

**MINUTES
ST. CLAIR SHORES CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 19, 2019**

Regular Meeting of the City Council, held in the Council Chambers, located at 27600 Jefferson Avenue., St. Clair Shores, Michigan.

Present: Mayor Kip C. Walby, Council Members Peter Accica, John Caron, Ronald Frederick, Peter Rubino, Candice Rusie and Chris Vitale

Also Present: City Manager Michael Smith, City Clerk Mary Kotowski, Directors Henry Bowman and Chris Rayes, Chief Todd Woodcox and City Attorney Robert Ihrle

1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Walby called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Ms. Kotowski, City Clerk, called the roll, and a quorum was present. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

2. PROCLAMATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

a. Dana Scott Paladino

Mayor Walby presented the following proclamation to Mr. Paladino:

PROCLAMATION
to
Dana Scott Paladino

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council of the City of St. Clair Shores deem it fitting and proper to publicly recognize the contributions to our City by DANA SCOTT PALADINO on his retirement from the St. Clair Shores Parks and Recreation Commission after 30 years of volunteer service; and

WHEREAS, DANA has lived in the City since 1973, and he and his wife, Brenda, raised four children, Dana Scott, Jr., Jason, Tracy and Shawn, are blessed with 10 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren; and

WHEREAS, DANA was appointed to the Parks and Recreation Commission on November 22, 1988 for which he is now retiring after 30 years of service so the next generation can take over; and

WHEREAS, during this time he has seen significant improvements to our baseball fields and parks and DANA was instrumental in the construction of the 12 clay-lined Horseshoe Pits at Kyte Monroe Park bringing another recreation activity for our residents which resulted in the formation of the Saint Clair Shores Horseshoe Club; and

WHEREAS, DANA's love of baseball goes back to his days as a 1976 Old Gordon Baseball League member which made him a natural asset to the Parks and Recreation Commission where he spearheaded the merger of six of the seven baseball leagues in St. Clair Shores forming the St. Clair Shores Baseball Softball Association (SCSBSA); he served the SCSBSA as Vice President from 1984 to 1994, then as President from 1995 to 1999; and finally retired from baseball in 1999 after 23 years;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council of the City of St. Clair Shores, on behalf of all our residents, wish to convey to DANA SCOTT PALADINO our sincere appreciation for over 30 years of dedicated volunteer service to our City.

Presented this 19th day of February 2019.

b. Women's Civic League - This item has been moved to the first meeting in March.

Item 2 (Cont'd):**c. Memorial Day Parade**

Cheryl Furdos, Memorial Day Parade Committee Chair, spoke about the 67th Annual Memorial Day Parade which is May 26, 2019. It is being held on Jefferson this year. Dave Rubello, Memorial Day Parade Committee member, spoke regarding the upcoming fundraisers including the spaghetti dinner and the \$100 Club.

3. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION ON AGENDA ITEMS (2 MINUTE TIME LIMIT)

Jim Goodfellow, St. Clair Shores resident, spoke regarding agenda items #4a and #4b.

4. BIDS/CONTRACTS/PURCHASE ORDERS –**a. Police Department Request to Purchase a 3D Laser Scanner**

Background: This item could not go out for official bid due to the uniqueness of the product. We did get another quote from a competitor that provides similar technology. FARO's complete package is by far less expensive.

We currently use computer software that is licensed by FARO and will interface with the new unit. All data collection and storage are accomplished via publicly available SD cards. The competitor's unit requires proprietary storage cards which cost over \$100.00 per use.

The FARO scanner has been used in St. Clair Shores by other local departments while assisting our department. This has given us a first-hand account on its use and the end product it creates.

This product will be purchased with funds from our Federal DLEF account. The second FARO quote for \$63,884.70 verifies the savings of \$10,679.75 we are receiving by purchasing in the month of February.

Chief Woodcox explained that our current equipment does not work and cannot be repaired. This piece of equipment is not a necessity, but he thinks it is very important to have. This will save money on overtime and offer the convenience of opening roads much more quickly. There will be no extra fees for the first 4 years. This can be used at fire scenes as well.

