

A Regular Meeting of the Otsego City Commission was held Monday, June 1, 2020.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Trobeck at 7:00 p.m. with the following Commissioners present: Stacey Withee, Lauri Krueger, Brent Milhiem and Dustin McNees. Absent: None. Also present: City Manager Mitchell, and Fire Chief Weber.

The audience joined the Commission in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The May 18, 2020, Meeting Minutes were approved as submitted.

Commissioner McNees moved to remove an agenda item under Requests – Consideration of a Request for Modification of the City Manager’s Agreement, seconded by Commissioner Withee.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

None.

I. PRESENTATIONS:

A. COUNTY COMMISSIONER GALE DUGAN UPDATE

Commissioner Dugan gave an update on the most recent County Commission activities and updates regarding COVID-19. Mayor Trobeck expressed her appreciation for the way the County has handled COVID-19.

II. PUBLIC HEARING:

III. PLANNING AND ZONING:

A. CONSIDERATION OF A RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PLANNING COMMISSION FOR SITE PLAN APPROVAL FOR THE DDA/MAIN STREET RIVERFRONT PAVILION

Commissioner Withee moved to approve the Site Plan for the DDA/Main Street Riverfront Pavilion, as recommended by the Planning Commission, seconded by Commissioner Krueger.
CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

IV. ORDINANCES:

V. REQUESTS:

VI. AGREEMENTS:

VII. RESOLUTIONS:

A. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2020-13 -A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2020-2021 ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS BILL

City Manager Mitchell explained that the amendment will move funds into next year’s budget for the salt shelter at the DPW, as it will not be able to be completed before July 1, 2020.

Commissioner McNees offered the following resolution and moved for its adoption, seconded by Commissioner Milhiem.

CITY OF OTSEGO
ALLEGAN COUNTY, MICHIGAN
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-13

A RESOLUTION TO AMEND THE 2020-2021
ANNUAL APPROPRIATIONS BILL

WHEREAS, the Otsego City Commission approved the 2020-2021 Annual Appropriations Bill which limited amounts for expenditures and anticipated revenues for the 2020-2021 fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, certain activities and/or revenue sources will exceed previous projections; and

WHEREAS, the Otsego City Commission wishes to formally amend the annual appropriations bill in acknowledgement of the need for revisions,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Otsego City Commission hereby approves the following increases and decreases to the 2020-2021 Annual Appropriations Bill:

Capital Project Fund - Govt.		
401-901-975.441	Transfers In - General Fund	\$23,000
Net Increase/(Decrease)		\$23,000

YEAS: Commissioners: Cyndi Trobeck, Stacey Withee, Lauri Krueger, Brent Milhiem, and Dustin McNees.

NAYS: Commissioners: None.

ABSTAIN: Commissioners: None.

ABSENT: Commissioners: None.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

VIII. APPOINTMENTS:

IX. DISCUSSION ITEMS:

A. CITY MANAGER REVIEW

Mayor Trobeck commented that the City Manager Mitchell received a very good review. Commissioner McNees stated that City Manager Mitchell is doing a great job. Commissioner Krueger commented that City Manager Mitchell is going a good job. Commissioner Milhiem stated that City Manager Mitchell and the Commission has been faced with many challenges in his first two years that he has been here, he is a good person and he has handled all of the trying events great. Mayor Trobeck stated that she also received input from City employees on his review and it went over well. Mayor Trobeck stated that he started off at a difficult time and during his first year he had to deal with many difficulties. She thanked City Manager Mitchell.

MANAGER'S REPORT

1. He gave updates on the following:
 - Otsego Public School's Senior Parade.
 - Playground equipment.
 - COVID-19 update.
 - Discussion at Department Head Meeting – potential riots.
2. He asked for further questions or comments regarding his written Manager's Report submitted to the Commission in their weekly packet.

COMMUNICATIONS

None.

REMARKS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Pam McQueer, 372 Springbrook, Otsego & Michelle Kamp, 1573 108th, Otsego – they stated that the community is bored and having a place to get rid of negative energy would be great for our community. They proposed to have "Fitness in the Park" at Memorial Park. They indicated that they wanted to get permission from the Commission before they put their plan in place. They explained that it would include yoga, walking and fitness classes. They reviewed their proposal with the Commission. City Manager Mitchell advised them to contact Marcia Hukill at OPS for information regarding the use of the fields. They indicated that they would like to begin this in approximately two weeks and would be free to the public. Mayor Trobeck stated that it will be good for our community and thanked them.

A brief conversation took place regarding the opening of gyms and other businesses, with comments from Fire Chief/Officer Weber and Officer Gudith, who were in attendance.

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

Commissioner Milhiem – he commented that he is happy to hear that the State is slowly opening back up. He stated that he loves the creativity of our community, as they are always coming up with different ways to get the community involved, such as the senior parade and fitness in the park. He commented to be mindful of the rules and responsibilities, as we don't want a second wave and have to do this again. He thanked all of the Department Heads and City Staff for serving our community, and a special thank you to the Police Department for all they do for us.

Commissioner Withee – she thanked City Manager Mitchell for his hard work and congratulated him for an excellent review. She commented that she is excited to get back to the new normal. She thanked Pam McQueer and Michelle Kamp for their creativity for our community.

Commissioner Krueger – she thanked County Commissioner Dugan for his report. She thanked Holly McCaw and Otsego Public Schools for the fun parade and commented that this should be done every year. She thanked the Otsego Police Department and the Otsego Fire Department for their call volume because of the COVID-19 and also doing a diligent job. She thanked Pam McQueer and Michelle Kamp for the great idea of fitness in the park.

Commissioner McNees – he thanked the following people: Commissioner Dugan for his report. He thanked Pam McQueer and Michelle Kamp for their idea of fitness in the park. He thanked Police Chief Misner and the Otsego Police Department for their service. He commented that he is grateful for our Police Department and have respect for them.

Mayor Trobeck – she thanked County Commissioner Dugan for his report and for keeping the City up to date. She thanked the Fire Department and the Police Departments. She thanked the City in general – the Department Heads, City Manager Mitchell and all of the employees. She commented that there were no glitches in how the City was running during COVID-19. She commented that it was nice to meet in person and see everyone.

The meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Withee seconded by Commissioner McNees. CARRIED – 7:46 p.m.

Angela M. Cronen, MMC
City Clerk