

**Regular** Council Meeting of the City of Melvindale held in the Council Chambers on Wednesday, February 15, 2012, at 7:30 pm.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Striz and roll call was taken:

PRESENT COUNCIL MEMBERS: Hess, Louvet, Balderas, Marsee, Barnes, Cybulski.

**ALSO PRESENT:** Diana Zarazua, City Clerk; Karen Lowe, Treasurer; Jim Beri, City Administrator; Corinne Galusky, Corporation Counsel; Chad Hayse, Interim Police Chief; Steven Dunsmore, Interim Fire Chief; Joe Owens, DPW Director.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Striz and the invocation was led by Father Ed Zaorski of St. Mary Magdalen.

**12-02-42** Moved by Louvet and supported by Hess to approve the *Regular* Council Meeting minutes dated February 1, 2012.

Passed Unanimously

City Clerk, Diana Zarazua read the Proclamation for "Constitution Day" for March 4, 2012.

Audience participation was offered.

**12-02-43** Moved by Hess and supported by Barnes to approve Sgt. Bill Plemons to attend Staff & Command School based on funding.

**YEAS:** none

**NAYS:** Hess, Balderas, Marsee, Barnes, Cybulski

**ABSTAIN:** Louvet

#### **MOTION FAILED**

**12-02-44:** Moved by Marsee and supported by Cybulski to not send Sgt. John Allen to Staff & Command School.

Passed Unanimously

**12-02-45:** Moved by Louvet and supported by Hess to receive and place on file the invoices and cover sheet and to authorize the payment of invoices totaling \$376,952.16.

#### **MOTION FAILED UNANIMOUSLY**

**12-02-46:** Moved by Louvet and supported by Hess to Hess to receive and place on file the invoices and cover sheet and to authorize the payment of invoices totaling \$341,046.85.

Passed Unanimously

**12-02-47:** Moved by Hess and supported by Louvet to authorize the treasurer to spread the Delinquent Water Bills and Weed Cutting Bills from 2011 to the 2012 City Tax Rolls.

Passed Unanimously

**12-02-48:** Moved by Louvet and supported by Barnes to authorize Mayor Striz to sign the grant from Michigan Department of Environmental Quality's (MDEQ) Dedicated Clean Diesel Grant for PY 2012 in the amount of \$60,000.00 to purchase a 2012 Diesel powered Boom Truck. The City of Melvindale will cover the balance of \$17,288.00.

***Council waives their right to reconsider this resolution.***

Passed Unanimously

**12-02-49:** Moved by Hess and supported by Balderas to approve the EVIP Grant Project Shared Services Feasibility Study - Tax Administration Services with the City of Dearborn.

Passed Unanimously

**12-02-50:** Moved by Louvet and supported by Marsee to approve the request of Interim Police Chief Chad Hayse to purchase 911 systems through the DCC Grant program.

Passed Unanimously

**12-02-51:** Moved by Louvet and supported by Marsee to purchase the 911 furniture for the Police Department, not to exceed \$16,955.83 and to waive the formal bid process based upon the fact that this equipment is specific to the equipment that it will be housing.

Passed Unanimously

**12-02-52:** Moved by Barnes and supported by Cybulski to recess into a closed session for the purposes of negotiations (with Corporation Counsel Corinne Galusky) and pending litigation with possible resolution and settlement (with Larry Coogan) at 8:55pm.

Passed Unanimously

**12-02-53:** Moved by Marsee and supported by Cybulski to reconvene at 10:10pm.

Passed Unanimously

**12-02-54:** Moved by Marsee and supported by Louvet to award Officer Chuck Dubois retroactive pay for Duty Disability commencing December 7, 2011 through February 15, 2012 and thereafter. This is contingent upon with the understanding that Mr. Dubois would: 1) Agree not to sue the City of Melvindale and hold the city harmless; 2) Reimburse the City of Melvindale upon payment of his MERS Pension or Workers Compensation.

Passed Unanimously

**12-02-55:** Moved by Marsee and supported by Louvet to concur with the Public Safety Commission adopting of Dr. Clark's position of Duty Disability of Chuck Dubois. Also, to request that a communication be sent to MERS and Workers Compensation the position of the City of Melvindale.

Passed Unanimously

**12-02-56:** Moved by Marsee and supported by Cybulski to adjourn at 10:15pm.

Passed Unanimously

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Stacy L. Striz, Mayor

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Diana Zurazua, City Clerk