

**CITY OF TRENTON, MICHIGAN  
REGULAR MEETING  
April 25, 2011**

After the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag, a moment of silence was observed in memory of former City Employees Peter Martin, Carol LaFramboise, and former Commissioner Charlotte Scheffler who passed away. The Regular Meeting of the City Council of Trenton, Michigan was called to order by Mayor Brown, at 8:02 p.m. on the above date in the City Hall Council Chambers.

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

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

Absent: Councilpersons LeFevre and McLeod.

Moved by Councilperson Taylor, seconded by Councilperson Gillespie, to excuse the absence of Councilpersons LeFevre and McLeod.

Carried unanimously.

Other Officers Present: Randy Schoen, City Treasurer; Robert Cady, City Administrator; Wallace Long, City Attorney; William Hogan, City Engineer; Bruce Vick, Fire Chief; Scott Church, Human Resources Director; Patrick Hawkins, Parks and Recreation Director; William Lilienthal, Police Chief; and Eric Witte, Department of Public Services Director.

**MINUTES**

Moved by Councilperson Taylor, seconded by Councilperson Gillespie, to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 4, 2011.

Carried unanimously.

**BID OPENINGS**

**Meyer Ellias Memorial Park Shoreline Planting Project**

Moved by Councilperson Gillespie, seconded by Councilperson Taylor, to authorize the City Clerk to open the sealed bids for the Meyer Ellias Memorial Park Shoreline Planting Project.

Carried unanimously.

The Clerk opened the sealed bids and read the bids aloud:

McNally's Landscape and Design Inc.	\$29,545.00
Chaszar Mastellar LTD	\$37,225.00

Moved by Councilperson Taylor, seconded by Councilperson Gillespie, to refer the bids to Administration for review and recommendation to the Council.

Carried unanimously.

### APPOINTMENTS

Moved by Councilperson Taylor, seconded by Councilperson Baun-Crooks, to concur with the recommendation of the Mayor and approve the reappointment of D. Brad O'Connor to the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, with a term ending May 1, 2014.

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

Motion carried.

### COMMUNICATIONS AGENDA

#### GENERAL

- B-1. 33<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT COURT: Fines, Costs, Fees, March 2011
- B-2. LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION: Transfer Stock, 2010 Class C License, 916 West Jefferson
- B-3. KEVIN AND TAMMY SPALSBURY: Property Easement Request

#### GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS

- C-1. TRENTON GOODFELLOWS: Annual Newspaper Sale Drive
- C-2. ST JOSEPH CHURCH: Road Closure Request for Picnic
- C-3. NANCY RICHARDS: Annual National Day of Prayer
- C-4. WEST GRANGE PHARMACY: Women's Health Week Celebration

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

- D-1. ADMINISTRATOR: Permission to Bid Copiers
- D-2. FIRE: Request to Waive Bid and Install E-Light Emergency Vehicle Alert System
- D-3. PARKS & RECREATION: Part Time Summer Employment
- D-4. ATTORNEY: Rezoning Petition, Edsel Estate Senior Residence, 2220 Edsel
- D-5. DPS: Permission to Dispose of Obsolete Equipment

### COMMUNICATIONS

(B-1)  
33<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT COURT  
Fines, Costs, Fees, March 2011

Moved by Councilperson Taylor, seconded by Councilperson Gillespie, to receive and place on file the Fines, Costs, Fees, March 2011, showing the City of Trenton owing \$6,129.03.

Carried unanimously.

(B-2)

LIQUOR CONTROL COMMISSION  
Transfer Stock, 2010 Class C License, 916 West Jefferson

**CITY OF TRENTON**  
**RESOLUTION 2011- 9**

Moved by Councilperson Gillespie, seconded by Councilperson Baun-Crooks, that the request from Sibley Gardens, Inc. to transfer stock in 2010 Class C License, located at 916 W. Jefferson, Trenton, Mi 48183, Wayne County, as follows: Step 1 – Transfer stock in the 1989 licensing year wherein Sam A Piunti, Jr. transfers 5 shares of stock to new stockholder Andrea Papp on January 1, 1990. Step 2 – Transfer stock in the 1992 licensing year by dropping Mary Piunti through transfer of 12,500 shares of stock to existing stockholder Sam A. Piunti, Jr. on December 30, 1992. Step 3 – Transfer stock in the 1995 licensing year wherein Sam A Piunti Jr. transfers 5 shares of stock to new stockholder Nicholas Piunti on July 25, 1995. Step 4 - Transfer stock in the 2003 licensing year by dropping Sam A. Piunti, Jr. through transfer of 49,990 shares of stock to the corporation July 1, 2003, be considered for approval.

Carried unanimously.

(B-3)

KEVIN AND TAMMY SPALSBURY  
Property Easement Request

Moved by Councilperson Gillespie, seconded by Councilperson Taylor, to refer the letter submitted by Kevin and Tammy Spalsbury requesting to have the property easement south of the property located at 2633 Dickinson vacated, to Administration for review and recommendation.

Carried unanimously.

(C-1)

TRENTON GOODFELLOWS  
Annual Newspaper Sale Drive

Moved by Councilperson Gillespie, seconded by Councilperson Taylor, to grant permission to the Annual Newsboys Paper Sale to be held on Friday, November 18, and Saturday, November 19, 2011, and for the use of the Department of Public Services personnel and trucks to deliver the food baskets on Wednesday, December 21, 2011, and in the event of inclement weather, December 22, 2011.

Carried unanimously.

(C-2)  
ST JOSEPH CHURCH  
Road Closure Request for Picnic

Moved by Councilperson Taylor, seconded by Councilperson Baun-Crooks, to grant permission to the St. Joseph Church Parish to close Elm Street from the alley behind the Church to Third Street, on Monday, June 13, 2011, from 9:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m., in order to hold a picnic, under the direction of the Department of Public Services and the Police Department.

