

**OWOSSO CITY COUNCIL**

**JULY 21, 2008**

**7:30 P.M.**

**PRESIDING OFFICER:** MAYOR MICHAEL E. BRUFF

**OPENING PRAYER:** PASTOR JOHN DOWNING  
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** MICHAEL TILLOTSON

**PRESENT:** Mayor Michael E. Bruff, Mayor Pro-Tem Mark D. Owen, Councilpersons Michael N. Cline, Joni M. Forster, Benjamin R. Frederick, Gary W. Martenis, and Jason D. Simmons.

**ABSENT:** None.

**APPROVE AGENDA**

Motion by Councilperson Forster to approve the agenda as presented with removal of the appointment of Gary Brown to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Motion supported by Councilperson Simmons and concurred in by unanimous vote.

**APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF JULY 7, 2008**

Motion by Councilperson Simmons to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 7, 2008 as presented.

Motion supported by Councilperson Cline and concurred in by unanimous vote.

**SPECIAL PRESENTATION**

**VSCI GRANT REVIEW**

Economic Development & Neighborhood Services Director Brent Morgan and Utilities, Engineering, & Public Services Director Ronald Baker reviewed the Vibrant Small Cities Grant Initiative projects and the Michigan Economic Development Grant Project touching specifically on the Walk of History, the Riverwalk, and plans for the old hotel site. Bid openings for the projects will be held July 24<sup>th</sup> and July 28<sup>th</sup>.

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**PUBLIC HEARING - ORDINANCE AMENDMENT**

Building Official John F. Archer detailed the changes to the ordinance indicating the PUD designation reference in Section 38-26 had been inadvertently missed when the designation was established in 2004.

The public hearing was held to receive citizen comment regarding proposed amendment to Chapter 38, *Zoning*, Article II, Zoning Districts and Map, Section 38-26, Districts established of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Owosso, Michigan.

The following persons addressed the Council:

Teresa Skaryd inquired as to whether the value of your house is based on where you live in the City.

Lisa Stechschulte inquired what sort of developments the PUD designation would allow. It was noted the idea behind the PUD is to redevelop obsolete properties into multiuse facilities similar to the Woodard Station Development.

Whereas, the City Council, after due and legal notice, has met and having heard all interested persons, motion by Councilperson Martenis that the following Ordinance be adopted:

**ORDINANCE NO. 700**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 38, ZONING, ARTICLE II, ZONING DISTRICTS AND MAP, SECTION 38-26, DISTRICTS ESTABLISHED, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF OWOSSO, MICHIGAN TO REFLECT THE ADDITION OF THE PUD ZONING DISTRICT

THE CITY OF OWOSSO ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. THE CITY OF OWOSSO ORDAINS: That Section 38-26, Districts established, of Chapter 38, *Zoning*, Article II, Zoning Districts and Map, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**ARTICLE II.**

**ZONING DISTRICTS AND MAP**

**Sec. 38-26. Districts established.**

For the purpose of this chapter, the city is hereby divided into the following districts:

*Residential districts.*

R-1 one-family residential district

R-2 two-family residential district

RT attached one-family residential district

RM-1 multiple-family residential district--Low rise

RM-2 multiple-family residential district--High rise

*Nonresidential districts.*

OS-1 office service district

B-1 local business district

B-2 planned shopping center district

B-3 central business district

B-4 general business district

I-1 light industrial district

I-2 general industrial district

P-1 vehicular parking district

C-OS conservation-open space district

**Combination districts.**

**PUD planned unit development district**

Section 2. This ordinance shall become effective August 10, 2008.

Section 3. This Ordinance may be purchased or inspected in the City Clerk's Office Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Motion supported by Councilperson Cline.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Frederick, Forster, Mayor Pro-Tem Owen, Councilpersons Martenis, Cline, Simmons, and Mayor Bruff.

NAYS: None.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

Kevin M. Brown, 217 Curwood Castle Drive, detailed past efforts to raise funds for Holman Pool and asked Council to place a millage renewal on the November ballot.

Sheila Hockman, 705 Campbell Drive, said a group was forming to place the burning question on the ballot, she invited others to join her in the effort. She detailed the changes she would like to see to reduce burning in the City and asked that a monthly report be issued detailing burning ordinance violations.

Marcia Ladd, 735 Lingle Avenue, Parks and Recreation Commission member, commented on the value of the pool to all area children and urged Council to seek a millage renewal for the pool in November. She further commented on her desire to see Council make changes to the burning ordinance with children in mind.

