DUNDAS CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
Monday, January 27, 2020
7:00 p.m. Dundas City Hall

Present: Mayor Glenn Switzer; Councilors John Cruz, Larry Fowler, Grant Modory
Absent: Councilor Chad Pribyl
Staff Present: City Attorney Paula Callies, City Engineer John Powell, Administrator/Clerk Jenelle Teppen, Deputy Clerk Linda Ripka

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE
Mayor Switzer called the Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with the pledge of allegiance. A quorum was present.

PUBLIC FORUM/PRESENTATION
Representative Todd Lippert
MN House Representative Lippert introduced himself. He encouraged Council members to contact him on matters of importance. He stated his funding concerns for the area was street/highway funding. Councilor Modory had indicated like to see funding for completion of Mills Town Trail.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
Motion by Fowler, second by Cruz, to approve agenda. Motion Carried Unanimously (MCU)

CONSENT AGENDA
Motion by Cruz, second by Fowler, to approve the consent agenda as follows:
  Initial and Regular Minutes of January 6, 2020;
  Professional Contractors Payment #4 - City Hall Project - $181,910.74;
  Disbursements - $250,166.52. MCU

OLD BUSINESS
No old business before Council

ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTIONS
Resolution 2020-02 A Resolution Approving Pay Equity Report and Submission of Pay Equity Report
Motion by Modory, second by Cruz, to Approve Resolution 2020-02. Administrator Teppen indicated the Pay Equity Report for 2019 has been completed, filed and in compliance with State requirements. MCU

Resolution 2020-03 A Resolution Approving an Election Judge for 2020 Presidential Primary, Primary and General Election
Motion by Cruz, second by Fowler, to approve Resolution 2020-03. MCU

Resolution 2020-04 A Resolution Approving a Nuisance Violation at 210 County Road 1 East and Ordering Abatement (Removed from Agenda)

Hearing on Nuisance Violation at 210 County Road 1 East
Attorney Callies explained the hearing process. Administrator Teppen stated the property owner was first notified in September 2019 about nuisance violations on the property. She stated at the initial hearing on November 25, 2019, the property owner representative stated they were working on resolving the violations with their tenants but little to no progress has been made for meeting compliance as of this date.
ORDINANCE AND RESOLUTIONS (con’t)

Hearing on Nuisance Violation at 210 County Road 1 East (con’t)

Tenant Pete Lee stated movement of various outside items has been made and indicated cars have been registered, insured and he plans to move all outside autos as his health issues allow. He requested additional time to move items, except the cars, which he will have moved by the end of March.

Councilor Modory indicated he wants the items cleaned up as they received the first notification in September 2019. Mayor Switzer reviewed the process and indicated that the zoning requirements do not allow outside storage and there will need to be discussion with the owner regarding that and the type of business allowed in this zoning area. Councilor Cruz suggested listing the items and a specific time line each removed. Mayor Switzer stated there is no outside storage allowed in this zoning area so all items outside are to be removed and such a listing could change. He stated not all the items of noncompliance belong to the tenant who is present and owner needs to be part of the process.

Motion by Switzer, second by Modory to allow property owner on record and tenants of the building at 210 County Road 1 East be in compliance with removal of outside items as stated in letter of nuisance violation no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 6, 2020. MCU

Resolution 2020-05 A Resolution Approving a Nuisance Violation at 207 Spring Wheat Drive and Ordering Abatement (Removed from Agenda)

Hearing on Nuisance Violation at 207 Spring Wheat Drive

Administrator Teppen stated no noted progress has been made since November 2019 in achieving compliance related to nuisance violations and no word received from owner.

Motion by Modory, second by Cruz, to allow property owner on record at 207 Spring Wheat Drive be in compliance with removal of outside items as stated in letters of nuisance violation no later than 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 6, 2020. MCU

NEW BUSINESS
Consider Approving Access Agreement for MnDNR

Motion by Modory, second by Cruz, to approve an Access Agreement for MnDNR for installation, maintenance and use of a test hole or water level observation well on City-owned land on NW Corner of Schilling Park, just off County Road 1; and to authorize Mayor Glenn Switzer and Administrator/Clerk Jenelle Teppen to enter into such an agreement on behalf of the City of Dundas. City Engineer Powell reviewed the Access Agreement in regards to groundwater monitoring well. He stated MnDNR would be owner of the well and responsible for installing and maintaining the well at no cost to the City. MCU

REPORTS OF OFFICERS, BOARDS AND COMMITTEES

City Administrator – Jenelle Teppen

Milltown Millstone Association Letter – Teppen reviewed request from the Association for Council to pass an Ordinance requiring all garbage receptacles be stored in garages. Council stated no action.

Bridgewater Township Proposed Meeting Date – Council suggested meeting in April on a Wednesday.

ADJOURN

Motion by Cruz, second by Modory, to adjourn the meeting at 8:22 p.m. MCU

Submitted by: Attest:

Jenelle Teppen, Administrator/Clerk Glenn Switzer, Mayor