



MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
HAMTRAMCK, MICHIGAN
October 25, 2011
7:00 P.M.

PRELIMINARY MATTERS

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. in the city council chamber on the second floor of City Hall, 3401 Evaline, Hamtramck, MI 48212 by Mayor Karen Majewski.

Roll call: Present: Karen Majewski, Cathie Gordon, Tom Jankowski, Catrina Stackpoole, Mohammed Hassan and Shahab Ahmed. Absent: Kazi Miah (Excused). Others present: City Manager Bill Cooper, City Attorney James Allen and City Clerk Ed Norris.

All stood and said the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

Jankowski requested a discussion on the Water Department be added to the agenda. (Item #5 New Business) The change was moved by Gordon, seconded by Ahmed. The amended agenda was approved on a voice vote. No – Stackpoole.

Public comments concerning agenda items were made by Bob Zwolak.

SECTION I: PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE HAMTRAMCK CITY CODE ADDING A CHAPTER FOR THE PURPOSE OF REQUIRING REIMBURSEMENT FOR MEDICAL SERVICES RECEIVED BY THOSE IN CONFINEMENT BY OR AT THE DIRECTION OF THE CITY OF HAMTRAMCK. Placed on the agenda by City Manager Cooper. **The public hearing was opened at 7:16 p.m. and immediately closed. No Comments from the public.**

SECTION II: UNFINISHED BUSINESS - Ordinances scheduled for second reading and ordinances or resolutions previously postponed.

1. AN ORDINANCE (2011-6) TO AMEND THE HAMTRAMCK CITY CODE ADDING A CHAPTER FOR THE PURPOSE OF REQUIRING REIMBURSEMENT FOR MEDICAL SERVICES RECEIVED BY THOSE IN CONFINEMENT BY OR AT THE DIRECTION OF THE CITY OF HAMTRAMCK. **Motion: Gordon. Second: Ahmed. The ordinance was adopted on a voice vote. All – yes.**

SECTION III: CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

The following items will be adopted on a single motion without discussion unless a councilmember requests separate consideration.

1. City Council Meeting Minutes:
 - a. Regular Meeting – October 11, 2011

2. RESOLUTION (2011-130) CONFIRMING THE APPOINTMENT OF SEAN KOWALSKI TO THE HAMTRAMCK PLAN COMMISSION. Mayor Majewski has appointed Sean Kowalski to the Hamtramck Plan Commission for a term ending 1/1/2014.
3. RESOLUTION (2011-131) APPOINTING HANE DRESHAJ TO THE HAMTRAMCK HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION. This is a council appointment for a term ending 7-1-14. Placed on the agenda by Councilmember Stackpoole.

SECTION IV: NEW BUSINESS - Ordinance introductions and resolutions for initial consideration.

1. FUND WARRANT LIST AND PAYROLL. (2011-132) **Motion: Gordon. Second: Ahmed. After discussion Gordon moved, Jankowski seconded a motion to amend the list and pay everything with the exception of payment to Walter Tripp in the amount of \$1,680. The motion to amend passed on a voice vote. The Fund Warrant List and Payroll as amended passed on a voice vote.**
 2. DISCUSSION: Medical Marijuana Ordinances. Placed on the agenda by Councilmember Stackpoole. **A discussion took place with council asking questions of Jim Allen. A 1 hour discussion on this topic was allotted to the work session scheduled for Saturday, October 29, 2011 at 10:00 a.m.**
 3. RESOLUTION (2011-133) TO APPROVE THE CITY MANAGER'S APPOINTMENT OF AN ACTING CITY MANAGER. City Manager Cooper is appointing T. Edwin Norris, City Clerk as Acting City Manager in the event of a temporary absence, disability or vacancy in office. Placed on the agenda by City Manager Cooper. **Motion: Stackpoole. Second: Ahmed. After discussion the resolution was approved on a voice vote. No- Jankowski, Gordon.**
 4. RESOLUTION (2011-134) APPROVING A SIGN OFF POLICY AND PROCEDURE FOR MATTERS BROUGHT BEFORE COUNCIL. The policy provides for department head approval on matters brought before council. Placed on the agenda by City Manager Cooper. **Motion: Gordon. Second: Ahmed. After discussion the resolution was approved on a voice vote.**
- (5) **DISCUSSION – Water department. (Jankowski) A debate took place on issues related to water billing.**

SECTION V: OTHER ITEMS

1. City Manager's Report: **None**
2. **Public comments were made by Pearl Prieur, Bob Zwolak and Vera Burk.**
3. Non-agenda items and other business:
Ahmed moved to suspend the rules to allow a resolution (2011-135) to direct the City Manager to bring forward the next eligible candidate for Police Chief. The motion to suspend the rules was approved on a voice vote. Yes – All. Absent – Stackpoole. After discussion the resolution was approved on a voice vote. No – Gordon. Absent – Stackpoole.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

T. Edwin Norris, City Clerk