

## REGULAR MEETING OF THE DEARBORN HEIGHTS CITY COUNCIL

**MARCH 23, 2004**

**04-090** The meeting was called to order at 8:04 p.m. by Council Chair Elizabeth J. Agius.

Roll Call showed the following:

**Present:** Council Chair Elizabeth J. Agius, Councilwoman Janet S. Badalow, Councilman Kenneth R. Baron, Councilwoman Ann Brown, Councilman Bob Constan, Councilwoman Catherine L. Heise, Councilwoman Margaret M. Van Houten.

**Absent:** None.

**Also Present:** Mayor Paletko, Administrative Assistant Kramarz, City Clerk Dudzinski, Deputy Clerk Pawlukiewicz, Treasurer Riley, Comptroller Barrow, Assessor Riedel, Building & Engineering Director Kissinger, Deputy Fire Chief Klovski, Police Chief Gust, Recreation Director Grybel, Public Service Administrator Franzil, Community Development Director Jamal.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Lyskawa Post 7456 Commander Tom Wayne.

Lyskawa Post 7456 Commander Tom Wayne presented award plaques together with \$200 bonds to the Policeman and Fireman of the Year. Ed Garcia was honored as the Policeman of the Year and Paul Nieto the Fireman of the Year.

Exie Markowsky, Dearborn Heights Goodfellows President presented Certificates of Appreciation to the offices of the Assessor, Building & Engineering, Comptroller, Treasurer, DPW, Recreation, Police, Fire and Clerk. The Bernadine Titus Award was presented to Mayor Paletko in recognition of devoted service to the Dearborn Heights Goodfellows and gratitude from all the needy children and families who benefit by the City's generosity.

**04-091** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Van Houten, that the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of March 23, 2004, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**04-092** Motion by Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilman Baron, that the Minutes from the Regular Meeting of March 9, 2004, be approved as submitted.

Motion unanimously adopted.

**04-093** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilwoman Brown, that Current Claims 6-1 through 6-20, be approved as submitted.

1. ACCUMED BILLING, INC. - Ambulance Billing February 2004 - Inv. dated 03/01/04 from A/C 101-000-626-000 (Ambulance) \$4,263.01. Fire Dept.
2. CENTRAL WAYNE COUNTY SANITATION AUTHORITY - Household Waste 02/04 and Monthly Debt/Admin for 03/04 - Inv. dated 03/02/04 from A/C 101-200-810-000 (Sanitation) \$146,467.02. General Govt.
3. COMERICA SECURITIES - Installment Payment Energy Plan - Inv. dated 03/05/04 from A/C 101-200-965-000 (Energy Plan Exp) \$82,320.00. General Govt.
4. COMERICA SECURITIES - Installment Payment Police Radios - Inv. dated 03/05/04 from A/C 101-200-831-100 (E-911) \$107,862.50. General Govt.
5. DSS CORPORATION - Annual Maintenance Agreement - Inv. 5555 dated 03/01/04 from A/C 101-300-818-000 (Contractual Serv) \$3,300.00. Police Dept.
6. FIRST STEP - Professional Services January 2004 - Inv. dated 02/26/04 from A/C 103-960-927-203 (First Step) \$3,894.33. Comm. Dev.
7. MEDTRONIC PHYSIO-CONTROL - Annual Maintenance Agreement - Inv. PC379367 dated 02/09/04 from A/C 101-335-818-000 (Contractual Serv) \$1,800.00. Fire Dept.
8. NAGEL CONSTRUCTION INC. - Sewer Cleaning Program - Inv. 1922 dated 03/11/04 from A/C 592-540-818-030 (Contractual Serv) \$35,723.41. Water Dept.
9. ORTHOPAEDIC PHYSICAL THERAPY SERVICES - Physical Therapy C. Lux - Inv. dated 11456172 dated 03/10/04 from A/C 101-200-724-000 (Workmens Comp) \$3,182.19. General Govt.
10. PAINTER & RUTHENBERG - Roll-off Services February 2004 - Inv. 6483 dated 02/29/04 from A/C 101-200-810-000 (Sanitation) \$2,770.00. General Govt.
11. PRIMEDIA WORKPLACE LEARNING - FETN Satellite Subscription- Inv. 900447335 dated 01/15/04 from A/C 101-335-818-000 (Contractual Serv) \$1,728.00. Fire Dept.

