump box, including quotes, for the 2004 International Dump Truck. The following quotes were received:

H & H Welding and Repair	\$24,321.00
Lindco Equipment	\$28,488.00
Truck & Trailer Specialties	\$22,667.00

Rich Miller was in attendance to answer any questions City Council may have

Motion by Donohue, seconded by VanDyke and carried by unanimous vote of the Council to **authorize the purchase and installation of a new Crysteel six-yard dump box, LED lighting, tarp system, ten-inch sideboards, and a cab shield on the 2004 International 7400 4x2 dump truck from Truck and Trailer Specialties in the amount of \$22,667.00.**

COUNCIL STAFF REPORTS:

City Attorney:

- Continue to work on updating police policies

City Clerk-Treasurer:

- Meeting with Clinton County Clerk's Office and Bureau of Elections to get clarification on the administration of future elections due to the passage of Proposal 2. Not much guidance is available yet, but they will keep us posted

DARA:

- No Meeting

DDA:

- Meeting with business owners on 5/23

DAESA:

- Learned about the huge quantities of water needed for an electric vehicle fire

Planning:

- No Meeting

Parks:

- No Meeting

Police Chief:

- Conducting Active Violence Incident (AVI) training at St. Jude's Church
- Both races went well.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by VanDyke, seconded by Whitman and carried by unanimous vote of the Council that **the meeting is adjourned at 8:08 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa M. Grysen
City Clerk-Treasurer

Susan J. Leeming
Mayor