Carried unanimously.

(C-3)  
NANCY RICHARDS  
Annual National Day of Prayer

Moved by Councilperson Teifer, seconded by Councilperson Baun-Crooks, to grant permission for the National Day of Prayer gathering to be held in front of Trenton City Hall on Thursday, May 5, 2011, and the use of the City Hall Chambers in the event of inclement weather.

Carried unanimously.

(C-4)  
WEST GRANGE PHARMACY  
Women's Health Week Celebration

Moved by Councilperson Baun-Crooks, seconded by Councilperson Gillespie, to grant permission to West Grange Pharmacy to hold an outdoor event in celebration of Nation Women's Health Week, on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011, from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. in front of the Pharmacy.

Carried unanimously.

(D-1)  
ADMINISTRATOR  
Permission to Bid Copiers

Moved by Councilperson Gillespie, seconded by Councilperson Baun-Crooks, to grant permission to the City Administrator to prepare advertisement and specifications to solicit bids for copiers.

Carried unanimously.

(D-2)

FIRE

Request to Waive Bid and Install E-Light Emergency Vehicle Alert System

Moved by Councilperson Taylor, seconded by Councilperson Gillespie, to concur with the recommendation of the Fire Chief and to waive the usual bidding procedure in the best interest of the City and approve the installation of an Emergency Vehicle Alert System lighting, at the intersection of Fort Street and Sibley, to be purchased from E-Light, LLC, the sole provider, at no cost to the City, with funding from Federal Grant Funds for the expenditure by the Downriver Community Conference.

Carried unanimously.

(D-3)

PARKS & RECREATION

Part Time Summer Employment

Moved by Councilperson Gillespie, seconded by Councilperson Taylor, to approve the employment of Lauren Naylor-Thackeray at the Kennedy Recreation Center.

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

Motion carried.

(D-4)

ATTORNEY

Rezoning Petition, Edsel Estate Senior Residence, 2220 Edsel

Moved by Councilperson Taylor, seconded by Councilperson Baun-Crooks, to receive and place on file the Rezoning Petition, for Edsel Estate Senior Residence, located at 2220 Edsel, and refer the request to a future Study Session.

Carried unanimously.

Gregory Bator, Attorney for owner of the property addressed the Mayor and Council.

(D-5)

DPS

Permission to Dispose of Obsolete Equipment

Moved by Councilperson Gillespie, seconded by Councilperson Baun-Crooks, to authorize the Department of Public Services to dispose of two diesel arrow boards, five walk behind power mowers and one snow blower, by utilizing the services of Martin's Towing.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION

Moved by Councilperson Teifer, seconded by Councilperson Taylor, to authorize the Department of Public Services to dispose of two diesel arrow boards, and one snow blower, by utilizing the services of Martin's Towing.

Carried unanimously.

**AUTHORIZED DISBURSEMENTS**

Moved by Councilperson Gillespie, seconded by Councilperson Taylor, that the Authorized Disbursements, per the April 25, 2011, schedule, be approved

MONROE BANK & TRUST: Cash Disbursements	\$295,389.77
General Fund	71,318.30
Major Street Fund	4,055.26
Local Street Fund	2,206.85
Kennedy Rec Complex	8,657.39
Library Operating Fund	4,072.11
Tax Receiving Fund	19,040.15
Special Revenue Fund	3,822.09
Grant Funds	4,551.18
D.D.A. Fund	720.00
SINC Fund	2,719.96
Water & Wastewater Fund	142,584.41
Motor Vehicle Pool	28,609.94
Restricted Self Insurance	4,028.01

Carried unanimously.

Moved by Councilperson Gillespie, seconded by Councilperson Taylor, to receive and place on file, the Financial Summary dated March 31, 2011.

Carried unanimously.

**REPORTS**

Moved by Councilperson Gillespie, seconded by Councilperson Taylor, to receive and place on file, the Commission and Board Reports, April 25, 2011; DPS Report, March 2011; Fire Department Report, March 2011; and the Police Department Report, March 2011

Carried unanimously.

**COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL AND OFFICIALS**

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| Councilperson Gillespie | * Status of Recycling With New Process  |
| City Clerk Stack        | * Congratulated Eric Henegar, Accepted into Naval Academy; Thanked Mayor and Council, Staff and Co-Workers and Announced Retirement and Running for Mayor |
| DPS Director Witte      | * Recycling Posters from Anderson School Student, Saturday April 30th   |
| Mayor Brown             | * Commended and Congratulated Reporter Anne Sullivan on her Upcoming Wedding and Relocation   |

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

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|----------------|---|
| William Jasman | * Exchange Club Spaghetti Dinner, May 1 <sup>st</sup> ; Soroptimist Derby Day, May 7 <sup>th</sup> ; Relay for Life, June 4-5 <sup>th</sup> ; and DTE Chili Christmas, June 8th |
| Nate Steman    | * Community Bloggers Wanted for <a href="http://www.trenton.patch.com">www.trenton.patch.com</a>  |

**MOTION TO ADJOURN** by Councilperson Gillespie, seconded by Councilperson Baun-Crooks, at 8:54 p.m.

APPROVED BY:

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GERALD R BROWN, MAYOR

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KYLE F. STACK, CITY CLERK

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

**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

1. THE GUIDANCE CENTER: Letter of Appreciation for Payment. (04/08/2011)
2. DPS: Transfer Station Information. (04/18/2011)
3. DPS: Energy Optimization Project Funds Reserved. (04/14/2011)
4. STATE OF MICHIGAN: Notice of Hearing, DTE Case U-16574. (05/12/2011)