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**CITY OF KEEGO HARBOR STUDY SESSION MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY JULY 17, 2018, 7:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Yoder called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Joel Yoder, Mayor Pro Tem Fletcher, Council Member Karen Meabrod Council Member Rob Kalman and John Newberry.

STAFF PRESENT: Administrative Clerk Tammy Bleashka, Police Chief John Fitzgerald, and DPW Foreman Doug Waldon

PUBLIC COMMENT:

No Public Comment Non-Agenda items

Study Session Topics

Mayor Yoder would like to move **Sand Bar and Parking at City Parks** from item one on the agenda to the third item on the agenda. We do not want to keep WRC- Insurance Rates-Kelsey Cooke (Tab 8), and WRC- Water and Sewer Rates- Raphael Chirolla (Tab 9), for the lengthy discussion on the Sand Bar and City Parking issue.

Motion to make the agenda change to the Agenda by Mayor Pro Tem Fletcher; seconded by Council Member Kalman.

Ayes: Unanimous

Motion Carried

WRC – Insurance Rates- Kelsey Cooke Senior Attorney

Mrs. Cooke provided the City with two separate resolutions;

1) County's continued property coverage, Annual Premium \$558.00.

2) O & M Insurance Coverage; General Liability, Professional Liability, Errors & Omissions.

Annual Premium for Water & Sewer \$4,100. Keego Harbor Water-Sewer and all joining CVT's will be Named Insured's under this policy.

Mayor Yoder asked why we have not had this coverage in the past. With the different Water and Sewer Infrastructures issues that have happened within the State of MI. Oakland County figured it was a good time to be pro-active, in case any issues were to arise in Oakland County.

Mayor Yoder questioned if the O & M Policy was put out to bid, with 3 competitive bidders?

Mrs. Cooke stated this was not put out for Bid, this is a Specialized Policy.

Mayor Yoder would like to see the contract language.

Mayor Pro-Tem Fletcher would like to know what is covered and what is excluded. He also feels this should have gone out to bid.

Council Member Meabrod asked if the City were to have a catastrophic incident would this O&M policy cover the cost. Mrs. Cooke stated depends on the situation.

Council agreed to have the County's continued property coverage Resolution on Thursday's Council Meeting Agenda.

Public Comment:

John Veighey: 2057 Willow Beach; asked if a contractor damaged a sewer line and creates a leak. Would Oakland County cover the damage? A contractor is required to submitted a bond with Oakland County.

WRC- Water and Sewer Rates- Raphael Chirolla

Mr. Chirolla provided the City with a Water Supply Rates Resolution.

OCWRC recommended that the water rate consist of commodity charge of \$21.62 per Mcf, which includes a component for (GLWA) water purchases and OCWRC operations and maintenance for all users of the Keego Harbor Water Supply System.

OCWRC has also recommended that the water rate include a fixed charge of \$51.77

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Mayor Pro Tem Fletcher would like to know how long it has been since the sewer lines have been checked with a camera and the recommendation on how often this should be done.

Public Comment:

Dean Unrick: 2484 Fordham; Water bill is very high, \$10.00 per cubic foot. Mr. Chirolla will check into this issue.

Sand Bar/ Parking

Mayor Yoder It is a known fact the Cass Lake Sand Bar causes issue for residences that live on and off water. The situation is getting out of hand. The safety for our residences and our Police Officers is a huge concern. The City would like to work together with the residences, to get some type of relief from this issue. (Parking, Trespassing, Drunks defecating on lawns of private property, Men urinating off boats, Vulgar Language toward lake front property owners).

Mayor Pro Tem Fletcher gave Council a handout on riparian rights. The beach at my house is disgusting after a weekend of parting at the sand bar. Between the urine, human feces, diapers, tampons, and condoms, the Sand Bar is like a huge human toilet. The people are accessing the lake by the Grove street beach. They park at the school or Gino's walk down the street with cases of beer and cross at Grove street beach access. Let's try and set up a subcommittee with the Chief of Police, Officer Cote, and a few City Residences. Find out more about riparian rights, navigation lanes and what the DEQ can assist with. Officer Cote could not respond to calls on the water due mob mentality and his safety.

Public comment:

Marilyn Svaluto, 2058 Willow Beach; the congestion needs to be addressed. We cannot go out in our boat in the afternoon; With 5,000 people and 900 hundred boats it is unsafe for residences to use their property safely. We should not have to watch men urinate off their boats, or women train to be pole dancers. Everyone deserves to have fun, just respect the property owners. I was verbally accosted by a young man on the lake. Could the City enact an Ordinance to address open alcohol within a certain distance from shore? Are no swim buoys allowed for property owners? Chief Fitzgerald explained that permit is issued by DEQ. Does the DEQ take water samples?

Nancy Seklich, 1772 Cass Lake Front; the parking is a huge issue; The young adults that come into the City just don't care. The issues we have are generally young men that are drinking. The mass group of people are on the sand bar 2pm-7pm, the worst month is July. Could we possibly get 2 Officers on the water in July from 2pm-7 pm, and one on foot patrol in the troubled are of the lake front.

Mike Shammami, 2070 Willow Beach; the lake is unsafe, with the drinking and pot smoking. The people on the sand bar are so disrespectful to property owners with the vulgar language and blasting music.

Chris Smith, 2082 Willow Beach; the water quality on the weekends has to be very bad. My dog drank some of the lake water and ended up with a storage virus. It is very unsafe for one officer on the water, they should have 2 people on patrol.

