

August 17, 2020

Gladwin, Michigan

The Regular Meeting of the Gladwin City Council was held the Gladwin City Park Pavilion #2 in Gladwin Michigan and was called to order by Mayor Darlene Jungman at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Bodnar, Caffrey, Crawford, Darlington, Gardner, Kile, Smith, Winarski

Absent: None

Staff Present: Christopher Shannon, Bernadette Weaver, Angela Bigham

Also Present: County Commissioner Ron Taylor, Brandon Dorsey, Alan Donaldson, Kathleen Lennon, Laura Maveal, Zachary Schmidt, Brad Withrow, Don Kehoe, Heather Newton and several others

Mayor Jungman led the Pledge of Allegiance and Pastor Brandon Dorsey gave the invocation.

Motion by Council Member Gardner, supported by Council Member Crawford to approve the minutes from the Regular Council Meeting on August 3, 2020 with the correction of the City Park truck purchase amount. It was twenty-five hundred (\$2500.00). All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Motion by Council Member Caffrey, supported by Council Member Bodnar to approve warrant #21-004 in the amount of \$96,210.46 and payroll ending 8/9/2020 in the amount of \$33,636.46. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Hearing of Delegations: County Clerk Laura Brandon reported on the canvasser report and the City received a good report on the Primary Election. There were a few minor issues, but it did not change the vote. County Commissioner Ron Taylor reported the distribution center at Sacred Heart Activity Center will be closing on August 28, 2020. Any remaining products will be given to the local charity groups. FEMA has now received five hundred and eighty-one (581) application. To date three hundred (300) has gotten a good response. FEMA is currently at the fair grounds to help assist. Secord and Billings Fire Departments do not have water resources to help aid them in the event of a fire. Trying to pursue avenues to put in eight (8) inch wells, that can produce four hundred and fifty (450) gallons a minute at both locations. Will start to take bids this Friday for repairs to Chapple Dam. The south wall, where the water was getting through, will have a 2 ½ foot wall with a berm added and an electronic tainter gate installed. The current tainter gate is manual and the new electronic one will have the ability to raise higher to release more water if needed.

Establish Agenda: Motion by Council Member Caffrey, supported by Council Member Bodnar to approve the agenda with the addition to adding ORV Fun Run under new business. All Ayes. Motion Carried.

Consent Agenda: Motion by Council Member Darlington, supported by Council Member Caffrey to approve the Consent Agenda as follows: a. Communications: i.) Charter Communication-Upcoming Changes ii.) Consumers Energy Case No. U-20234 & U-20844 iii.) Historical Society News iv.) USDA Rural Business Development Grant Scope of Work). b. Meetings: i.) Gladwin City Housing Commission- July 14, 2020. All Ayes. Motion Carried

City Administrator Christopher Shannon spoke on the USDA Rural Business Development Grant Scope of Work and stated this was for information. No vote is needed by Council. The City will receive seventy-five thousand (\$75,000.00) dollars which will go towards new city entrance signs, partial dollars for the GBPA speaker system, partial dollars for the light pole work, and if there are remaining dollars, it will go towards the way-find signs.

Public Comment: None

Old Business: a.) Lew Bender. City Administrator Christopher Shannon stated the Council was scheduled to meet on September 3, 2020 and he has been informed by Mayor Darlene Jungman she will not participate in the workshop. Dr. Bender is not in favor of doing the work shop if everyone is not willing to participate. Dr. Bender stated in his experience it could make matters worse. What is the feel from the Council on how to proceed? Pro-Tem Council Member Michael Smith stated, if City Administrator Christopher Shannon recommendation to postpone because it could make matters worse, we should look into postponing. Council Member Winarski asked to find out what it makes matters worse and is disappointed the workshop is not taking place. Council Member Caffrey feels this would be a good training, need to make sure we are doing it right. Still would like to see it take place. Council Member Bodnar agreed. Council Member Gardner asked if Dr. Bender would still meet face to face with individuals. City Administrator Christopher Shannon stated he would. Council Member Darlington stated to let Dr. Bender know the current date will not work and the whole groups needs to be available. Make another attempt to have everyone attend and find another date that will work for everyone. Council Member Winarski and Council Member Crawford both agree with Council Member Darlington.

