

REGULAR MINUTES
PERE MARQUETTE DEPOT
Tuesday, June 17, 2008

A meeting of the City Council of the City of Belding, Michigan was convened in open and public session at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, June 17, 2008.

The City Clerk took the roll call:

Members Present: Council Members Bunce, Wills, Satterlee and Husted.

Members Absent: Council Member Stout.

Council Member Satterlee made a motion to excuse Council Member Stout from the meeting, per Section 4.5(f) of the City Charter, supported by Council Member Bunce.

Ayes: Council Members Bunce, Wills, Satterlee and Husted.

Nays: None.

Council Member Satterlee delivered the invocation.

The Mayor led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Member Bunce made a motion to amend the agenda by adding Consent Agenda Item D - Temporary Street Closure and removing Business Agenda Item B – Library, supported by Council Member Wills.

Ayes: Council Members Bunce, Wills, Satterlee and Husted.

Nays: None.

The Mayor called for the City Manager's Report – noted and filed.

City Manager DeBruine stated that the loan from USDA for the Library project was for \$2.8M. That amount was not needed for the project which was under budget, leaving a balance of \$514,000. That will reduce the principal amount on payments due in 2018 and onward by \$514,000, therefore lowering interest payments. Another \$158,000 is needed to apply to the principal beginning in 2009. The \$514,000 needs Building Authority approval. The \$158,000 needs Building Authority and City Council approval for that paydown. The attorney is working on the issues. The reason for reducing the principal payment in 2018 and onward is because the Library millage expires in 2017. They hope the millage is approved by the general electorate, but if not, there would not be as much debt service in those years.

Council Member Wills asked, regarding the vagueness on the liquor licenses, would there really be only three licenses?

City Manager DeBruine stated that the city always had four, but any of the four could go elsewhere in the county.

Council Member Wills asked if there would be a report on the Tol building at the next meeting?

City Manager DeBruine stated that he would try to have a report.

Mayor Husted stated that they probably need to act quickly as Mr. Tol has had a considerable amount of time to deal with the eyesore. He should do it, or the city should take action.

The Mayor called for the Consent Agenda.

- A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES 6/3/08
- B. MUSEUM BOARD APPOINTMENT – SALZMAN
- C. MUSEUM BOARD APPOINTMENT – FORTH
- D. TEMPORARY STREET CLOSURE

Council Member Bunce made a motion to approve the consent agenda, supported by Council Member Satterlee.

The question on the motion was called and the result of the voting is as follows:

Ayes: Council Members Bunce, Wills, Satterlee and Husted.
Nays: None.

Following are the resolutions contained in the Consent Agenda.

B. MUSEUM BOARD APPOINTMENT – SALZMAN

CITY OF BELDING
RESOLUTION NO. 2008-06-30

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELDING, MICHIGAN
APPOINTING HELEN SALZMAN TO THE MUSEUM ADVISORY BOARD.

WHEREAS, the term of office for Helen Salzman on the Museum Advisory Board has expired;
and

WHEREAS, Helen Salzman has indicated that she is interested in serving another term on the
board; and

WHEREAS, the Museum Advisory Board members have recommended the appointment of
Helen Salzman to the board.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Belding, Michigan

that Helen Salzman be appointed to the Museum Advisory Board with a term to expire on 6/17/11.

C. MUSEUM BOARD APPOINTMENT - FORTH

CITY OF BELDING
RESOLUTION NO. 2008-06-31

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELDING, MICHIGAN
APPOINTING JANE FORTH TO THE MUSEUM ADVISORY BOARD.

WHEREAS, the term of office for Jane Forth on the Museum Advisory Board will expire on June 21, 2008; and

WHEREAS, Jane Forth has indicated that she is interested in serving another term on the board; and

WHEREAS, the Museum Advisory Board members have recommended the appointment of Jane Forth to the board.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Belding, Michigan that Jane Forth be appointed to the Museum Advisory Board with a term to expire on 6/17/11.

D. TEMPORARY STREET CLOSURE

CITY OF BELDING
RESOLUTION NO. 2007-06-33

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELDING, MICHIGAN
AUTHORIZING THE REQUEST TO TEMPORARILY CLOSE DESIGNATED CITY
STREETS FOR THE SILK CITY RHYTHMS EVENT.

WHEREAS, a request was received to temporarily close the following streets for the Silk City Rhythms event on June 24, 2008:

East Ann St. James St. to Hall St.
Charles St. East Division St. to south of Mary St.
Wilson St. E. Washington St. to E. Center St.
James St. E. Center St. to Ann St.

WHEREAS, the closures will allow for safe passage for drum corps members and space for parking of support vehicles and equipment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Belding,

Michigan that the above mentioned streets be closed on June 24, 2008 from 2 p.m. to midnight for the Silk City Rhythms event.

The Mayor called for Business Agenda Item A - **BUDGET AMENDMENTS FY 2007/08**

The City Clerk read the preamble to the resolution.

Council Member Satterlee moved the passage of the resolution and the motion was supported by Council Member Bunce.

RESOLUTION NO. 2008-06-32

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BELDING, MICHIGAN
AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2007/08 BUDGET.

WHEREAS, on the 15th day of May, 2007, the Council of the City of Belding, Michigan adopted its 2007/08 Fiscal Year Budget for the administration of all funds and activities; and,

WHEREAS, unanticipated revenues and expenditures are projected which may exceed budget appropriations listed in said budget; and,

WHEREAS, the Fiscal Year 2007/08 Budget must be changed to reflect these adjustments;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Belding, Michigan that the Fiscal Year 2007/08 Budget be amended pursuant to the attached worksheet.

Finance Director Andres stated that the worksheet should be amended for Charges for Service Fees from the \$7,407 listed to \$8,650.

The question on the resolution was called and the result of the voting is as follows:

Ayes: Council Members Bunce, Wills, Satterlee and Husted.
Nays: None.

The Mayor called for Citizen Comments.

There were no citizen comments.

The Mayor called for Council Comments.

Council Members Bunce and Satterlee had no comments.

Council Member Wills stated that the Master Plan bus tour was good. It would be nice to get all

the groups together to get an overall view on the Master Plan. It would help to have leadership on that to point out issues. He thanked the city for their participation in the ICCF fundraiser, as they set an example in the county. All cities receive monies from the foundation, but only one city puts into it. This is the 11th year. They raise money for the good of the county. He appreciates the participation. Bob Tol attended a meeting a few months ago and had a deadline of June 1. It is obvious blight and he wants to see action on it. That is why the city has attorneys to guide them through. The city needs to be aggressive, not passive. He will await the information.

Mayor Husted stated that the ICCF has nearly \$6M under their umbrella of management. The city and local organizations are benefactors of the grants. Belding was the only city represented again. It is disheartening that other cities receiving monies are not participating. He thanked Roger for supporting the city on the board, as he has an impact on directing dollars and they appreciate that. He asked when the banners would be hung up?

DPW Director Thomas stated hopefully they can get started next week, weather permitting.

The Mayor called for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Bunce moved to adjourn the meeting, supported by Council Member Wills.

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| Ayes: | Council Members Bunce, Wills, Satterlee and Husted. |
| Nays: | None. |

Mayor Husted adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.