

July 20, 2015
Gladwin, Michigan

The Regular Meeting of the Gladwin City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomas Winarski at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Stout, Bodnar, Winarski, Jungman, Gardner, Crawford

Absent: Smith, Caffrey

Staff Present: Moffit, Weaver, Klein

Also Present: Pastor Brad Withrow

Mayor Winarski led the Pledge of Allegiance and the Invocation was given by Pastor Withrow.

Minutes approved as presented.

Motion by Council Member Crawford supported by Council Member Gardner to approve warrant #15-038 in the amount of \$158,101.55, warrant #15-039 in the amount of \$27,754.73 and warrant #16-002 in the amount of \$401,200.43 and payroll in the amount of \$ 56,635.30. All ayes. Motion carried.

Hearings of Delegations:

Pastor Withrow really likes the carvings and would like to see more of them. He is really liking the way town looks.

Motion by Council Member Jungman, supported by Council Member Stout to establish the agenda as presented.

Motion by Council Member Crawford, supported by Council Member Jungman to approve the Consent Agenda: Communications: i.) Charter Communications ii.) State of Michigan – Notice of Hearing – Consumers Energy Case No. U-17831 iii.) Gladwin County District Library Circulation Report iv.) State of Michigan – Notice of Hearing – Consumers Energy No. U-17868 v.) Gladwin County/Gladwin City Airport Agreement vi.) July 31 – Aug. 1 Fly-in vii.) QoE Consulting Newsletter Meetings: i.) Park Commission – June 22, 2015 ii.) Safety Committee – June 29, 2015 iii.) Fire Board – July 1, 2015 iv.) Arena Board – Library Board Joint Meeting – July 7, 2015 v.) Arena Board – July 14, 2015 vi.) DDA – July 15, 2015. With the addition of Communication of J.M.E. Consultants, Inc. McGladwin LLC vs City of Gladwin. All ayes. Motion carried.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Motion by Council Member Jungman, supported by Council Member Stout to approve casting a vote for six incumbent Trustees for the Michigan Municipal League Workers' Compensation Fund for a term of four (4) years as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Council Member Jungman, supported by Council Member Crawford to approve the contract with BioTech Agronomics, Inc. for testing, pumping, transportation and land application of biosolids from the Gladwin Waste Water Treatment Plant at a cost of \$14,000.00 for approximately 220,000 gallons. All ayes. Motion carried.

Motion by Council Member Stout, supported by Council Member Jungman to approve the State Street Project Progress Payment to Bilacic Trucking in the amount of \$312,567.60. All ayes. Motion carried

Comments:

Thomas Winarski - Chainsaw carver has completed the Eagle and Marvel Second. A preservative has been applied and will need to be continued to be applied to maintain the wood and keep cracking to a minimum. He stated that Art in the Park went well but the at the DDA meeting comments were made that there should be joint meeting of all groups involved to do joint advertising. It was also discussed at the DDA meeting about moving art in the park to main street. The diversity of activities is helpful to draw a wider range of people to downtown. There have been many comments that downtown looks good.

Lori Stout- Retro Roll went well. Movie had some trouble, but was finally able to be played. She has heard many good comments about how good town looks.

Nancy Bodnar – Really likes the eagle at the Health Department and would like to see more.

Roger Gardner - Thanked Dee & Nancy for helping at airport during the fly-in serving and taking tickets.

Dave Crawford – Town looks really good. He has noticed a lot people walking and sitting enjoying the look of town.

Dee Jungman – Tuesday's in the Park had 150 people at Gladwin High School due to weather conditions last Tuesday. Lynn was pleased with the turn out. Tim Rowley and 10 Mile Circle will be performing on July 21st. Fly-In at the Airport on July 31 and August 1 will have B-57 that will be giving tours, also several other planes. There is a great breakfast for \$6, from 8-11am. with blueberry pancakes, sausage coffee & juice. Asked everyone to try and come out and take a look.

Doug Jacobson – People have been impressed with how town looks. Friends of his mother's came to visit and said they liked how things looked and enjoyed Riverwalk.

Bernadette Weaver – Friends returning to the area commented on the improved appearance of town. She met a Japanese couple met on the trail, as people often stop her there, and asked about how long the trail is and they were very complimentary of what Gladwin has to offer. Bernie has not seen carvings in any of the northern Michigan towns she has visited and thinks the carvings may be a signature focal point for our town. Bernadette commented on the letter from J.M.E Consultants regarding the Tax Tribunal Appeal for McGladwin, LLC (Old Fruchey Market). These appeals are often pushed by the market. This has happened only a few other times. These appeals can be costly. An appraiser may cost about \$6000. We will have to weigh the situation, stipulate or carry through tribunal. The personal property information 7pgs difficult formula. New User tax will be billed by others, but assessor must understand. Exemption status case Dave & Bernie over a day legislative process causes more expense for the city. Commercial property not many sales we don't have access right away of income (rent) Easy for commercial to do appeals and only go directly to state for appeal. Few small claim reviews. Rite Aid, Apartments, and Crystal Flash.

Dan Svetcos – Thinks the carvings are a wonderful asset and he wants to purchase the brass plaque for the First Settler carving.

Robert Moffit – Joint meeting with the Gladwin County, July 27, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. at the Commissioners Chambers. If any questions please contact him prior to meeting. Politically the County board will be more diverse than our board. We need to keep EDC and Airport to help the area remain financially viable. Less dollars will make operating the airport more difficult. The DDA awarded Jeremy Loose of Loose Motors a Façade Grant for up to \$5,000 to help with asphalt paving. A presentation will be made on August 4th to multiple funding groups for the Gladwin County Trail Authority. Jackie Morgan of the USDA will be facilitating closing between the City and Gladwin District Library for the purchase of the Arena. This will happen before October 1st. DeVere Dennings has said that all 61 rooms are booked for all summer weekends but how do we get rooms during the week filled.

Motion by Council Member Crawford, supported by Council Member Bodnar to adjourn. All ayes. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Thomas Winarski, Mayor

Bonnie S. Klein, City Clerk