Moved by Council Member Frederick, and supported by Council Member Rusie to approve the Police Department purchase of a 3D Laser Scanner Focus S70 from FARO for \$53,204.95 using DLEF Account Funds.

Ayes: All – 7

b. Adoption of Golf Course Restaurant Contract with Crank's Catering as reviewed by the City Attorney

Crank's Services was awarded the bid for the Golf Course Restaurant at the 12/3/2018 Council Meeting. The item is back for formal approval of the contract.

After the interview process, the committee determined that it was in the best interest of the City to accept the proposal from Crank's Services. Crank's Services has over 25 years of experience in the food and beverage industry. Their experience in catering and banquets, liquor license management along with their specific understanding in managing Golf Course restaurants makes them an ideal fit for our food and beverage operations. They come highly recommended by Fieldstone Golf Club (City of Auburn Hills) and Oakland University Golf and Learning Center. Crank's has also obtained the contract to provide services in the Metro Parks again, beginning in 2020.

Ms. Rusie pointed out that the terms of operation went from 10 years to 10 years with a possible 5 year extension. The contract they approved in December had already changed the 5 year term to a 10 year term, and now they are going for a 10 year term with a 5 year term extension.

Mr. Smith explained that these terms are only if both parties agree. If we are happy with the contract, we would like the ability to keep them. Ultimately, tonight a 10 year contract is being approved. We can still do an RFP after 10 years. There is the option by mutual consent to extend the agreement for 5 additional 1 year periods.

Item 4 (Cont'd):

Moved by Council Member Frederick, and supported by Council Member Caron to award a 10 year contract to Crank's Services for running the Food and Beverage Operations at the St. Clair Shores Golf Club.

Ayes: Frederick, Caron, Accica, Rubino, Vitale, Walby
 Nay: Rusie

5. **CONSENT AGENDA** – All items listed on the consent agenda are considered to be routine and will be enacted by one motion and approved by a vote of City Council. There will be no separate discussion of the items unless the Mayor and or a Council Member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the general order of business and considered under the last item of the Consent Agenda.

Moved by Council Member Caron supported by Council Member Frederick to approve the Consent Agenda items a – g as follows:

a. **Bills**

February 7, 2019 \$1,948,467.55

Resolved to approve the release of checks in the amount of \$1,948,467.55 for services rendered, of the report that is 21 pages in length, and of the grand total amount of \$1,948,467.55, \$213,372.98 went to other taxing authorities.

b. **Fees**

Resolved that the following Fees be approved as presented:

Kirk, Lange, Huth, & Badalamenti	\$1,125.00
Ihrie O'Brien	\$8,754.58

c. **Progress Payments - None**

d. **Approval of Minutes**

Resolved that the following Minutes be approved as presented:

<u>Minutes</u>	<u>Meeting Date</u>
City Council	February 4, 2019

e. **Receive & File Boards, Commissions & Committee Minutes**

Resolved that the following minutes be received and filed:

<u>Minutes</u>	<u>Meeting Date</u>
Historical Commission	January 8, 2019
Water Resources & Advisory Board	December 4, 2018
Zoning Board of Appeals	January 10, 2019

f. **Request by Lake Shore, Lakeview, South Lake, L'Anse Creuse, Macomb Intermediate and Macomb Community College school districts to levy 100% of their 2019 tax levy on July 1, 2019**

Resolved that the City levy 100% of the 2019 school taxes on the Summer Tax bill for Lake Shore, Lakeview, South Lake, L'Anse Creuse, Macomb Intermediate and Macomb Community College school districts as presented.

g. **Request to deny claim of T. Gray, etal v St. Clair Shores etal and refer to City Attorney for response**

Resolved to deny claim of T. Gray, etal v St. Clair Shores etal and refer to City Attorney for response.

