

OFFICIAL COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
FEBRUARY 20, 2024

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Harbor Beach was held on Tuesday, February 20, 2024 at City Hall. The meeting was called to order at 5:45p.m. by Mayor Guitar.

Present Capling, Wood, Woodke, Woodward, and Mayor Guitar
Absent: None

It was moved by Woodke, seconded by Woodward to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried. 5 years.

It was moved by Capling, seconded by Woodward to approve the February 5, 2024 Council and Committee meeting minutes. Motion carried. 5 years.

APPROVAL OF BILLS: It was moved by Capling, seconded by Woodke to approve payment of the February 2024 bills in the amount of \$125,827.53. Motion carried. 5 years.

It was moved by Capling, seconded by Woodke to approve the payment of the Townley Engineering LLC bill in the amount of \$3,095.00. Motion carried. 5 years.

It was moved by Woodward, seconded by Capling to approve the payment of the Simen, Figura & Parker, P.L.C bill in the amount of \$715.00. Motion carried. 5 years.

It was moved by Capling, seconded by Woodward to approve the payment of the Fire Board Subsidy bill in the amount of \$135,000.00. Motion carried. 5 years.

Public Comment: Michael Climer discussed increasing the Poverty Exemption Guidelines.

Unfinished Business: None

New Business: It was moved by Capling, seconded by Woodke to approve Harbor Beach Lions Club White Cane Event on May 17, 2024 and May 18, 2024. Motion carried. 5 years.

It was moved by Capling, seconded by Woodke to rescind Resolution # 2024-07 "Approval of Material Bid for Fencing for Waterfront Enhancement Project". Motion carried. 5 years.

Resolution # 2024-09 "Approval of Material for Fencing for the Waterfront Enhancement Project" was presented to Council. It was moved by Woodward, seconded by Capling to adopt Resolution #: 2024-09 as presented. The Resolution reads as follows: WHEREAS, the City of Harbor Beach is commencing with construction of the Waterfront Enhancement Project; and

WHEREAS, all requirements will be met by bidding contractors; and

WHEREAS, City employees will complete the majority of work on the project; and

WHEREAS, the City needs to purchase material to complete construction of a fence on the property line for the Waterfront Enhancement Project; and

WHEREAS, City Manager Wruble advertised for bids in local publications, city website, and solicited bids from several companies; and

WHEREAS, the City of Harbor Beach received four sealed bids; and

WHEREAS, The City received a bid from Farmers Co-Operative Grain Co. in the amount of \$7,200.90;

WHEREAS, City Manager Wruble is recommending to Council that they approve the bid most advantageous to the City of Harbor Beach;

WHEREAS, because of Michigan Department of Natural Resources Trust Fund Grant for development projects requires all bids over \$5,000.00 must be approved by the DNR of the State of Michigan before the bid is awarded; and

WHEREAS, State and Federal funds are being used to assist in construction of this project and relevant State and Federal requirements will apply. All contractors must comply with all requirements of 1976 PA 453 (Elliott-Larsen Civil Rights Act) and 1976 PA 220 (Persons with Disabilities Civil Rights Act), as amended. All contracts must contain a covenant by the contractor, subcontractor, or supplier not to discriminate against an employee or applicant for employment with respect to hire, tenure, terms, conditions or privileges of employment, because of race, color, religion, national origin, age, sex, height, weight, marital status or a disability that is unrelated to the individual's ability to perform the duties of a particular job or position;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Harbor Beach approves the bid for fencing material from Farmers Co-Operative Grain Co., at a cost of \$7,200.90 contingent on being approved by the Michigan Department of Natural Resources. Motion carried. 5 years.

It was moved by Wood, seconded by Woodward to waive the North Park Pavilion Rental fee for Zion's Vacation Bible School from Monday, June 17, 2024 through Thursday, June 20, 2024. Motion carried. 5 years.

Resolution # 2024-10 "2024 Poverty Exemption Guidelines" was presented to Council. The Resolution was tabled to further discuss changing the guidelines.

It was moved by Woodke, seconded by Woodward to approve selling the sail boat to Eric Smith. Motion carried. 5 years.

It was moved by Capling, seconded by Woodke to approve Fleis & Vandenbrink Proposal at an estimated cost of \$10,000.00. Motion carried. 5 years.

It was moved by Woodward, seconded by Woodke to enter into closed session at 5:58 p.m. to discuss Pending Litigation. Motion carried. 5 years.

It was moved by Capling, seconded by Woodke to move out of closed session at 6:27 p.m. Motion carried. 5 years.

There being no further business. It was moved by Capling, seconded by Woodward to adjourn the meeting at 6:28 p.m.

Kevin Guitar, Mayor

Jennifer Lackowski, Clerk