VILLAGE OF SPARTA

COUNCIL BUSINESS SESSION OF JULY 11, 2016

Held at Sparta Township Chambers, 160 East Division, Sparta MI

1-2. The meeting was called to order by President Kristi Dougan at 7:00 pm followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Roll Call: Council persons Robert Whalen, Jayne Paasch, Gale Taylor, William Taylor, Harold Woolworth, Scott Christie Kristi Dougan, and Village Manager Julius Suchy.

4. Additions or corrections to Business and Consent Agendas:

Consent Agenda:

a. Approve Regular Village Council Meeting Minutes of June 13, 2016

b. Accept Downtown Development Authority Minutes of June 14, 2016

c. Accept Planning Commission Minutes of July 5, 2016

d. Accept SRA Committee Minutes of June 2, 2016

e. Resolution #16-16: A Resolution to Appoint Mr. Harold Woolworth to

the Personnel/Public Safety Committee

f. Resolution #16-17: A Resolution to Appoint Scott Christie as President Pro

Tempore

5. Approval of Consent AND Business Agendas:

Moved by Whalen, supported by Gale Taylor, to approve Business and Consent Agendas with corrections. Motion carried 7-0.

6. Public Comment for Agenda Items:

Please note: This Public Comment portion of the meeting is reserved for comment on agenda items.

7. Public Hearing: None

8. Old Business: None

9. New Business:

a. Consider Buy-Sell Agreement to Purchase Rodeo Ground Property (2380 and 2500 13

Mile Road). Brian Jones representing Natural Foods gave a presentation on bringing

in a wholesale and retail warehouse. He will be bringing approximately 50 employees

from their other location and would anticipate adding 50 new jobs. The offer as

presented is for $725,000 and requires that the buyer be responsible for running

sanitary sewer to the site and the sale is contingent upon the buyer receiving a tax

abatement for the new facility, zoning approval and completion of their due

diligence.

Moved by Gale Taylor, supported by Woolworth to consider Buy-

Agreement to purchase Rodeo Ground Property (2380 and 2500 13 Mile Road).

Roll call vote for Buy-Sell Agreement to Purchase Rodeo Ground Property (2380 and

2500 13 Mile Road). Christie – Yes, Dougan – Yes, Paasch – Yes, Gale Taylor – Yes,

William Taylor – No, Whalen – Yes, Woolworth – Yes. Motion carried 6-1.

b. Motion to Approve Property Swap Transfer Request from Cellar Brewing Company.

The Village would transfer approximately 421 sq. ft. to Michigan Beer Cellar LLC and

Michigan Beer Cellar LLC would transfer approximately 320 sq. ft. to the Village.

Moved by Whalen, supported by William Taylor to approve Property Swap Transfer

from Cellar Brewing Company. Motion carried 7-0

c. Resolution #16-18: A Resolution Authorizing the Sale of the Real Property

Located at 1750 12 Mile Rd. This property was donated to the Village by Old

Orchard. The Village will be selling it to Cascade Die Casting for $65,000.

Moved by Whalen, supported by Paasch to Adopt Resolution #16-18.

Motion carried 7-0.

d. Consider Recommendation from Prein & Newhof to approve E. Averill/S. Union

Sparta Middle School Change Order #2 for a reduction of $3,816.66 and Pay

Application #3 in the Amount of $36,937.80 for Dean’s Landscaping and Excavating.

Moved by Gale Taylor, supported by Whalen to approve E. Averill/S. Union Sparta

Middle School Change Order #2 for a reduction of $3,816.66 and Pay Application #3

in the amount of $36,937.80 for Dean’s Landscaping and Excavating.

Motion carried 7-0.

e. Consider Recommendation from Prein & Newhof to approve Anderson St.

Change Order #2 for a reduction of $5,542.60 and Pay Application #3 in the

Amount of $290,761.31 for McCormick Sand Inc.

Moved by Paasch, supported by William Taylor to approve Anderson St. Change

Order #2 for a reduction of $5,542.60 and Pay Application #3 in the amount of

$290,761.31 for McCormick Sand Inc. Motion carried 7-0.

f. Assessment of Facilities Update – Gary Nestle, Infrastructure Alternatives.

Gary gave an update on Assessment of Facilities based on the first year of

Infrastructure Alternatives operations.

g. Consider Proposal from Infrastructure Alternatives to replace Stand Alone

Single HVAC Unit for Control Room for an amount not to exceed

$6,825.00.

Moved by Whalen, supported by Gale Taylor to approve proposal from

Infrastructure Alternatives to replace Stand Alone Single HVAC Unit for Control

Room for an amount not to exceed $6,825.00. Motion carried 7-0.

h. Ordinance #16-02: An Ordinance to Permit Height Exceptions in all Districts.

Moved by Paasch, supported by Woolworth to adopt Ordinance #16-02.

Motion carried 7-0.

i. Ordinance #16-03: An Ordinance to Amend Fence Regulations.

Moved by Christie, supported by Paasch to adopt Ordinance #16-03.

Motion carried 7-0.

j. Motion to approve purchase of 2016 Police Cruiser from Gorno Ford for an

amount not to exceed $24,490.00.

Moved by Woolworth, supported by Gale Taylor to approve purchase of 2016

Police Cruiser from Gorno Ford for an amount not to exceed $24,490.00.

Motion carried 7-0.

k. Motion to Authorize Village Manager to award lawn mower bid for an amount not

to exceed $10,000.

Moved by Whalen, supported by Christie to approve Village Manager to award

lawn mower bid for an amount not to exceed $10,000. Motion carried 7-0.

l. Volunteer for Civic Center Parking Lot Committee

President Dougan had asked for a volunteer for Civic Center Parking Lot and

Scott Christie volunteered.

10. Committee Reports

11. Village Manager Report:

12. Communications:

Gardner Richmond of 1389 Indian Lakes Road, Sparta, is working on his Eagle Scout

Badge and he will be working with Mrs. Blackhall on landscaping Nash Creek and

making a United States Map for Rogers Park.

13. Payment of Bills:

Approval of Accounts Payable and Fund Transfers.

Moved by William Taylor, supported by Paasch, to approve Accounts Payable and Fund Transfers. Motion carried 7-0.

14. Public Comment: None.

15. Executive Session: None.

16. Council Member Announcements:

Councilmember Gale Taylor provided the Village Council Members with a hand out showing a picture of “In God We Trust” on a bumper of a police cruiser. He would like our cruiser to have them and would like to pay for them. Village Manager Suchy said that he would need to check with our attorney and will add it on the agenda for our next Village Council Meeting on August 8th.

Our Councilmember were reminded that on Wednesday, July 13, 2016 at 6:00 pm to bring 2 watermelons and a knife for Town & Country Days in Rogers Park.

Village Manager Suchy will be on vacation July 18 thru 22. He will be back on the office on July 25 and 26 and will be leaving on July 27 for a conference for 2 days.

17. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned by President Dougan at 8:38 p.m. by executive privilege.

Pam Buchanan

Sparta Village Clerk