

GLADSTONE



GLADSTONE CITY COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

City Hall Chambers – 1100 Delta Avenue
May 13, 2024
6:00 PM

MINUTES

Mayor Joe Thompson called the meeting to order, gave the Invocation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Clerk Kimberly Berry called the roll:

PRESENT

Mayor Joe Thompson
Commissioner Judy Akkala
Mayor Pro-Tem Brad Mantela
Commissioner Robert Pontius

ABSENT - NONE

VACANCY - ONE

The following individuals spoke under Public Comment:

Steve Viau, Delta County Commissioner

Kaylee & Jason Hamre, Owners of Orange Cat Media

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

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela, Seconded by Commissioner Pontius to approve Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Appropriation Ordinance No. 2024-630:

CITY OF GLADSTONE ORDINANCE NO. 2024-630

AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR FOR THE CITY OF GLADSTONE, MICHIGAN FROM APRIL 1, 2024 THRU MARCH 31, 2025 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 2024 TAX ROLL, AND FURTHER AUTHORIZING AND REQUIRING THE LEVYING ON THE JULY 2024 CITY AND DECEMBER 2024 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, 2024 thru March 31, 2025 for the assessments and purposes hereinafter designated as follows:

General Government	\$1,379,277.00
Cemetery	\$121,810.00
Public Safety	\$2,117,216.00
General Public Works	\$468,953.00
Parks & Recreation	\$657,430.00

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 \$1,732,172.00 for the purpose of defraying the debts, expenditures, and liabilities of said City of Gladstone for the current fiscal year from April 1, 2024 thru March 31, 2025.

Section III. The City Clerk shall certify to the City Assessor tentative sum of \$1,732,172.00 to be levied upon the assessed valuation of all taxable property within the City of Gladstone on the General City of Gladstone July 2024 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, 2024 and November 15, 2024 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.

Introduced: 04-08-2024
Published: 04-16-2024 DAILY PRESS
Public Hearing: 04-22-2024
Adopted: 05-13-2024
Published: 05-20-2024
Effective: 05-30-2024

CITY OF GLADSTONE

By: _____

Joseph Thompson, Mayor

By: _____

Kimberly Berry, City Clerk

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Commissioner Akkala, Seconded by Commissioner Pontius to approve the first City of Gladstone/Music Co-op of Delta County Open Mic Night Special Event for Saturday, June 15, 2024 at the Gladstone Beach House from 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Commissioner Pontius, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela to table to Monday, May 28, 2024 6:00 PM Special Commission Meeting the Digital Marketing Proposal for the City of Gladstone to firm up the budget breakdown and reach out to Visit Escanaba.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Mayor Thompson, Seconded by Commissioner Akkala to approve request for disbursement of funds draw #22 totaling \$266,454.00 for the Wastewater Upgrades Project.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Mayor Thompson, Seconded by Commissioner Pontius to approve the 2024 Electric Pole Replacement Bid of B & B Electric in the amount of \$67,860.00.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela, Seconded by Mayor Thompson to approve the 2024 Electric Line Clearance Bid of Dombrowski Tree in the amount of \$13,250.00.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Commissioner Akkala, Seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela to approve the Federal Awards Administration Policy of April 2024 as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Commissioner Akkala, Seconded by Commissioner Pontius to approve the permit for 2024 City of Gladstone 4th of July Fireworks Display & Operator for \$9,000.00 from Spielbauer Fireworks.

MOTION CARRIED

Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela, Seconded by Mayor Thompson to set a special meeting for Tuesday, May 28, 2024 at 6:00 PM to make up for the canceled meeting on Monday, May 28, 2024 due to the Memorial Holiday.

MOTION CARRIED

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NO. 2024-324
RESOLUTION NO. 2024-02-01
(Act 33 Police and Fire Protection)

City of Gladstone
County of Delta, State of Michigan

Minutes of a regular meeting of the City Commission of the City of Gladstone, County of Delta, State of Michigan, held in the City on May 13, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time.

