

Present: President Mooney; President Pro-Tem Peddie; Members: Abboud, Delaney, Kelly, Mueller, and Oen

Absent: None

Also Present: Manager, Wilson
Assistant Manager/Clerk, Marshall
Village Attorney, Ryan
Public Safety Director, Torongeau

Council President Mooney called the regular Council meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. in the Village of Beverly Hills municipal building at 18500 W. Thirteen Mile Road. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

AMENDMENTS TO AGENDA/APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Oen, second by Peddie, to approve the agenda as published.

Motion passed.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Oen, second by Mueller, to approve the consent agenda as published.

1. Review and consider approval of minutes of a regular Council meeting held June 16, 2015.
2. Review and consider approval of minutes of a joint Council/Parks & Recreation Board meeting held June 18, 2015.
3. Review and consider approval of minutes of a special Council meeting held June 29, 2015.
4. Review and file bills recapped as of Monday, June 29, 2015.
5. Review and consider contribution to City of Birmingham for annual fireworks display on July 3, 2015.
6. Review and consider resolution proclaiming July as National Recreation and Parks month.
7. Review and consider resolution for West Nile Virus Fund expense reimbursement.
8. Set public hearing date of August 4, 2015 to receive comments on a proposed ordinance amending Chapter 22.32 Signs of the Municipal Code.

Motion passed.

REVIEW AND CONSIDER RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING LADIES OF CHARITY OF ST. VINCENT DEPAUL AS A NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

Kathi Tauscher, Chapter President of Ladies of Charity, presented an overview of the charitable activities in which the organization engages. The group incorporated 50 years ago, originally in the basement of a Beverly Hills residence. The two main charitable endeavors are a clothes closet and food bank. The group has since moved from Beverly Hills to a location in Bloomfield due to space constraints. Through partnerships with 50 agencies across Oakland County, they provide food and clothing to approximately 20,000 individuals and 5,000 families per year. As part of their 50th celebration, they are hosting a gala event in September during which they plan to have a raffle that will require a gaming license from the state of Michigan. To obtain such a license, the organization must be recognized as a nonprofit.

Motion by Oen, second by Abboud, that the Village of Beverly Hills Council recognizes the Ladies of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul of Beverly Hills, County of Oakland, as a nonprofit organization operating in the community for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license.

Kelly inquired why nonprofit recognition from the City of Bloomfield wasn't sought, since the group no longer operates out of Beverly Hills. Tauscher clarified the organization must seek recognition from the community in which they incorporated.

Roll Call Vote:
Motion passed (7 – 0).

REVIEW AND CONSIDER ANNUAL FUNDING REQUEST AND CONTRACT FROM BIRMINGHAM YOUTH ASSISTANCE FOR FY2015/2016 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,000

Representatives Nikki Keller, Case Worker, and Richard Stasys, Treasurer, presented background information on the work of Birmingham Youth Assistance (BYA). The organization is sponsored by Oakland County Circuit Court Family Division, the Birmingham School District, and the communities of Birmingham, Beverly Hills, Bingham Farms and Franklin.

Keller discussed counseling casework services and outlined program procedures. She works with kids from ages 7-17 in the area of prevention and counseling on a referral basis. All children within the greater Birmingham School District are eligible for services. BYA, in collaboration with the Birmingham Bloomfield Community Coalition, has also hosted educational events in the community.

Stasys announced that the Birmingham Youth Assistance is entering its 54th year of providing services and programs to the Birmingham School District youth and families. Stasys emphasized the benefits received from BYA preventative services. In addition, the organization boasts a recidivism rate of 92% based on an independent longitudinal study.

Abboud inquired about the average number of cases and the methodology used to determine the amount of support BYA requests of sponsoring partners. Kelly questioned the request for additional funding. Stasys explained increases were asked of all partners. Council members

expressed their appreciation for outreach to the community and programs offered by Birmingham Youth Assistance.

Motion by Oen, second by Delaney, that the Council for the Village of Beverly Hills approve the funding request of Birmingham Youth Assistance in the amount of \$8,000 for the provision of youth and family services; further, that Administration be directed to sign the contract document providing for this continuing community service.

Roll Call Vote:
Motion passed (7 – 0).

REVIEW AND APPROVE HUBBELL, ROTH & CLARK INVOICES FOR PAYMENT

Motion by Oen, second by Mueller, to allow Council member Kelly to abstain from voting on the invoices received from Hubbell, Roth & Clark based on the financial relationship of her employer with the vendor.

Motion passed.

Motion by Oen, second by Peddie, that the Village of Beverly Hills Council approve the invoices submitted by Hubbell, Roth & Clark Inc. for professional services in the amount of \$19,083.75 for the period ending June 4, 2015.

Roll Call Vote:
Motion passed (6 yes – 0 no – 1 abstention).

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Alda Marie McCook, 19370 Riverside, expressed gratitude to the Village Council and Administration for prompt response to concerns about Riverside center line stripes.

Sharon Tischler, 21415 Virmar Court, noted the absence of discussion of improvements to 13 Mile Road in connection with the proposed development at 19600 13 Mile Road, Tremont Lane, at the Planning Commission meeting held June 24, 2015.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Erity Dam Update - Village Manager Chris Wilson stated that Dan Mitchell, Hubbell, Roth & Clarks, and Tom Meszler, Director of Public Services, will be meeting with representatives from the DEQ on Wednesday, July 8th to finalize details for the emergency permit required to divert flow from the damaged right spillway.

Tremont Land Public Hearing – A public hearing will be held at the regular Council meeting of July 21, 2015. Wilson conveyed that 13 Mile Road improvements were discussed previously by the Planning Commission and as part of the engineering review. The developer has agreed to modifications proposed by the Village.

July 4th Holiday – Wilson reminded residents the state law allowing residents to discharge fireworks is limited to the day before, day of, and day after a Federal holiday.

Wilson recapped a story broadcast on Michigan Radio about Beverly Hills Public Safety Officer Tom Danielson and his efforts to aide a veteran, Eric Thompson, in accessing assistance through Michigan's Veterans Court in lieu of criminal prosecution.

COUNCIL COMMENTS

Abboud stated the Zoning Board of Appeals and Planning Commission meetings will both be held this month. At a recent SEMCOG meeting, he volunteered to serve on their regional clearing house review committee which oversees federal and state assistance applications and selects projects for annual funding through the transportation alternative program.

Delaney reiterated concerns about 13 Mile Road at the Tremont Lane development. He inquired about a reserve fund disbursement from the Birmingham Area Cable Board.

Council members thanked the City of Birmingham and the police officers for the Fourth of July fireworks display that was safe and enjoyable.

Mooney voiced satisfaction with the playground improvement of newly placed woodchips. He stated the Park Rangers are working hard to maintain Beverly Park. Mooney praised former 46th District Court Judge William Richards and wished him well on his retirement. He expressed sadness at the passing of former Council member Gerald Gorcyca and honored his efforts on the Council during his tenure.

Motion by Oen, second by Abboud, to adjourn the meeting at 8:14 pm.

Motion passed.

John Mooney
Council President

Ellen Marshall
Village Clerk

Erin Wilks
Recording Secretary