

City of Stanton

Regular Meeting

December 13, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm by Mayor Tissue-Daws.

Commissioners present: Smucker, Kroneck, Timiney, and Petersen. Absent: Burns and Burris.

A motion was made by Kroneck and supported by Petersen to approve the minutes to the November 22, 2010 meeting with the correction that an "s" should be added to the word minute. 4 Yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

Citizens Comments: Nicki Hansen and Jeff Trimper discussed purchasing a wheel chair swing for the community park. They would also like to do some maintenance on the play house.

Additions to the agenda:

Swing in park, Park report, Montcalm Alliance follow up, Citizens Comments at end of meeting, proposed ORV Ordinance and cancellation of the December 27, 2010 meeting were added to the agenda. A motion was made by Smucker and supported by Kroneck to approve agenda as modified. 4 Yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

Correspondence: Invitation to join the West Michigan Strategic Alliance.

Letter of resignation from Robert Burns from the City Commission effective at 3:47 pm.

Old Business: Parks Committee decided to move ahead with putting new drainage in the park and to do maintenance of the basketball courts along with lighting, fencing and signage.

The also discussed a skating rink and they supported the wheel chair swing being installed at the park.

A motion was made by Petersen and supported by Kroneck to move ahead with tiling the park, including the NE corner, maintaining the basketball courts, including week control, replacing the backboards, putting up signage to the parks and fencing and lighting. 4 Yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

Next park meeting will be December 20, 2010 at 7:00 pm.

A motion was made by Petersen and supported by Kroneck to approve the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION FOR THE CITY OF STANTON TO BECOME A MEMBER OF THE MONTCALM ALLIANCE,

WHEREAS, There are many resources including information, business attraction, retention and expansion services, grant writing assistance and tourism coordination available through the Montcalm Alliance; and

WHEREAS, The City of Stanton wishes to utilize the economic and community development service that are available through the Montcalm Alliance;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THT THE CITY COMMISISON OF THE CITY OF STANTON, MICHIGAN:

- Section 1. That the Stanton City Commission shall authorize the City of Stanton to become a member of the Montcalm Alliance
- Section 2. That the Stanton City Commission shall authorize the payment of \$2500 annual fee to the Montcalm Alliance.
- Section 3. That the Stanton City Commission shall appoint a city commissioner to represent the city at meetings of the Montcalm Alliance.
- Section 4. That the appointed city commissioner shall keep the city commission informed of the activities of the Montcalm Alliance.

4 Yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kroneck and supported by Petersen to nominate Don Smucker as the City's representative to the Montcalm Alliance. Discussed having Burris be an alternative when Smucker couldn't attend. Petersen amended his motion and Kroneck supported the amendment to nominate Don Smucker and have Ken Burris be an alternative. 4 Yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Smucker and supported by Petersen to cancel the December 27, 2010. 4 Yes. 0 No. Motion carried. Next meeting will be on January 10, 2011.

A motion was made by Kroneck and supported by Petersen to adopt the following resolution:

A RESOLUTION TO INVESTIGATE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE OFFICE OF STANTON CITY MANAGER:

WHEREAS, The City of Stanton wishes to evaluate the alternatives available for the establishment of the office of Stanton City Manager and,

WHEREAS, there are many resources available in our county and state to assist the commission in this endeavor;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CIT COMMISSION OF THE CITY STANTON, MICHIGAN:

- Section 1. That the Stanton City Commission shall authorize the appointment of a committee to investigate the steps that need to be taken to establish the office of City Manager.
- Section 2. That the committee shall consider details for the appointment, qualifications and duties and functions of the position, alternatives for staffing the position, and compensation for the position.

Section3. That the committee shall consist of a city commissioner chair, the mayor and up to two additional council members selected by the chair.

Section 4. That the committee shall report their findings and recommendations to the Stanton City Commission for their action.

Yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kroneck and supported by Petersen to nominate Don Smucker to chair the committee to investigate and establish the office of City Manager and to choose two additional commission members as they express interest. 4 Yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Kroneck and supported by Petersen to work with the community volunteers to bring a wheel chair swing into reality and to help coordinate the maintenance of the park. 4 Yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

Discussed proposed ORV Ordinance. A motion was made by Kroneck and supported by Petersen to set a public hearing for January 10, 2011at 7:00 pm to discuss the proposed ordinance. 4 Yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

Citizen Comments: Ron Blum discussed the fence across Sherman Street right of way and trash at 411 Walnut St.

Good News. Stanton is on Channel 8 weather map.

A motion was made by Petersen and supported by Kroneck to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:50 pm. 4 Yes. 0 No. Motion carried.

Next meeting will be held on January 10, 2011 at 7:00 pm immediately after the Public Hearing on the proposed ORV Ordinance. Public Welcome.

Monica Tissue-Daws Mayor

Janet Davis, City Clerk