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

ABSENT: Commissioners: None

VACANCY: One

The following preamble and resolution were offered by Commissioner Brad Mantela and supported by Commissioner Judy Akkala:

WHEREAS, the City Commission of the City of Gladstone, County of Delta, State of Michigan, pursuant to Act 33, Public Acts of Michigan, 1951, as amended, and Act 188, Public Acts of Michigan, 1954, as amended, on its own initiative, tentatively declares its intent to create a special assessment district to pay for certain costs and expenses of police and fire motor vehicles, apparatus, equipment, housing and operations and assess the costs thereof (the "Assessed Costs") to the property specially benefitted by said police and fire protection in the special assessment district tentatively described in Exhibit A attached hereto and made a part hereof; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission has caused to be prepared estimates of the Assessed Costs which have been received by the City Commission and are on file with the City Clerk; and

WHEREAS, the City Commission desires to fix the day for a hearing on the estimates of the Assessed Costs and on the question of creating the special assessment district.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

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

NAYS: None

VACANCY: One

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

Kimberly Berry, City Clerk

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City Commission of the City of Gladstone, County of Delta, State of Michigan, at a regular meeting held on May 13, 2024, and that said meeting was conducted and public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public

Acts of Michigan, 1976, as amended, and that the minutes of said meeting were kept and will be or have been made available as required by said Act.

Kimberly Berry, City Clerk

EXHIBIT A
Tentative Special Assessment District

The special assessment district shall consist of all of the lots and parcels of land within the City of Gladstone, County of Delta, State of Michigan. The boundaries of the special assessment district shall match the boundaries of the City.

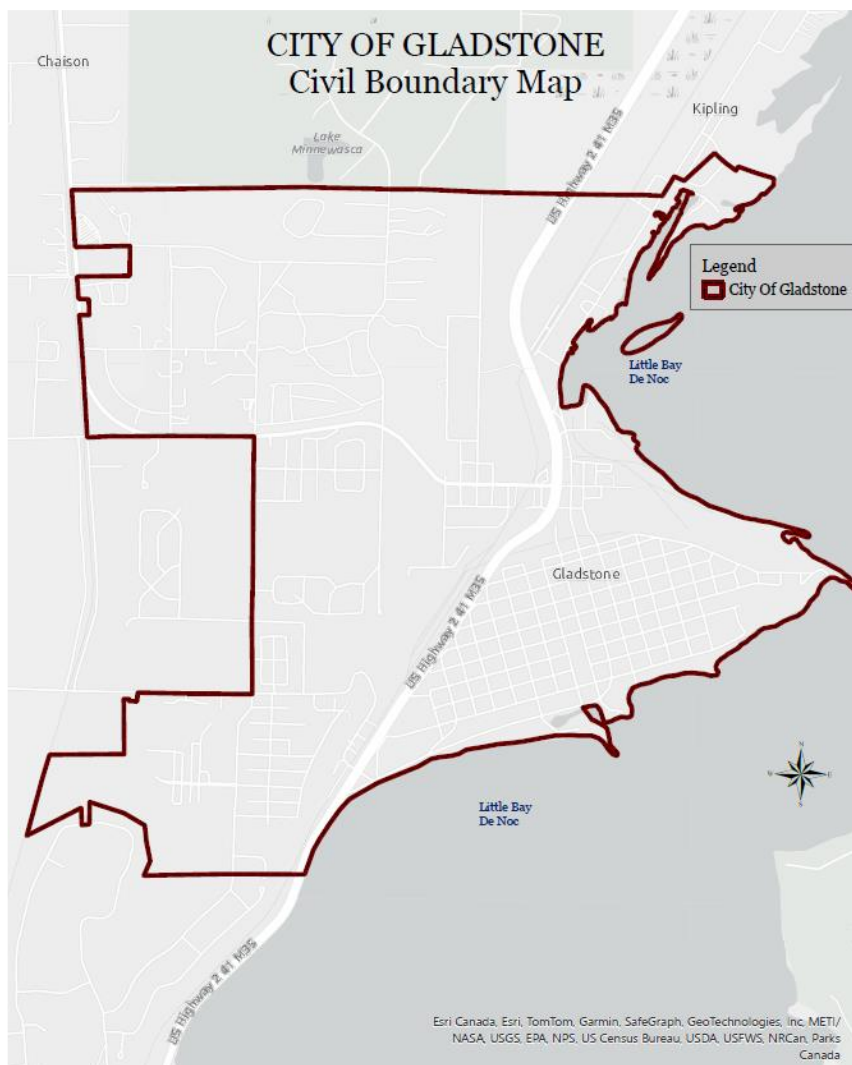
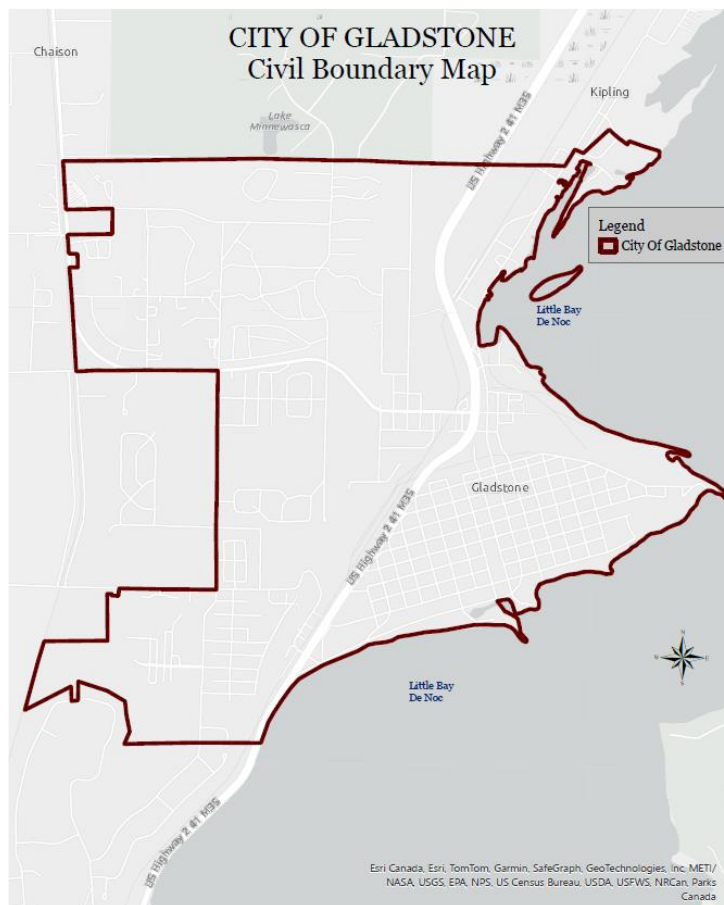


