



23925 Woodward Avenue  
Pleasant Ridge, Michigan 48069

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Pleasant Ridge City Commission Meeting  
Tuesday, April 10, 2012

Having been duly publicized, Mayor Castelli called the meeting to order at 7:36 p.m.

Present: Mayor Castelli, Commissioners Bushey, Krzysiak, Perry, Rubino.  
Also Present: City Manager Ball, City Attorney Cooper, City Clerk Allison.  
Absent: None.

**Minutes**

**12-2822**

Motion by Commissioner Bushey, second by Commissioner Rubino, that the minutes of the Special City Commission Meeting held Tuesday, March 8, 2012 and the Regular City Commission Meeting held Tuesday, March 13, 2012, be approved, as presented.

Adopted: Yeas: Commissioners Bushey, Rubino, Krzysiak, Perry, Mayor Castelli.  
Nays:

**March 2012 Disbursement Report**

**12-2823**

Motion by Commissioner Rubino, second by Commissioner Bushey, that the March 2012 Monthly Disbursement Report, be approved, as listed..

Adopted: Yeas: Commissioners Rubino, Bushey, Krzysiak, Perry, Mayor Castelli.  
Nays:

**Mayor's Proclamation - 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Pleasant Ridge Woman's Club**

**12-2824**

Motion by Commissioner Perry, second by Commissioner Rubino, that the Mayor's Proclamation recognizing the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Pleasant Ridge Woman's Club, be approved, as recommended.

Adopted: Yeas: Commissioners Perry, Rubino, Bushey, Krzysiak, Mayor Castelli.  
Nays:

## **Governmental Reports**

Chief Kevin Sullivan, Ferndale Fire Department, gave an update on events related to the Fire Department.

Mr. Dave Tigertt, 14 Oakdale, Pleasant Ridge representative to the Huntington Woods Library, Board. Discussed upcoming event to be held at the Pleasant Ridge Community Center on Sunday, April 22, 2012. Concerns with the City promoting conflicting events between the Huntington Woods Public Library and the Ferndale Public Library – both events to be held on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Ms. Stacy Stutcher, 85 Amherst, concerns with the dragon display relating to the Ferndale Public Library event to be held April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Manager Ball explained the City Administration felt that displaying the dragon was an opportunity to support libraries in general, not so much a specific library, and promote art in the community.

Commissioner Perry explained that she had been working with some people that are active with the Friends of the Ferndale Public Library. She felt that it was an opportunity to promote both events.

Manager Ball commented she had received three emails and two telephone voicemails regarding the dragon.

Mr. Ted Zachary Ted Zachary, Recycling Coordinator, gave an update on recycling efforts within the City of Pleasant Ridge.

## **City Commission Liaison Reports**

Commissioner Krzysiak, gave an update regarding the Recreation Commission. discussed the Pancake Breakfast/Egg Hunt, upcoming Antiques Roadshow Appraisal Fair, and the Community Garden.

Commissioner Bushey, gave an update regarding the Planning Commission/DDA. Discussed Planning Commission/DDA Budgets and Goals/Objectives. Discussed Concert-in-the-Park, added an additional date. There will be three concerts. Discussed upcoming Master Plan Update.

Commissioner Rubino, gave an update regarding the Historical Commission. Developing a recognition plaque for centennial homes in the City. Home and Garden tour will be held June 9<sup>th</sup>.

Commissioner Perry gave an update regarding the Ferndale Public Schools. She also gave an update regarding Regional Transportation issues.

Mayor Castelli discussed the upcoming 45<sup>th</sup> District Court.

**Public Discussion**

Ms Carole Zupan, 18 Kenberton, has concerns regarding the dragon and where it will be placed after display.

Mr. Frank Stutcher, 85 Amherst, questioned whether the City is going to perform a sidewalk replacement program, concerns regarding water rates – where are they going, concerns regarding the basketball courts and tennis courts at Gainsboro Park.

Mr. Scott Pietrzak, Recreation Director, commented that the basketball rims were taken down due to safety and vandalism issues. The Recreation Commission has discussed this issue and the consensus was to leave the rims down. The City has made minor improvements to the tennis courts over the last 2 years.

Mr. Stutcher commented that Gainsboro Park could and should not be limited to only residents. The only issue he has personally with people at the basketball courts in the park is language, which he addressed with the participants. He feels there is not a problem with safety at the courts. Would like to have the basketball court be usable.

