

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BUCHANAN CITY COMMISSION
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 08, 2022 – 6:00 PM
CHAMBER OF BUCHANAN CITY HALL - 302 N REDBUD TRAIL, BUCHANAN MI

MINUTES

THE COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF BUCHANAN, in compliance with Michigan’s Open Meetings Act, hereby gives notice of a regular meeting of the Buchanan City Commission to be held in the Chamber of City Hall.

** Requests to be added to the agenda as a “Scheduled Matter from the Floor” should be submitted in writing to the City Clerk at least 5 business days prior to the scheduled meeting during which the speaker wishes to appear, and the approval of such requests remain within the discretion of the Mayor. If denied, the speaker may nonetheless speak during the “non-agenda items only” public comments section of the agenda.*

** Those who are unable to appear during a meeting but who still wish to share public comment may submit such comments in written form to the City Clerk at least 4 hours in advance of the meeting.*

** Individuals with disabilities may request necessary reasonable accommodations by submitting requests to the City Clerk, preferably at least 24 hours in advance.*

** Written requests and comments may be submitted to the City Clerk either in person or via mail to Buchanan City Hall, 302 N. Redbud Trail, Buchanan, MI 49107, or via email to clerk@cityofbuchanan.com*

I. Call to Order

Mayor Denison called the meeting to order at 6:01 P.M.

II. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Denison led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. Roll Call

Present: Mayor Sean Denison, Mayor Pro Tem Mark Weedon, Commissioner Cameron Downey, Commissioner Larry Money, Commissioner Patrick Swem

Absent: None

City Staff: City Manager; Heather Grace, City Clerk; Kalla Langston, City Attorney; Matt Derby & Mitt Drew

IV. Approve Agenda

Motion made by Weedon, seconded by Downey to approve the presented agenda. Roll call vote carries unanimously.

V. Public Comment - Agenda Items Only (3-minute limit)

Dan Vigansky- concerned about the BARB Committee.

VI. Unfinished Business

A. DPW report regarding Third Street & DPW Building

Grace and Mayor updated the Commission on Third Street project about getting on the schedule for Sledge and waiting on materials needed for the project.

VII. New Business

A. 1) Closed Session- consider entering Closed Session pursuant to MCL 15.268 Sec. 8(1)(d) & (h) to consider the purchase or lease of real property and to discuss matters subject to attorney-client privilege. Roll call vote carried unanimously.

- B. Motion made by Swem, seconded by Money to enter Closed Session pursuant to MCL 15.268 Sec. 8(1)(d) & (h) to consider the purchase or lease of real property and to discuss matters subject to attorney-client privilege at 6:06 PM.

2) *Open Session*- Consider re-entering Open Session

Motion made by Weedon, seconded by Money to re-enter open session at 7:22 PM. Roll call vote carries unanimously.

3) *Action*- Consider action based on Closed Session discussions

Motion made by Weedon seconded by Money to authorize the City Administration to any necessary actions pursuant to matter discussed in Closed Session. Roll call vote carries unanimously.

VIII. Public Comment - Non-Agenda Items Only *(3-minute limit)*

None

IX. Executive Comments

A. City Manager Comments

Grace sharing that there is going to be some great sponsorship materials for Thrill on the Hill next week to two weeks. Ticket sales will be forth coming, very excited for the event. For anyone who hasn't seen the concert series event line up to check it out it's fantastic.

Follow up meeting from the mini national park that Murphy had pitched a while ago, is still in the running, no amounts yet for the grant.

The BARB meeting was trying to reschedule, for this month. The treasurer was cut out because the city runs handles the money, there was no need to have a treasurer for that board.

B. Commissioner Comments

Weedon, Main Street Committee is going well as well as the subcommittees. It's a very strong group, starting to pull together a website. It's very exciting to see the progress and constructive criticism. Next year Weedon has suggested a 5K race with the race ending at the hill and they could go down the hill. Different details working out between making it a big event.

Swem, excited to have the meeting scheduled with the new treasurer to talk over the budget.

Downey, building at west wind has been torn down.

Money, come out and celebrate Buchanan High School 100th year. The new sign looks great as well.

C. Mayor Comments

Denison, the parade went great, DPW did a nice job getting everything cleaned up. Wanted to commend Commissioner Money the city needs more people like you. You should be fishing and retired but Money steps up constantly for the community.

X. Adjourn

Motion made by Weedon, seconded by Money to adjourn at 7:30 PM. Roll call vote carries unanimously.

Kalla Langston, City Clerk

Mayor Sean Denison