

DOWAGIAC CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Monday, June 1, 2016

A special meeting of the Dowagiac City Council was called to order by Mayor Pro Tem Leon Laylin at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor Pro Tem Leon Laylin led the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Leon D. Laylin, Charles K. Burling, James B. Dodd, Lori A. Hunt, Danielle E. Lucas, Bob B. Schuur and City Clerk Jane P. Wilson.

ABSENT: Mayor Donald D. Lyons

STAFF: City Manager Kevin P. Anderson, Finance Director Rebecca Grabemeyer, Airport Manager Oscar Azevedo.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Councilmember Dodd moved and Councilmember Hunt seconded that the minutes of the May 9, 2016 meeting be approved.

Approved unanimously.

COMMENTS FROM CITY COUNCIL (AGENDA)

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE (NON-AGENDA)

COMMUNICATIONS

1. Request to block Tuthill Alley for Graduation Party, June 4th.

Councilmember Schuur moved and Councilmember Hunt seconded to approve the request.

2. Airport Fly Day, July 1st.

Councilmember Burling moved and Councilmember Dodd seconded to approve the request.

PUBLIC HEARING

1. A public hearing to receive comment on the Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget.

A public hearing was held to receive input regarding the proposed Fiscal Year 2016-17 Budget.

Mayor Pro-Tem Laylin opened a public hearing at 7:10 p.m. for public comment.

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- Electric Utility
- Dial-A Ride Transportation (DART)
- Sewer Utility
- Water Utility
- Motor Pool/Equipment
- Computer Replacement
- Health/Drug Self Insurance
- Self Insurance - Liability
- Cemetery Trust
- Retiree Health Insurance
- Fire Insurance Escrow

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Dowagiac, by the affirmative vote of its City Council, does hereby adopt the aforementioned budgets, which are contained in the budget document submitted to the City Council and placed on file with the City Clerk, for the year beginning October 1, 2016 and ending September 30, 2017.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that there is hereby levied an Ad Valorem Property Tax as indicated below, based upon the Taxable Valuation of the City in conformance with the General Property Tax Act:

14.1521 Mills - General Fund Operations	
0.5500 Mills - Dial-A-Ride (DART) Fund Operations	
<u>2.6000 Mills - Solid Waste Fund Operations</u>	
17.3021	TOTAL MILLAGE

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Manager is hereby given the authority to make transfers between departments or funds of amounts up to \$15,000 without prior approval of the City Council to maintain a balanced budget in conformance with the Michigan Uniform Accounting and Budgeting Act.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Treasurer's office is authorized to assess a 1% property tax administration fee to offset the costs incurred by the City for assessing property values and for the collecting and accounting of property taxes.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a late penalty fee of 4% of the City tax levy shall be added to those delinquent City taxes, which remain unpaid as of September 15, 2016.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that all delinquent property taxes collected on or after September 15, 2016 shall have an additional 1% added per each month thereafter to the outstanding balance due.

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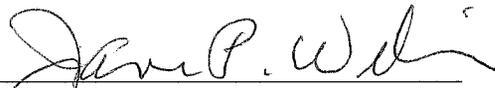
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Upon motion by Councilmember Dodd and seconded by Councilmember Lucas, the Dowagiac City Council adjourned at 7:17 PM.



Leon D. Laylin, Mayor Pro Tem



Jane P. Wilson, City Clerk