

**CITY OF TRENTON, MICHIGAN  
REGULAR MEETING  
March 3, 2008**

After the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, the Regular Meeting of the City Council of Trenton, Michigan was called to order by Mayor Brown, at 8:00 p.m. on the above date in the City Hall Council Chambers.

Present on roll call by City Clerk Stack: Mayor Brown, Councilpersons: Baun-Crooks, Gillespie, LeFevre, McLeod, Taylor, and Teifer.

There being a quorum present, the Council was declared in session.

Absent: None.

Other Officers Present: John Dahlquist, City Assessor; Randy Schoen, City Treasurer; Wallace Long, City Attorney; Robert Cady, City Administrator; Christine Arnoczki, City Controller Paul Haley, Emergency Management Coordinator; William Hogan, City Engineer; Bruce Vick, Fire Chief; Scott Church, Human Resources Director; Patrick Hawkins, Parks and Recreation Director; William Lilienthal, Police Chief; and Alan Bober, DPS Director.

**MINUTES**

Moved by Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilwoman Baun-Crooks, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 19, 2008.

Carried unanimously.

**COMMUNICATIONS AGENDA**

**GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS**

- C-1. TRENTON OUTBOARD RACING CLUB: Request for Assistance with Insurance Premiums
- C-2. FRIENDS OF THE DETROIT RIVER: Refuge River Run Road Closure Request

**DEPARTMENT HEADS, OFFICIALS, C.S.S. REFERRAL**

- D-1. ATTORNEY: Ordinance 712, Board of Review Alternate, (2nd Rdg)
- D-2. ENGINEER/ATTORNEY: City Hall HVAC Replacement Design Services
- D-3. CONTROLLER: Software Upgrades to Main File Server
- D-4. DPS: Request to Advertise for Lawn Mowing and Maintenance
- D-5. FIRE: Fire Turnout Gear Bid Recommendation
- D-6. FIRE: Scott Aviation Face Piece Purchase
- D-7. MAYOR: Study Session Agenda for Monday, March 10, 2008

**COMMUNICATIONS**

(C-1)

**TRENTON OUTBOARD RACING CLUB**

Request for Assistance with Insurance Premiums

Moved by Councilman Gillespie, seconded by Councilman Taylor, to approve the request from the Trenton Outboard Racing Club for assistance in the amount of \$3,036.00, for insurance coverage for the 58<sup>th</sup> Annual Powerboat Racing Regatta.

Roll Call: Brown, Yes; Gillespie, Yes; LeFevre, Yes; McLeod, No; Taylor, Yes; Teifer, Yes; and Baun-Crooks, Yes.

Motion carried.

(C-2)

**FRIENDS OF THE DETROIT RIVER**

Refuge River Run Road Closure Request

**CITY OF TRENTON  
RESOLUTION  
2008-11**

**WHEREAS**, the City wishes to make arrangements for the 2008 Refuge River Run;  
and

**WHEREAS**, such arrangements require certain designations and approvals from various agencies.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the City Council of the City of Trenton, that the Refuge River Run is hereby approved for Friday, June 13, 2008.

**BE IT FURTHERED RESOLVED**, that the event is designated as a "Special Event" pursuant to Trenton Ordinance No. 537 of 1994 (the "Ordinance"), and that the below mentioned street and highway surfaces be subject to the provisions of the Ordinance.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Wayne County Parks System be requested to prohibit traffic in Elizabeth Park from 5:00 p.m. until the conclusion of the Race.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Wayne County Department of Public Services give permission to the City of Trenton to close the following streets on that date:

- A. West Jefferson between West Road and Elm, from 5:30 p.m. to 1:00 a.m.;
- B. West Jefferson south of West Road to Elizabeth Park, and north of West Road to Truax, while the race is in progress; and
- C. Truck traffic on West Jefferson between Van Horn and King Roads, from 5:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City of Trenton Close the following City streets while the race is in progress on that date:

- A. St. Joseph between Riverside Drive and Third Street from 3:00 p.m. until 1:00 a.m.
- B. Walnut between West Jefferson and Riverside Drive;
- C. Riverside Drive from Walnut to Truax;
- D. Truax between Riverside and alley east of West Jefferson;
- E. The alley east of West Jefferson between Truax and Atwood;
- F. Atwood between Riverside and West Jefferson

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that pursuant to Wayne County Regulations, the City of Trenton shall assume liability for any damages which may arise as a result of the above mentioned road closures.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the City Engineer, William Hogan, P.E., is hereby designated and authorized to sign the road Closure Permit on behalf of the City of Trenton.

