

GLADSTONE



GLADSTONE CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

City Hall Chambers – 1100 Delta Avenue

April 22, 2024

6:00 PM

MINUTES

Mayor Joe Thompson called the meeting to order; Commissioner Pontius gave the Invocation followed the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Kim Berry called the roll:

PRESENT

Mayor Joe Thompson

Mayor Pro-Tem Brad Mantela

Commissioner Robert Pontius

Commissioner Greg Styczynski

ABSENT

Commissioner Judy Akkala - Excused

Mayor Thompson turned the meeting over to Commissioner Styczynski who announced he has submitted his letter to Clerk Kim Berry as follows:

Greg Styczynski

22.5 N 7th St
Gladstone, MI 49837
(906) 553-5550
greg.styczynski70@gmail.com

22nd April 2024

Kim Berry

Clerk, City of Gladstone
1100 Delta Ave
Gladstone, MI 49837

Dear Kim,

I regret to inform you that I will be moving outside of the city limits of Gladstone and, as such, will be ineligible to serve on the city commission, thus I am submitting my resignation effective today April 22, 2024.

It has been a pleasure working with city officials and staff and I look forward to continuing to be a part of the community fabric in other capacities.

Sincerely,

Greg Styczynski

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The Commission thanked Commissioner Styczynski for his service, and he will be missed. Commissioner Styczynski left the Commission table at 6:07PM

Motion made by Mayor Thompson, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela to place Commissioner Styczynski's letter of resignation on file.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Thompson opened the Public Hearing to receive public input for the Water Department Application to USDA Rural Development at 6:08 PM

The following individual spoke:

Mike O'Connor/Gladstone Citizens Council 526 Minnesota Avenue
Coleman Engineer, Mr. Gary Lessard

There being no further public input Mayor Thompson closed the public hearing at 6:18 PM.

Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela, Seconded by Commissioner Pontius to authorize the Water Department to file an application for federal financial assistance with the US Department of Agriculture, Rural Development.

MOTION CARRIED

Mayor Thompson opened the public hearing to receive input on Proposed Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Appropriations Ordinance No. 2024-630 at 6:22 PM.

The following individual spoke:

Mike O'Connor/Gladstone Citizens Council - 526 Minnesota Avenue/921 Delta Avenue

There being no further public input Mayor Thomson closed the public hearing at 6:25 PM.

Motion made by Mayor Thompson, Seconded by Commissioner Pontius to table approval of proposed Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Appropriations Ordinance No. 2024-630 to the next regular meeting on Monday, May 13, 2024 as four commissioners are required to adopt an ordinance.

MOTION CARRIED

The following individuals spoke under public comment:

Mike O'Connor/Gladstone Citizens Council 526 Minnesota Avenue/921 Delta Avenue

Jeff Waeghe, 802 Wisconsin Avenue

Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela, Seconded by Mayor Thompson to approve the consent agenda as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Gladstone Downtown Development Authority Coordinator, Patricia West and Community Development/Zoning Administrator, Renee Barron presented the 2024 City of Gladstone Master Plan Amendment.

Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela; seconded by Commissioner Pontius to approve the distribution of the 2024 City of Gladstone proposed Master Plan amendment for review and comment to the required entities as established by the Michigan State University Extension Land Use Series Checklist #11: Adoption of an Amendment to the Plan, step 8 - with 42 days to respond to the Gladstone Planning Commission.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela, Seconded by Mayor Thompson to approve the bid from Fox Marquette for 2024, 2500HD for \$60,601 along with the bid alternatives 1 & 2 (Bosk Plow and rust proofing) for a total cost of \$64,024.50 for the Department of Public Works.

MOTION CARRIED



TREE CITY USA
An Arbor Day Foundation Program

OFFICIAL PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS in 1872, the Nebraska Board of Agriculture established a special day to be set aside for the planting of trees, *and*

WHEREAS this holiday, called Arbor Day, was first observed with the planting of more than a million trees in Nebraska, *and*

WHEREAS Arbor Day is now observed throughout the nation and the world, *and*

WHEREAS trees can be a solution to combating climate change by reducing the erosion of our precious topsoil by wind and water, cutting heating and cooling costs, moderating the temperature, cleaning the air, producing life-giving oxygen, and providing habitat for wildlife, *and*

WHEREAS trees are a renewable resource giving us paper, wood for our homes, fuel for our fires, and countless other wood products, *and*

WHEREAS trees in our city increase property values, enhance the economic vitality of business areas, and beautify our community, *and*

WHEREAS trees — wherever they are planted — are a source of joy and spiritual renewal.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Joe Thompson, Mayor of the City of Gladstone, do hereby proclaim April 26, 2024 as **ARBOR DAY** In the City of Gladstone, and I urge all citizens to celebrate Arbor Day and to support efforts to protect our trees and woodlands, *and*

FURTHER, I urge all citizens to plant trees to gladden the heart and promote the well-being of this and future generations.

DATED THIS 22nd day of April, 2024

Mayor _____

Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela, Seconded by Commissioner Pontius to approve the Right of Way Permit Application, Requirements & Conditions, and fee of \$25.00.

MOTION CARRIED.

Motion made by Mayor Thompson, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela to refer the Establishment of Land Based Mooring Field back to the Gladstone Parks & Recreation Advisory Board to include size restrictions.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela, Seconded by Mayor Thompson to approve the American Legion Riders Post 71 - Hot Rods & Harleys on Thursday, June 20, 2024, July 18, 2024, and August 22, 2024 with authorization to block off the road between Delta Avenue to Superior Avenue and 8th Street.

MOTION CARRIED

Manager Buckman reported on the following:

- Attended the DATA Board, Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, Safety Meeting and DDA monthly meetings.
- Conducted Supervisors evaluations
- Community Development Director, Renee Barron and I met with Miller Canfield attorney regarding purchase agreement for North Shore
- Met with interview committee to select Parks & Recreation Director candidates for interviews
- Held our last Financial Opportunity Committee meeting
- City of Gladstone Building Permits

Thank you, Commissioner Greg Styczynski, for your service. It was a pleasure working with you, Congratulations on your new home.

There being no further business before the Commission, Mayor Thompson adjourned the meeting at 7:35 PM.

Mayor Joe Thompson

Clerk Kimberly Berry