

**\*\*Subject to Council Approval\*\***

**JONESVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
Minutes of September 16, 2020**

A meeting of the Jonesville City Council was held on Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at Wright Street Park, 416 Wright Street, Jonesville, MI. Mayor Gerry Arno called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Council members present were: Tim Bowman, Jerry Drake, Brenda Guyse, George Humphries Jr., Delesha Padula and Andy Penrose.

Also present: Manager Gray, Treasurer Spahr, WWTP Supt. Mahoney, DPW Supt. Kyser, Police Chief Lance, Attorney Lovinger, Debbie Hollister (Jonesville Lions Club), Tracy Sigler (Jonesville Lions Club), and Scott Jones (Martinrea-Jonesville).

Councilman Penrose led the Pledge of Allegiance and moment of silence.

A motion was made by Brenda Guyse and supported by Jerry Drake to approve the agenda as presented. All in favor. Motion carried.

Debbie Hollister spoke on behalf of the Jonesville Lions Club in support of reserving Carl Fast Park for Lights of Love. Ms. Hollister stated that the Jonesville Lions Club intends to be as cautious as possible and to ask the groups to practice social distancing when helping with the project. All participants will be required to wear masks. Trees will be scheduled, installed and decorated the end of November and will be on display until the 1<sup>st</sup> of January.

The Public Hearing was opened at 6:33 p.m. by Mayor Arno for the purpose of an Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption Certificate Application from Martinrea Jonesville LLC. Scott Jones of Martinrea Jonesville LLC gave a brief update as to the current status of the business. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:34 p.m.

A motion was made by Brenda Guyse and supported by Tim Bowman to approve Resolution 2020-16 – Approve Martinrea Jonesville LLC PA 198 Industrial Facilities Tax Exemption for the purpose of building improvements in the amount of \$1,560,908.00 for the addition of warehousing space and a machine lab, to retain 724 jobs and to create more than 50 new jobs as a result of the project. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Tim Bowman, Jerry Drake, Brenda Guyse, George Humphries Jr., Delesha Padula, Andy Penrose and Gerry Arno. Nays: None. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Delesha Padula and supported by Jerry Drake to extend the Indoor/Outdoor Facility Use Policy discontinuing reservation of City facilities for non-city functions through the end of the year and reviewing the policy each month. The policy was established on June 17, 2020. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Jerry Drake and supported by Delesha Padula to allow the Jonesville Lions Club to hold their Lights of Love event in Carl Fast Park. The event will occupy the park from November 12<sup>th</sup> through January 12<sup>th</sup> and will utilize the City's electricity during this time period. The Jonesville Lions Club provided a request to Council with a timeline of the event. Social Distancing will be required of the groups assisting with this project, along with the request for participants to wear masks. Motion carried.

Discussion was held regarding the Meter Reading Technology and the failure of it to provide the required data. City staff is working with the installer and our project engineer to develop a solution to the several meters that are no longer being read.

Andy Penrose made a motion to approve the Council minutes of August 19, 2020. George Humphries Jr. supported the motion. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Tim Bowman and supported by Brenda Guyse to approve the Closed Session Council minutes of August 19, 2020. All in favor. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Andy Penrose and supported by Delesha Padula to approve Accounts Payable for September 2020 totaling \$167,741.13. All in favor. Motion approved.

Updates were given by Department Heads, Manager Gray and Council.

At 7:27 p.m. a motion was made by Jerry Drake and supported by Brenda Guyse to move into closed session in accordance with the Michigan Open Meetings Act Section 15.268(e), to allow Council to consult with its attorney regarding trial or settlement strategy in connection with specific pending litigation. Roll Call Vote: Ayes: Tim Bowman, Jerry Drake, Brenda Guyse, George Humphries Jr., Delesha Padula, Andy Penrose and Gerry Arno. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The meeting returned to open session at 8:01 p.m.

Mayor Arno adjourned the meeting at 8:02 p.m.

Submitted by:

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Cynthia D. Means  
Clerk

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Gerald E. Arno  
Mayor