**ADOPTED, APPROVED AND PASSED** by the City Council of the City of Trenton, on this 3rd day of March, 2008.

Moved by Councilman LeFevre, seconded by Councilwoman Baun-Crooks, to approve the road closure request for the Refuge River Run to be held on Friday, June 13, 2008.

Carried unanimously.

(D-1)

ATTORNEY

Ordinance 712, Board of Review Alternate, (2nd Rdg)

**CITY OF TRENTON  
ORDINANCE NO. 712**

**AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 2 OF THE TRENTON CITY CODE ENTITLED "ADMINISTRATION", ARTICLE IX, ENTITLED "BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS", BY CREATING A NEW DIVISION 9 ENTITLED "BOARD OF REVIEW", TO PROVIDE FOR A MECHANISM FOR THE PURPOSE OF CREATING "ALTERNATE" POSITIONS FOR USE BY THE CITY'S BOARD OF REVIEW IN THE EVENT OF CONFLICT OR ABSENCE.**

**THE CITY OF TRENTON, COUNTY OF WAYNE ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 1.** Chapter 2, Article IX, entitled "Boards and Commissions", of the Trenton City Code, shall be amended by creating a new Division 9 entitled "Board of Review", for the purpose of creating "Alternate" positions for use by the City's Board of Review in the event of conflict or absence, which shall read as follows:

**Division IX, Board of Review.**

**Section 2-601. Establishment of Alternates.**

The City Council shall appoint not more than two Alternate Members to the Board of Review for the same term as regular members of the Board of Review.

**Section 2-602. Qualifications of Alternates.**

Each Alternate Member shall be a property tax payer of the City and shall qualify by taking the constitutional oath of office within ten days following appointment.

**Section 2-603. Vacancies**

The City Council shall fill any vacancy which occurs in the alternate membership in the Board of Review.

**Section 2-604. Eligibility.**

A member of the City Council, or spouse, mother, father, sister, brother, son, or daughter of a Council member, including an adopted child of member, or of the Assessor, is not eligible to serve as an alternate member or to fill any vacancy

**Section 2-605. Duties.**

An Alternate Member may be called upon by the Assessor to perform the duties of a regular member of the Board of Review in the absence of a regular member or, for purposes of reaching a decision in issues protested in which a regular Board member has abstained for reasons of conflict of interest.

**Section 3. Saving Clause.** Nothing in this Ordinance or in the Code hereby adopted shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding pending in any court, or any rights acquired, or liability incurred, or any cause or causes of action acquired or existing, under any act or ordinance hereby repealed; nor shall any just or legal right or remedy of any character be lost, impaired or affected by this Ordinance.

**Section 4. Severability.** Should any word, sentence, phrase or any portion of this Ordinance be held in a manner invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction or by any state agency having authority to do so for any reason whatsoever, such holdings shall be construed and limited to such work, sentence, phrase or any portion of the Ordinance held to be so invalid shall not be construed as affecting the validity of any of the remaining words, sentences, phrases or portions of this Ordinance.

**Section 5. Conflicting Ordinances.** All prior existing ordinances adopted by the City of Trenton inconsistent or in conflict with the provisions of this Ordinance are, to the extent of such conflict or inconsistency, hereby expressly repealed.

**Section 6.** This ordinance shall be given first reading on the 19th of February, 2008, final reading of the 3rd of March, 2008, published on the 16th day of March, 2008, and become effective on March 17, 2008.

**ADOPTED, APPROVED AND PASSED** by the City Council of the City of Trenton, this 3rd day of March, 2008.

Moved by Councilman Gillespie, seconded by Councilman Taylor, to approve the second reading of Ordinance 712, Board of Review Alternate.

Carried unanimously.

(D-2)  
ENGINEER/ATTORNEY  
City Hall HVAC Replacement Design Services

Moved by Councilman Gillespie, seconded by Councilwoman Baun-Crooks, to approve the modified contract for Architecture and Design Services for the renovation of the HVAC System at City Hall with Robert Howey of R.J. Howey, Inc.; to approve the expense in the amount of \$94,000.00; and to authorize the Mayor to sign the contract on behalf of the City of Trenton.

Carried unanimously.

(D-3)  
CONTROLLER  
Software Upgrades to Main File Server

Moved by Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilwoman Baun-Crooks, to concur with the recommendation of the City Controller and authorize the purchase of the upgrade for the operating system on the main file server in the amount of \$26,313.00, from Cavalier Business Communications, and to waive the usual bidding procedure in the best interest of the City, with funds from the Computer Account (101-930-934.001).

