

REGULAR MEETING

The meeting was called to order at 8:00 p.m., Mayor Steven M. Brown presiding.

Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Invocation by Rev. Jim James of Dix United Methodist Church

PRESENT: Councilpersons Mariano DiSanto, Jeanne Hancock, Mark Kandes, Donald Mandernach, Virginia Mondon and Thomas Murphy

ALSO PRESENT: City Attorney Ed Zelenak and City Clerk Donna Breeding

Mayor's remarks

RESOLUTION 03-183 Minutes

By Councilwoman Mondon, supported by Councilwoman Hancock

RESOLVED, that the minutes of the Regular Meeting held under the date of April 15, 2003 be approved as recorded.

Motion carried.

ABSTAIN: Councilman Mandernach

(NOTE: A Special Meeting held 4-14-03 at 7:35 p.m. re: Review of Fire Department Computer Software and Grants)

RESOLUTION 03-184 Auth. to solicit/Lions Club

By Councilwoman Mondon, supported by Councilman Murphy

RESOLVED, that the Lincoln Park Lions Club be granted permission to solicit donations in front of various businesses in the City of Lincoln Park from April 25, 2003 through May 4, 2003.

All reporting provisions of the local ordinance to be timely observed.

Motion unanimously carried.

PROCLAIM "LIONS WHITE CANE WEEK", April 25-May 4, 2003 in Lincoln Park

CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION were presented to Employees of the DPS from the Lincoln Park American Little League for their continued effort in preparing the ball fields for the Little League opening day.

RESOLUTION 03-185 Accounts & Claims Payable

By Councilwoman Mondon, supported by Councilman DiSanto

RESOLVED, that the Accounts & Claims Payable as presented by the Controller to the Mayor & Council be approved as follows:

Warrant Report: \$629,971.03

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 03-186 Lift hiring freeze/Patrol Officer

By Councilwoman Hancock, supported by Councilman Mandernach

RESOLVED, that the Mayor and Council authorize that the hiring freeze be suspended to permit the hiring of **one probationary patrol officer** to fill the vacancy which was caused by the retirement of Sgt. Edwin Westbay and the promotion of Sergeant Daniel Smith, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the hiring of one probationary patrol officer, the hiring freeze will be reinstated.

Motion unanimously carried.

RESOLUTION 03-187 Attend Training/Homeland Security

By Councilwoman Hancock, supported by Councilwoman Mondon

RESOLVED, that **Deputy Chief Gordon Loveday, Deputy Chief Mark Hendricks and Sergeant/Engineer James Yuh** be allowed to attend the **Michigan Homeland Security Training Conference** "Meeting the Challenge" held by the Michigan State Police Emergency Management Division, to be held in Gaylord, Michigan on **April 30 through May 2, 2003**. Cost for registration fees not to exceed \$600.00, costs for lodging not to exceed \$585.00, costs for meals not to exceed \$450.00 and transportation costs are limited to fuel, not to exceed \$20.00 as transportation will be provided by a City vehicle. Total costs for the Fire Department are not to exceed \$1,100.00, funds to come from **Fire Account 101-340-960 Training**. Total costs for the Police Department are not to exceed \$555.00, funds to come from **Police Account 101-305-960 Training**.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all costs are to be reimbursed to the Police Training funds and the Fire Training funds from the Emergency Planning Grant Fund.

Motion unanimously carried.

PUBLIC HEARING called to order at 8:40 p.m., by Mayor Steven M. Brown, regarding Consent Decree Operation and Maintenance Requirements

PRESENT: Councilpersons Mariano DiSanto, Jeanne Hancock, Mark Kandes, Donald Mandernach, Virginia Mondon, Thomas Murphy, Rob Rochon of Hennessey Engineers, City Attorney Edward Zelenak and City Clerk Donna Breeding

This Public Hearing is to consider the project of improvement of county drains, including cleaning and inspection. Said work shall be performed through the auspices of the Ecourse Creek Pollution Abatement Drain No.1 Project, pursuant to the Operation and Maintenance requirements under Section 12J of the Consent Decree, United States District Court Case No. 87-70322, dated February 11, 1994. Costs shall be paid through an assessment to the property owners within the City of Lincoln Park using the current special assessment district and county tax levy.

NOTE: Written comments were received from two Lincoln Park Taxpayers and placed on file in the City Clerk's Office.

**PUBLIC ATTENDANCE EXCEEDED SITTING CAPACITY IN COUNCIL CHAMBERS
PUBLIC COMMENT**

General consensus of citizens who addressed Mayor & Council is to place this assessment on the Winter/County tax bill.

There being no further comment the **PUBLIC HEARING ADJOURNED AT 9:50 P.M.**
REGULAR MEETING RECONVENED

CITIZENS COMMUNICATIONS

ORAL REPORTS OF THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:37 p.m.

STEVEN M. BROWN, MAYOR

DONNA BREEDING, CITY CLERK