

## STANDISH CITY COUNCIL

## REGULAR MEETING

February 13, 2023

1. **CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor King called the regular meeting of the Standish City Council to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO AMERICA**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor King.

3. **ROLL CALL**

Present: King, Link, Winslow, Rang, Fleszar, Prout  
Absent: Spencer

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOVED** by Link and supported by Rang to approve the agenda with additions to New Business; C. FOIA Cost, D. Spark Grant. The motion carried.

5. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Whitney – 220 E Cedar St

6. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOVED** by Whitney and supported by Fleszar to approve the minutes of the January 9, 2023

All approved, motion carried.

7. **APPROVAL OF THE BILLS**

**MOVED** by Link and supported by Fleszar to pay the invoices for the month of February.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

YEAS: Prout, Rang, Link, Fleszar, Winslow, King

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Spencer

The motion carried.

8. **CURRENT BUSINESS**

**A. Public Haring – Ordinance 280, Off-Road Vehicle Ordinance**

**MOVED** by Link and supported by Fleszar to go into a Public Hearing for Ordinance 280 at 6:10pm .

All approved, motion carried.

- Ordinance 280 – will restrict the use of Off-Road Vehicles within the City limits of Standish.
  - The Under-Sheriff has reviewed the ordinance and is satisfied with the presented copy.
- There was no further discussion.

**MOVED** by Winslow and supported by Rang to Leave Public Hearing and go back into the regular meeting at 6:13pm

All approved, motion carried.

**MOVED** by Fleszar and supported by Winslow to approve Ordinance 280 as written.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

YEAS: Winslow, Fleszar, Link, Rang, Prout, King

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Spencer

The motion carried.

**B. Public Hearing – Amendment to Ordinance 159, Section 52.03 Conditions of Service**

**MOVED** by Winslow and supported by Rang to go into a Public Hearing for Amendment to Ordinance 159, Section 52.03 Conditions of Service at 6:14pm.

All approved, motion carried.

- Amendment to Ordinance 159, Section 52.03 Conditions of Service Section A:
  - All costs and expense incident to the installation, connection and maintenance of the building sewer to the public sewer connection shall be borne by the owner.
- There was no further discussion.

**MOVED** by Rang and supported by Link to Leave Public Hearing and go back into the regular meeting at 6:17pm

All approved, motion carried.

**MOVED** by Fleszar and supported by Rang to approve Amendment to Ordinance 159, Section 52.03 as written.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

YEAS: Link, Rang, Fleszar, Prout, Winslow, King

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Spencer

The motion carried.

**C. Public Hearing – Amendment to Ordinance 142, Section 92.03 Public Nuisances Affecting Peace, and Safety**

**MOVED** by Rang and supported by Fleszar to go into a Public Hearing for Amendment to Ordinance 142, Section 92.03 Public Nuisances Affecting Peace, and Safety at 6:18pm.

All approved, motion carried.

- Amendment to Ordinance 142, Section 92.03 Public Nuisances Affecting Peace, and Safety Section F:
  - The discharge of a firearm shall not be permitted except in the case of military funerals or by civil officials. Firearm means a weapon from which a dangerous projectile may be propelled by an explosive, or by gas or air.
- There was no further discussion.

**MOVED** by Rang and supported by Winslow to Leave Public Hearing and go back into the regular meeting at 6:20pm

All approved, motion carried.

**MOVED** by Fleszar and supported by Rang to approve Amendment to Ordinance 142, Section 92.03 as written.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

YEAS: Fleszar, Prout, Link, Rang, Winslow, King

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Spencer

The motion carried.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

A. **Board of Review Dates**

- March 8<sup>th</sup> – 2:00pm to 3:00pm
- March 15<sup>th</sup> – 2:00pm to 5:00pm / 6:00pm to 9:00pm
- March 16<sup>th</sup> – 9:00am to 12:00pm / 1:00pm to 4:30pm
- July 19<sup>th</sup> – 2:00pm to 3:30pm
- December 13<sup>th</sup> – 2:00pm to 3:00pm

**MOVED** by Rang and supported by Fleszar to approve the Board of Review dates as presented.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

YEAS: Rang, Link, Winslow, Fleszar, Prout, King  
 NAYS: None  
 ABSENT: Spencer

The motion carried

B. **Oil & Gas Lease, Trendwell Energy**

- Trendwell would like to have a lease agreement to explore 105 acres of City property for oil and gas exploration, the property consists of 100 acres near the sewer ponds and 5 acres near the old city dump, all on Foco Road.
- Trendwell is offering the city a \$100 an acre that they are allowed to do testing on.
- The city would receive royalties if these natural resources were determined to be viable and an oil well was placed in the area.
- The city Attorney has reviewed the contract that has been presented to the City Council and stated that it is a standard contract for this type of request.
- The project would be done under a “non-disturb” method, meaning none of our buildings, equipment, or utility infrastructure would be impacted.

**MOVED** by Winslow and supported by Rang to approve lease agreement with Trendwell Energy.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

YEAS: Rang, Prout, Link, Fleszar, Winslow, King  
 NAYS: None  
 ABSENT: Spencer

The motion carried.

C. **FOIA Cost**

- After first hour of labor will charge the employee hourly rate plus 25% for benefits
- .25 per page over the first 40 pages

**MOVED** by Winslow and supported by Rang to establish a FOIA policy charging actual cost of employee's labor plus 25% of benefits, .25 cents per page after the first hour of labor and first 40 pages.

A roll call vote was taken as follows:

YEAS: Link, Prout, Fleszar, Rang, Winslow, King  
 NAYS: None  
 ABSENT: Spencer

The motion carried.

#### D. **Spark Grant**

- DNR is accepting grant applications in February and again at the end of the year, to help communities improve community gathering locations.
  - Splash pad, Bike Racks, Walking Trails
  - Enhanced neighborhood health
  - Development or redevelopment of recreation spaces
- DDA and Depo & Community Center as well as the City may qualify for this grant.
- Projects that receive this grant need to be completed by October 2026

#### 10. **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

Mason reported the following:

- State Representative Mike Hoadley was at City Hall on Friday February 10<sup>th</sup> to answer question from the public.
  - He was scheduled from 230pm to 330p but stayed much later.
- Meet with Hodgins Asphalt to discuss Grove St., Beaver St, and Cass St. for possible road projects.
  - Grove St and Beaver St would need major work repairs.
  - Cass St. might be eligible to just be recapped.
- Hoping to have more information from Hodges for the next City Council meeting.
- City Manager commended Orland Kauffman for his extended service to the community on the City's Board of Review.

#### 12. **MAYOR & FIRE AUTHORITY REPORT**

King reported the following:

- Fire Authority – Nothing new to report
- Northern District 23 has been listed for sale.
- Cedar Street Hair Design is being taken over by another individual.
  - New hair saloon will be named Studio 104 – reopening in April/May
- February 21, 2023; will Big John's court hearing regarding the revoked special use permit.

13. **COUNCIL MEMBER COMMENTS**

- Link – Helped with the Low Cost Cat and Dog Clinic on February 11<sup>th</sup>
  - Had over 200 pets brought in to receive vaccines.
- Rang – Woodmere Cemetery needs gravel put in the drives.

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Mayor King adjourned the regular City Council meeting at 6:54p.m.

Respectfully Submitted:

Attest:

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Champagne Southworth  
City Clerk

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Kevin King  
Mayor