Carried unanimously.

(D-4)  
DPS  
Request to Advertise for Lawn Mowing and Maintenance

Moved by Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilwoman Baun-Crooks, to refer the request from the Department of Public Services Director to prepare bid advertisement for lawn mowing and maintenance services to the Council Study Session on Monday, March 10, 2008.

Carried unanimously.

(D-5)

FIRE

Fire Turnout Gear Bid Recommendation

Moved by Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilwoman Baun-Crooks, to concur with the recommendation of the Fire Chief and award the bid for fire turnout gear to the lowest bidder, Apollo Fire Equipment, in the amount of \$47,025.00, with \$43,989.00, to come from Federal Grant Monies and the balance of \$3,036.00, from the Fire Department Machinery and Equipment Account (101-336-982.000) and to reject the other bids.

Carried unanimously.

(D-6)

FIRE

Scott Aviation Face Piece Purchase

Moved by Councilman Gillespie, seconded by Councilman LeFevre, to reject the bid submitted by West Shore for the Scott Aviation Face Piece and award the face piece bid to Argus/Hazco in the amount of \$6,029.10, from Federal Funds.

Carried unanimously.

(D-7)

MAYOR

Study Session Agenda for Monday, March 10, 2008

Moved by Councilman Gillespie, seconded by Councilwoman McLeod, to approve the agenda for the Study Session to be held on Monday, March 10, 2008, to be comprised of the following items: Owen Park Subdivision and the Request to Advertise for Lawn Mowing and Maintenance.

Carried unanimously.

**AUTHORIZED DISBURSEMENTS**

Moved by Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilwoman McLeod, that the Authorized Disbursements, per the March 3, 2008, schedule, be approved.

MONROE BANK & TRUST: Cash Disbursements           \$4,971,661.83

General Fund	132,798.03
Major Street Fund	2,651.30
Local Street Fund	1,676.95
Kennedy Rec. Complex Fund	5,849.49
Community Block Grant	15.00
Library Operating Fund	7,853.09
Tax Receiving Fund	4,637,183.24
Special Revenue Funds	1,952.74
Grant Funds	338.05
Capital Project Fund	12,041.18

**RECORD OF CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS  
CITY OF TRENTON, MICHIGAN  
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SINC Fund	17,648.75
Water & Wastewater Fund	124,490.16
Motor Vehicle Pool	22,247.21
Restricted Self Ins.	6,026.44

Carried unanimously.

Moved by Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilwoman Baun-Crooks, to approve the March 3, 2008, disbursement payable to Certified Alarm in the amount of \$1,110.00.

Roll Call: Gillespie, Abstain; LeFevre, Yes; McLeod, Yes; Taylor, Yes; Teifer, Yes; Baun-Crooks, Yes; and Brown, Yes.

Motion carried.

**REPORTS**

Moved by Councilman Taylor, seconded by Councilwoman Baun-Crooks, to receive and place on file the Commission and Board Reports, March 3, 2008; the Traffic Safety Division Report, January 2008; the Parks & Recreation Department Report, January 2008; and the Fire Department Manpower Report, January 2008.

Carried unanimously.

**COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL AND OFFICIALS**

Mayor Brown	* Thanked Students Who Attended Meeting; Congratulated Kelly Fedele for Outstanding Individual Engineering Excellence Award; and the City Engineer and the WWTP Employees the 2007 Project of the Year Award
Councilman Taylor	* Power Outages in Same Grid Area
Councilman Teifer	* Youth Sports in Trenton, Commended Coach Guidi and others, Wished THS Hockey Team Good Luck
Councilwoman McLeod	* Welcomed Students for Government Day and Good Luck to THS Hockey Team
City Assessor Dahlquist	* Appeals on Assessments March 11 - 19
DPS Director Bober	* Wayne County Household Hazardous Waste Day, March 15 <sup>th</sup>

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Eric Gilpatrick	* Swim Team Undefeated, 4 Swimmers Going to States
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Bill LeFevre

\* Double Homicide in Riverview

**MOTION TO ADJOURN BY:** Councilwoman McLeod, seconded by Councilman Gillespie, to adjourn at 8:45 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

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GERALD R. BROWN, MAYOR

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KYLE F. STACK, CITY CLERK

**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

1. Seventh Day Adventist: Door to Door Campaign.
2. SSO Award and MSPE Engineer of the Year.

MINUTES PREPARED BY: Patricia M. Gearhart, Deputy City Clerk  
APPROVED ON: \_\_\_\_\_