Mayor Castelli briefly discussed the water rate proposals considered by the City Commission during its budget workshop.

Mr. George Lenko, 32 Oakland Park, would favor a fixed cost proposal for water rates. Feels the fixed cost method would benefit all users.

**Consent Agenda**

**12-2825**

Motion by Commissioner Bushey, second by Commissioner Rubino, that the Consent Agenda, be approved, as recommended.

Adopted:                      Yeas: Commissioners Bushey, Rubino, Krzysiak, Perry, Mayor Castelli.  
   Nays:

**Resolution - Participation in the Oakland County Treasurer’s Investment Pool**

**12-2826**

Motion by Commissioner Rubino, second by Commissioner Bushey, that the resolution regarding the City’s participation in the Oakland County Treasurer’s Investment Pool, be approved, as recommended, and that the authorized signers with respect thereto be the same as with the City’s current banking relationships and that the City Clerk be authorized to certify those authorized signers to the Oakland County Treasurer. .

Adopted:                      Yeas: Commissioners Rubino, Bushey, Krzysiak, Perry, Mayor Castelli.  
   Nays:

**Oakland County West Nile Virus Fund Plan and Reimbursement**

**12-2827**

Motion by Commissioner Perry, second by Commissioner Rubino, that the City Manager be authorized to request reimbursement of approved expenses from the Oakland County West Nile Virus Fund, be approved, as recommended.

Adopted:                   Yeas: Commissioners Perry, Rubino, Bushey, Krzysiak, Mayor Castelli.  
                                  Nays:

**Appointments to the 45<sup>th</sup> District Court Management Council**

**12-2828**

Motion by Commissioner Rubino, second by Commissioner Bushey, that the Mayor, or his authorized designee, and City Attorney be appointed to the 45<sup>th</sup> District Court Management Council to assist in the preparation of a joint operating/management agreement between the five jurisdictions being serviced by the 45<sup>th</sup> District Court, be approved, as recommended.

Adopted:                   Yeas: Commissioners Rubino, Bushey, Krzysiak, Perry, Mayor Castelli.  
                                  Nays:

**Day of Books and Roses – Dragon Display in Park**

**12-2829**

Motion by Commissioner Krzysiak, second by Commissioner Perry, that the City of Pleasant allow use of Stevenson Park through April 23, 2012, to display an art sculpture and for an event that will promote and recognize World Book Day, April 22, 2012, based upon the requirement that the Ferndale Public Library Board and/or the City of Ferndale name the City of Pleasant Ridge as an additional named insured on its liability policy, as to the display of the dragon. If the policy is not obtained, the dragon art sculpture must be removed, by Friday, April 27, 2012.

Adopted:                   Yeas: Commissioners Krzysiak, Perry, Bushey, Rubino, Mayor Castelli.  
                                  Nays:

**Signage for Huntington Woods Library Event**

**12-2830**

Motion by Commissioner Rubino, second by Commissioner Perry, that the Friends of the Huntington Woods Library be permitted to erect a sign on Stevenson Park, not to exceed the existing event promotion sign currently in the park, to promote its event to be held Sunday, April 22, 2012.

Adopted:                   Yeas: Commissioners Rubino, Perry, Bushey, Krzysiak, Mayor Castelli.  
                                  Nays:

**Establishing Public Hearings – Tuesday, May 8, 2012**

**12-2831**

Motion by Commissioner Krzysiak, second by Commissioner Rubino, that the City Commission schedule a public hearing on Tuesday, May 8, 2012, at 7:30pm, to solicit public comments on an Ordinance to amend the Zoning Ordinance and an Ordinance to amend the Pleasant Ridge City Code regarding Outdoor Dining Areas, as recommended.

Adopted:                      Yeas: Commissioners Krzysiak , Rubino, Bushey, Perry, Mayor Castelli.  
   Nays:

**City Manager’s Report**

Antiques Roadshow/Appraisal Fair, Saturday, April 14, 2012, at 4 Ridge Road.

Huntington Woods Library Event, Sunday April 22, 2012, at 4 Ridge Road.

Recreation Commission Blood Drive, Wednesday, April 25, 2012, 4 Ridge Road.

**Other Business**

Commissioner Bushey commented about the Men’s Basketball program held at Roosevelt School, as an alternative to the basketball court at Gainsboro.

With no further business, Mayor Castelli adjourned the meeting at 9:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Ralph A. Castelli, Jr., Mayor

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Amy M. Allison, City Clerk