Council Member Karen Meabrod would like to know who would be interested in being on the committee.

Marilyn Svaluto 2058 Willow Beach
Mike Shammami 2070 Willow Beach
Nancy Seklich 1772 Cass Lake Front
Mayor Pro Tem Joh Fletcher
Angelica Arens 2387 Willow Beach

Council member John Newberry explained that no water craft is allowed in a designated swim area. (Permit issued by DEQ). On Sylvan Lake we do not have riparian rights.

Gino Santia; the restaurant was closed July 4, about 40 vehicles were parked at the restaurant.

Angelica Arens, 2387 Willow Beach; I use Fran Leaf Park to access the swim site. Could some type of parking permits be issued to city residences?

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Jennifer Newberry, 1723 Beachcroft; if residences are issued parking passed for private lots ie;Gino's who would liability fall on?

Leslie Clark; Hester and Fran Leaf Parks are federally funded parks. We cannot restrict parking to residences only.

Council Member Rob Kalman suggested to have the new Acting City Manager addresses the parking issue.

Sub Committee List; Meeting Date; Thursday, August 2 2018 at 6:00 pm.

- 1) Trespassing
- 2) Set up meeting with DEQ,(Traffic lanes and alcohol use)
- 3) Oakland County (Does Marine patrol come to Cass Lake)
- 4) Riparian Right
- 5) Water Quality
- 6) Work with PD for input

Have a Sub Committee meeting and report back at August Council Meeting.

Chief Fitzgerald has been talking to business about the parking issue. Doc and June's property owner will be putting cones and signs out for trespassing. The owner of the vacant lot on the north end of town on the lake said he would be posting his property no trespassing. If you can ID the person for indecent exposure we can arrest for a misdemeanor.

Trespassing can be address if the property is posted properly.

We are offering a Boater Safety Course July 28, @10:00 am- 6:00 pm. Minimum age without a parent is 12 years. Mayor Pro Tem asked if a 10 year old can be accompanied by an adult. Yes, they can be accompanied by an adult.

Private swim buoys require DEQ permits.

Administrative Employee wage increase

Mayor Joel Yoder the increase was budgeted for.

Council Member John Newberry, the raise takes effect on your anniversary date.

Dollar Lake & Sunset Park Survey

Mayor Pro Tem John Fletcher the Saw Grant can be used for these surveys. HRC has \$740,000 accessible in the Saw Grant program. This will be moved to the Council Agenda.

ASI- 2018 Road Preservation Program Walk- Through Recap

Council Member Karen Meabrod, Mayor Pro Tem, DPW Doug Waldon, HRC Brad Shepler and ASI Chris Swift went on the walk-through.

Council Member Karen Meabrod was very impressed with the engineers and how much knowledge John Fletcher has about roads.

Mayor Pro Tem John Fletcher addressed paving width issue, ASI was looking at 19' paving , Fletcher stated it needs to be 18' 6";recommendations are Stennett Street,Hester Court from OLR to Pridham; Hester Court south of Pridham is in good shape. Beland between Beechmont and Cass Lk. this is the worst road in the City, and was listed poor on the list. Two types of bids were. ASI is two months away for paving projects; we are just waiting for the pricing to come in.

Council Member Rob Kalman asked if Beland would have to be compacted. No it does not need compacting.

Public Comment:

Shirley Hunt, 1946 Maddy Lane; asked if culverts are replaced when the streets are being paved. If a culvert is in the road way, ASI will replace the culvert. We have a culvert and catch basin if the road is paved my house is the low spot and will be flooded. Mayor Yoder would to have HRC Brad Shepler look at this issue and give the City a recommendation. Mayor Pro Tem stated that this time to be billed out to the Saw Grant. Mrs. Hunt gave permission for HRC to look at her property.

2018 Goals & Objectives

1. New Police Chief
2. Police Contract

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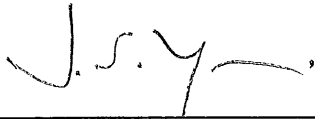
3. Police Dept. Restructure
4. City Administration Restructuring
5. The Glades Project Approval
6. Working to reduce liability
7. New Master Plan Completed
8. Planning Commission Residential Parking and Signage
9. 2018 Street Improvement Program
10. Fall News Letter (City Acting Manager, DPW, Police Department) information from all departments.
11. Street Lights TIFA

Council Member Karen Meabrod checked with Sharon Horker would be the voluntary for the Editor. Council Member Meabrod will gather the information for the New Letter work with Sharon. The budget needs to be looked at for the New Letter.

DPW Doug Waldon Street Light TIFA I will be painting the poles, this is a short term fix; 5 out of the 10 light poles no longer have break away bolts. Mayor Pro Tem we need a long term fix for this issue. They make of any epoxy resin decorative base that does not rust out. Mayor Pro Tem would like more information on this type of base.

DPW Doug Waldon what direction do you want me to go because we are in August. The money has been set aside; loader, plow for pick up, salter and repairs for plow truck. Get three quotes for loader, pricing for the other equipment for Thursdays meeting.

Chief Fitzgerald we were down 3 vehicles days; AC was out of one vehicle, one car was at the county getting its overhaul done, and one vehicle had a broken window. The broken window was repaired and is back in service.



Joel Yoder
City of Keego Harbor Mayor



Tammy Bleashka
City of Keego Harbor Administrative Clerk