EXHIBIT B

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON SPECIAL ASSESSMENTS
FOR POLICE AND FIRE PROTECTION COSTS AND EXPENSES
BY THE CITY COMMISSION OF
THE CITY OF GLADSTONE
TO ALL OWNERS OF THE
FOLLOWING-DESCRIBED LANDS:

All of the lots and parcels of land within the City of Gladstone, County of Delta, State of Michigan. The boundaries of the special assessment district shall match the boundaries of the City.



TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the provisions of Act 33, Public Acts of Michigan, 1951, as amended, and Act 188, Public Acts of Michigan, 1954, as amended, the City Commission of the City of Gladstone has tentatively declared its intention to proceed with special assessments to cover certain police and fire protection costs and expenses.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the City Commission has tentatively declared its intention to pay for such police and fire protection costs and expenses and tentatively designated all lots and parcels of land within the City of Gladstone as a special assessment district against which all or part of the cost of said police and fire protection costs and expenses is to be assessed.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that the City Commission has caused to be prepared estimates of the police and fire protection costs and expenses which have been filed with the City Clerk and are available for public examination at City Hall during regular business hours.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Commission will meet on Tuesday, the 28th day of May, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., Eastern Daylight Time, at City Hall Chambers, 1100 Delta Avenue, Gladstone, Michigan, to hear suggestions and objections regarding the estimates of the police and fire protection costs and expenses and on the question of creating the special assessment district therefor.

Kimberly Berry
City Clerk

Motion made by Mayor Pro-Tem Mantela, Seconded by Mayor Thompson to direct Clerk Kim Berry to advertise in the Daily Press, UP Action News, City of Gladstone website and social media pages the Commissioner vacant seat with the Commission accepting letters of interest, resume and fully completed City Commission Appointment Application from qualified residents until Monday, June 17, 2024 at 4:00 PM. The Commission will place the appointment on its regular City Commission meeting agenda of Monday, June 24, 2024 at 6:00 PM Gladstone City Hall.

MOTION CARRIED

City Manager Eric Buckman reported on the following:

- Offered the Parks & Recreation Director position to Wendy Taavola
- Received notification we have received funding for the Harbor Grant \$172,800 State funding and \$181,000 local funding
- 4th of July meeting conducted Kristin Madalinski and Robert Brown taking the lead for a great celebration this year
- Started negotiations with Supervisors 906
- Renee Barron and I met with potential developer of the North Shore
- Working on Public Safety Special Assessment
- Condolences to Renee and Tim Barron on the loss of their Mother, Linda Barron.

City Clerk reported on the following:

The City of Gladstone launched the new website www.gladstonemi.gov please check it out. We have discovered that the option to subscribe to receive an email when an agenda packet is uploaded to the website is not working on the new site. We are working with Civic Plus to correct the notification however agenda packets for all boards are still available. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at kberry@gladstonemi.gov

There being no further business before the Commission, Mayor Thompson adjourned the meeting at 8:11 PM.

Joseph Thompson, Mayor

Kimberly Berry, City Clerk