



# **GLADSTONE CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING**

City Hall Chambers – 1100 Delta Avenue

May 08, 2023

6:00 PM

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## **MINUTES**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Joe Thompson, Commissioners Judy Akkala, Brad Mantela and Robert Pontius

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Greg Styczynski - Excused

Mayor Thompson called the meeting to order; gave the invocation and Clerk Berry called the roll.

Mayor Thompson opened the public hearing for Appropriation Ordinance No. 2023-628 at 6:04 PM. No public present so Mayor Thompson closed the public hearing.

Motion by Commissioner Mantela; seconded by Mayor Thompson to approve Appropriations Ordinance No. 2023-628:

### **CITY OF GLADSTONE ORDINANCE NO. 2023-628**

**AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR FOR THE CITY OF GLADSTONE, MICHIGAN FROM APRIL 1, 2023 THRU MARCH 31, 2024 TO DEFRAY THE DEBTS, EXPENDITURES & LIABILITIES LEVYING THE AMOUNTS THEREOF NECESSARY TO BE RAISED BY TAXATION TO BE LEVIED ON THE NEXT CITY OF GLADSTONE JULY 2023 TAX ROLL, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING AND REQUIRING THE LEVYING ON THE JULY 2023 CITY AND DECEMBER 2023 GENERAL TAX ROLLS OF ALL THE DELINQUENT AND UNPAID SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS, TOGETHER WITH PENALTIES THEREOF AS PROVIDED BY THE CITY TREASURER.**

#### **THE CITY OF GLADSTONE ORDAINS:**

**Section I.** That pursuant to the provisions of the Charter of the City of Gladstone, and the provisions of the budget as adopted by the City Commission, appropriations are hereby made for the current fiscal year from April 1, 2023 thru March 31, 2024 for the assessments and purposes hereinafter designated as follows:

General Government	\$1,121,489.00
Cemetery	\$96,511.00
Public Safety	\$1,852,662.00
General Public Works	\$545,859.00
Parks & Recreation	\$1,194,463.00

**Section II.** That of the amounts appropriated in Section I of this ordinance, there shall be raised by taxation upon all 2023 tax levy the tentative sum of \$1,691,887.00 for the purpose of defraying the debts, expenditures, and liabilities of said City of Gladstone for the current fiscal year from April 1, 2023 thru March 31, 2024.

**Section III.** The City Clerk shall certify to the City Assessor tentative sum of \$1,691,887.00 to be levied upon the assessed valuation of all taxable property within the City of Gladstone on the General City of Gladstone July 2023 tax roll for the said City of Gladstone and laws of the State of Michigan.

**Section IV.** The City Clerk of the City of Gladstone shall report by June 15, 2023 and November 15, 2023 to the City Assessor of said City of Gladstone the amounts of all the several delinquent Special Assessments returned unpaid by the City Treasurer on such dates for all public improvements heretofore levied and assessed, together with the description of such lots and the amount(s) of the assessment levied upon such, together with the names of the owners whom such assessments were made, as contained in the Special Assessment Roll(s) prepared therefore and on file in the office of the City Treasurer, and the City Assessor is hereby authorized and directed to levy and spread the sums so assessed together with penalties as fixed against the persons and property respectively charged therewith in such special Assessment Rolls, in accordance with provisions of the City Charter of the City of Gladstone.

**Section V.** This ordinance shall be published and take effect ten (10) days after its publication.

Commissioner Mantela	Yes
Commissioner Akkala	Yes
Commissioner Pontius	Yes
Commissioner Styczynski	Absent - Excused
Mayor Thompson	Yes

MOTION CARRIED

PUBLIC COMMENT - None

Motion by Commissioner Akkala; seconded by Commissioner Mantela to approve the consent agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Commissioner Mantela; seconded by Mayor Joe Thompson to set a public hearing for 6:00 PM May 22, 2023 at Gladstone City Hall to receive input for the Water Department Drinking Water State Revolving Fund (DWSRF) project plan.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion by Mayor Thompson; seconded by Commissioner Akkala to approve the 2023 special events list.

MOTION CARRIED

City Manager Eric Buckman reported on the following:

- Vicki Schroeder and I met with Mr. Chris Katona representative from MMRMA the city's liability insurance
- Commissioner Styczynski and I met with POLC negotiations – tentative agreement forthcoming
- Commissioner Styczynski and I met with IBEW - Electric negotiations – tentative agreement forthcoming
- Met with City Attorney regarding the Radford property; lease should be long-term with perpetual easement to city or reverter clause property goes to the city
- Met with City Attorney regarding Irish Oaks Golf Course; new real estate attorney for city, need title insurance on splits, zoning on new split, access to city property a must and both parties were warned ahead of time

Clerk Berry noted that there was a delay in sound at the beginning of the meeting but is fixed.

Motion by Commissioner Akkala; seconded by Commissioner Mantela to table the City Manager and City Clerk evaluation until Monday, May 22, 2023 when a full commission is present.

MOTION CARRIED

There being no further business before the Commission, Mayor Thompson adjourned the meeting at 6:43 PM.

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Joe Thompson, Mayor

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Kimberly Berry, Clerk