Ayes: All – 7

6. UPDATES AND FOLLOW-UPS FROM COUNCIL MEETING

- **Salt Usage** - We are in the process of putting together this information.
- **Proclamation/Citgo** - This will be presented at the March 4th meeting.
- **Sump Pump option** - This has been reviewed with HRC. They will provide a write up with options.
- **Jefferson/Shipping Container** - This should be removed shortly. Violations will be issued should this remain on site for an extended period of time.
- **Milner/Vacant House** - Code enforcement has been alerted to this. The City does not determine ownership of personal watercraft, and the watercrafts are properly stored. No violations were issued.

7. COMMENTS BY INDIVIDUAL COUNCILPERSONS

Council Member Accica spoke about our new Congressman Andy Levin. He will have a liaison for St. Clair Shores residents.

He spoke about the Wyatt House fundraiser being held 2/20/2019.

Mayor Walby took a moment to congratulate Ms. Kotowski for her recent appointment to Secretary of State Benson's Election Modernization Committee. This is her fifth appointment to a committee by a Secretary of State.

Council Member Rusie explained why the Women's Civic League was not able to attend this meeting and spoke about their 2019 scholarship contest. They will be at the March 4th Council meeting.

She spoke about how nice the Daddy Daughter Dance was and thanked the Parks and Recreation Department for doing such a good job.

She would like to make it a priority to review our Fireworks ordinance.

She inquired about where we stand on reviewing the Consumers Energy ordinance. Mayor Walby said Mr. Ihrie is working on this, and it will be on the March 4th agenda.

Council Member Rubino asked if the cars parked on Playview during the snow emergency were ticketed. Also, traffic at Greater Mack and Playview is a mess when school lets out. This needs to be looked at.

What is going on with the lot on Jefferson that was donated to us? Mr. Smith said the sign is done and the website should be ready this week.

Council Member Caron announced the SCS Hockey Association teams which won districts and the teams that are going to state tournaments this year.

He asked for an update on the Senior Center repairs. Mr. Smith said the grease trap issue is resolved, and the circulation issue is being worked on.

Mr. Caron would like to know how these items were missed when JCI was doing their review of our facilities.

He announced the Budget Workshop on Saturday, February 23rd.

He would like residents to remember when they are making their charitable donations that St. Clair Shores has many local charities.

Council Member Frederick asked about police officer testing. Mr. Smith said the exam is complete, and five applicants passed the written portion. Interviews have been scheduled.

Mr. Frederick congratulated Ms. Kotowski on her appointment, and he congratulated Dana Paladino on the recognition he received this evening.

He spoke about some of the fundraisers going on around the City and made several Library announcements.

Council Member Vitale asked Mr. Rayes about a property on Winshall that he reported. Mr. Rayes said he gave this to one of our inspectors to investigate.

Item 7 (Cont'd):

Mr. Vitale asked what the requirements are to sell beer and liquor at a gas station. Mr. Smith said that requires a package liquor license. The City does not have input for this type of license.

Mr. Vitale asked when on street parking permits expire. Chief Woodcox said he believes they expire on March 1st. Each year the permit is a different color. If there is a problem area with expired permits, please contact the Police Department, and they will check it out.

The Budget Meeting is at the Golf Course, and it is open to public.

Mr. Vitale asked if we pretreat our roads before predicted storms. Mr. Smith said all of our trucks now have brine sprayers. Using beet juice was gumming up our sprayers. We can reinvestigate the process if Council wishes.

Mr. Vitale suggested we contact Farmington Hills regarding their process. Mr. Smith will have Mr. Babcock contact Farmington Hills.

8. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT- None

9. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION (5 MINUTE TIME LIMIT)

Paul Desjardins, Grand Knight for the Knights of Columbus, spoke about the upcoming Blue Mass for first responders.

10. MAYOR'S COMMENTS - None

11. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Council Member Caron, supported by Council Member Frederick to adjourn at 8:15 p.m.

Ayes: All – 7

KIP C. WALBY, MAYOR

MARY A. KOTOWSKI, CITY CLERK

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