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12. R & R FIRE TRUCK REPAIR - Misc. Repairs Fire Equipment - Inv. 24195 dated 02/02/04 and Inv. 24377 dated 02/13/04 from A/C 101-335-932-000 (Repair/Maint) \$5,058.76. Fire Dept.
13. SOMMER, SCHWARTZ, SILVER.... - Legal Services Sewer Issues - Inv. 179307 dated 03/08/04 from A/C 592-536-817-000 (Prof/Consult) \$2,552.00. Water Dept.
14. STANDARD FEDERAL - Justice Center Land Purchase Bonds - Inv. 02/17/04 from A/C 105-105-996-005 (Land Bond) \$67,636.25. General Govt.
15. TODAYLINK, LLC - Connect/Support Feb/Mar/04 - Inv. 1053 dated 02/29/04 from A/C 101-200-819-999 (Internet) \$5,085.80. General Govt.
16. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - CDBG Block Grant Assistance January 2004 - Inv. 81728 dated 02/20/04 from A/C 103-960-918-203 (Admin) \$2,869.50. Comm. Dev.
17. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - Phase II CSO Sewer Design - Inv. 81585 dated 02/17/04 from A/C 592-XXX-154-000 (Sewers) \$33,870.29. Water Dept.
18. WADE-TRIM/ASSOCIATES - Sanitary Sewer Investigation-Legacy Park - Inv. 74826 dated 08/14/02 from A/C 592-XXX-255-000 (Jobs in Progress) \$2,489.00. Water Dept.
19. WAYNE COUNTY - ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE - Traffic Signal Maint Nov/Dec 2003 - Inv. 1000675 and 1000727 dated 02/10/04 from A/C 101-440-925-000 (Maint) \$6,075.62. DPW-Highway.
20. WAYNE COUNTY - DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT - Excess Flow Downriver 02/04 - Inv. 219998 dated 02/20/04 from A/C 592-537-929-000 (Sewage) \$22,765.00. Water Dept.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 04-094** Motion by Councilwoman Van Houten, seconded by Councilman Baron, that the City Comptroller be authorized to advertise for bids, per specifications, for one (1) LB-75 Tractor/Loader/Extendable Backhoe, per the request of Public Service Administrator Franzil, communication dated March 11, 2004. This item is budgeted in Capital Outlay for 2003-2004.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 04-095** Motion by Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilwoman Brown, that the City Council concurs with and approves the request to purchase one (1) HP D220 Microtower Computer from Computer Technologies Inc., 1721 Crooks Road, Suite 100, Troy, MI 48064, in the amount of \$860.00, and payment thereof, which includes 512 MC of RAM and 80 GB Hard Drive, per Comptroller Barrow, communication dated March 15, 2004.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 04-096** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilman Constan, that the request to auction the following Operation Push Off/Forfeiture vehicles:

1995 Pontiac two door - VIN #1G2WJ12MXSF333310; 1994 Ford Station Wagon - VIN #1FMDA31X9RZA50542; 1997 Chevrolet two door - VIN #1GLJC1248V7307618; 1987 Chrysler two door - VIN #JJ3CC54N7HZ036684; 1991 Mercury four door - VIN #3MAPM1485MR673462; 1980 Lincoln four door - VIN #OY90G667009; 1994 four door - VIN #1FALP52U0RG109137; 1986 Mercury two door - VIN #1MEBP92F4GH706277; 1991 Chevrolet two door - VIN #2G1WN14T5M9104882; 1993 Ford two door - VIN #1FAPP62TXPH125335; and 1992 Mitsubishi TK - VIN #JA7FL24W6NP0051128, per Police Chief Gust, communication dated March 2, 2004.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 04-097** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilman Constan, that the City Council concurs with and approves two (2) Quit Claim Deeds for the John F. Kennedy, Jr. library and two (2) Quit Claim Deeds for the Caroline Kennedy library and authorize Mayor Paletko to sign the documents on behalf of the City, per Treasurer Riley, communication dated March 17, 2004. These deeds are needed to convey title of the property on which the libraries will be constructed to the Dearborn Heights Building Authority until the City has paid or duly provided for its payment obligations under the Contract of Lease and the Bonds are no longer outstanding.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 04-098** Motion by Councilwoman Heise, seconded by Councilman Baron, that the Resolution Opposing the EPA'S Approval of the Romulus Deep Injection Waste Well and Calling Upon the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality to Deny a Waste Operating License, be adopted as

follows:

**WHEREAS**, on March 16, 2004, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) granted Environmental Disposal Systems (EDS) of Birmingham an exemption from federal restrictions on land disposal of hazardous waste for two commercial Class I injection wells in Romulus, Michigan; and

**WHEREAS**, the deep injection waste wells are located approximately three miles from the City of Dearborn Heights; and

**WHEREAS**, the wells were bored in 2002 over the objections of the City of Dearborn Heights, lawmakers, residents and environmental groups; and

**WHEREAS**, the wells would be used to dispose several hundred thousand gallons per day of toxins, including chromium, lead, acids, and PCB's, with much of that waste being trucked in possibly up to 50 times per day; and

**WHEREAS**, the proximity of the wells to Dearborn Heights poses an environmental health risk due to underground leakage and hazards posed by trucks carrying contaminated waste;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Dearborn Heights previously voiced its opposition to these deep injection wells in Council Resolution 96-046;

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council of Dearborn Heights hereby continues its opposition to the EPA's decision to exempt this site, and calls upon the MDEQ to deny the hazardous waste operating license for use of the hazardous deep injection waste wells in Romulus.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that a copy of this Resolution be sent to EPA Administrator Levitt, Governor Jennifer Granholm, MDEQ Director Steven Chester, Congressman John Dingell, Congressman Thaddeus McCotter, State Representative Jim Plakas, State Senator Burton Leland, Wayne County Executive Robert Ficano and the City of Taylor, per Councilwoman Catherine L. Heise, communication dated March 18, 2004.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 04-099** Motion by Councilman Baron, seconded by Councilman Constan, that business license renewals for Gentry Auto Sales, 25996 Van Born; The Hooch, 5157 S Telegraph and Rouge Park Bar, 16515 Outer Drive, be approved.

Motion unanimously adopted.

- 04-100** Motion by Councilman Constan, seconded by Councilman Baron, that the meeting be adjourned.

Motion unanimously adopted.

The meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

JUDY DUDZINSKI  
CITY CLERK

MARIA E. LAWRENCE  
COUNCIL/CLERK SECRETARY

ELIZABETH J. AGIUS, CHAIR  
CITY COUNCIL