New Business: a.) Disc Golf Recommendation: City Administrator Christopher Shannon stated the City has been working on a disc gold course for some time. It started with project Riding Tide and the community input. The former and new Parks & Recreation Commission are looking for an affirmative vote from Council the proceed. While it was approved previously, the plans for the disc golf have changed slightly and need to the approve the current plan. Devere Denning plans on covering the cost for the disc golf course. Parks & Recreation Member Alan Donaldson brought the Council up to speed and stated there were goals for the parks. The first was to expand outdoor activities, the disc golf course is a start. Discussion followed. Motion by Council Member Kile, supported by Council Member Darlington to approve the plan presented by Alan Donaldson and the proceed with the disc golf course. All Ayes. Motion Carried. b.) Appointment-Zoning Board of Appeals. Tabled, due to the Mayor absence. c.) Boards & Commissions. City Administrator Christopher Shannon stated the document for was information to help understand how each board or commission is set up and can be used for a guide. Also thanked Zoning & Assessing Administrator Bernadette Weaver for her work in compiling the document. Still gathering information to complete the Trail Authority, that is why it is highlighted in yellow. No vote is needed. d.) ORV Fun Run. City Clerk Marietta Andrist stated the ORV Fun Run is scheduled to take place on August 22, 2020 and the permit was submitted for the street closure and MODT and has returned the approval. Seeking approval from the Council to proceed. Discussion followed. Motion by Council Member Caffrey, supported Council Member Kile to approve the street closure for the ORV Fun Run. All ayes. Motioned Carried.

Council Member Comments- Pro-Tem Council Member Smith wishes the Mayor well and reminded everyone of the meeting this Thursday, August 20, 2020 at 5:00pm Council Member Crawford thanked DeVere Dennings, the Parks Commission and everyone who helped with the disc golf course. Council Member Gardner thanked DeVere Dennings and the Parks Commission for their work with the disc golf Also stated the American Legion is having the Boy Scouts at North Park for a sleep over. They will be running the trails, fixing and repairing. The date is not yet set. Council Member Bodnar thanked DeVere Dennings for stepping up and helping with the disc golf project. Also stated, still working on fixing roads at the cemetery. Council Member Darlington reminded everyone of the join annual meeting coming up on Tuesday, August 25, 2020 at 5:15pm right here at the City Park pavilion. Council Member Caffrey thanked Don Kehoe for all his years of service, work is under appreciated. Council Member Kile stated good job to City Clerk Marietta Andrist for the elections. Remember to register with FEMA if you were near the flood areas. Many are experiencing well issues. If this spreads out further and you not registered FEMA will not help. They could if you register. As stated earlier, the distribution center is closing. You still can call 211 for help. Council Member Winarski thanked everyone who helped with the disc golf. Also stated the Housing Commission has seen impact from COVID-19, dial-a-ride numbers are down. The flooding will also impact house values, which will reduce tax dollars coming in and revenue will go down. The Housing Commissioners are looking at possible reductions and how to be creative finding other resource dollars. The Newsletter had a few errors. Number seven and ten had wrong information. The information should be checked to make sure it is correct. May need an article in the paper to clarify.

Administration Reports/Comments- City Administrator Christopher Shannon thanked City Clerk Marietta Andrist for her work. Is doing a great job. Him and Treasurer Angel Bigham attended a meeting last Wednesday with Congressman John Moolenaar, Bette Brand, from the USDA, State Representative Jason Wentworth. The focus was their support of FEMA response and rolled out what the UDS could do in response to the flood. Brought the Council up to date on working on the fund-raising policy, which is currently being reviewed by the City's lawyer. The Water Quality Report is being finalized. Did receive an extension for the reporting. Arcade Street is moving forward. Could save in the area of forty thousand (\$40,000.00) dollars. There is one manhole that is good condition and will not need to be replaced. Which would make the project cost at two hundred and thirty-five thousand dollars. (\$235,000.00). The Farmer's Market project has also started.

Motion by Council Member Caffrey, supported by Council Member Bodnar to adjourn.  
Motion Carried.

Meeting ended at 6:09p.m.

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Mayor Darlene Jungman

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Marietta Andrist, City Clerk