Lisa Stechschulte, 725 River Street, relayed statistics on the effects of smoke on infants, children, teens, and adults. She expressed her concern with enforcement issues and asked Council to protect the health of citizens in the City.

Gerald Strachota, 9219 Woodworth Road Ovid, Holman Pool lifeguard, said most of the kids he sees at the pool do not seem to have much money and the pool is a great free alternative to keep the kids busy.

Patrick Mathaney, 2885 Ruess Road, Holman Pool lifeguard, indicated kids come to the pool to swim rain or shine and if the pool does not remain open kids would have no where to go.

Alex Brya, 44 West Main Street Elsie, Holman Pool lifeguard, commented on his feeling the pool keeps kids out of trouble and offers them an opportunity to learn a lifelong skill.

William Owen, 1309 Herman Street, asked that a fire truck and ambulance be stationed on the south side of the railroad tracks to service southern residents of the city in case there is a train derailment that blocks all of the railroad crossings. He also inquired when the manhole repair work would be completed on M52. It was indicated the city has reciprocal agreements with nearby municipalities negating the need to station emergency vehicles in remote locations.

George Hebert, 411 Curwood Drive, echoed the health concerns of burning mentioned by other citizens, he went on to say the current burning ordinance makes enforcement difficult due to vague language.

Shelva Cebulski, 1243 Marion Street, indicated she hoped people interested in changing the burning ordinance would join the group seeking to put the question on the ballot. She also indicated she thought Holman Pool was a great place for kids and thanked the lifeguards for their service.

Kellen Crenshaw, 501 South Shiawassee Street, indicated she has been swimming at the pool for many years, brings her friends there and enjoys swimming there.

Kim Staples, 501 South Shiawassee Street, commented on her feeling the pool serves the greater county area not just the residents of the City.

Vicky Berry, 705 Martin Street, commented on her support for recreational burning and encouraged Council to allow recreational burning seven days per week to accommodate those with untraditional schedules.

Teresa Skaryd, 601 Ryan Street, showed pictures of her past trips to the UAW stockholders meeting and Mt. Rushmore.

The 30 minute time limit was reached.

Council voted to extend the Citizen Comment and Question period by 15 minutes.

Paul Sutphen, 309 State Street, commented on his feeling that the byproducts of burning are not that harmful and that the pool is very important to the community.

Michelle Danek, 338 Gilbert Street, requested the City establish a spring leaf pick up in addition to the pick up in the fall.

Eddie Urban, 601 Glenwood Avenue, indicated he took swimming lessons at Holman Pool when he was a child, asked the Council to explore the installation of LED lights in town and said the gate was open to the property on Aiken Street,

Betty Coon, 1204 Palmer Avenue, inquired whether residents would be refunded if there was a surplus of funds collected for the pool. She also indicated she would like to see the Council and the media establish better communication to prevent misinformation from making the papers.

Bruce Kilpatrick, 1570 West Mason Road, American Waste representative, indicated he was still interested in purchasing the City property on South Street and his intent for the property was to start a brush drop off, car tire recycling center, household hazardous waste collection site, and recycling center. He also indicated he hoped to lower his rates as he collects more customers in the City.

Burton Fox, 216 East Oliver Street, indicated a project to restore the City's 1921 LaFrance fire truck was now in the planning stages and would be paid for entirely by donations.

Councilperson Cline inquired if Ms. Stechschulte had been able to determine who has been violating the burning ordinance in her neighborhood. He also asked if Mr. Owen wanted emergency vehicles on the other side of the tracks for every train.

It was noted the railroad company used to call the City to inform them when a very long train would be moving through town. Councilperson Martenis requested staff look into finding out the train schedule.

### **CITY MANAGER REPORT**

City Manager Fivas indicated the Blue Ribbon Committee had their first meeting and would be meeting again July 28<sup>th</sup>. He announced the City has been named a Main Street Community for both the downtown area and the Westown area and indicated they would be working with the State to roll out the program. The 2008 Street Program will begin within the next couple of weeks, the S2 Grant Project is

moving closer to completion and the manhole rehabilitation project is approximately 75% complete. Lastly, he reminded citizens that signs are prohibited in the right of way and would be removed. Building Official Archer indicated sign complaints may be directed to his office for resolution.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Owen to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

First Reading and Set Public Hearing - Ordinance Amendment. The First Reading was conducted.

A public hearing was set for August 4, 2008 to receive citizen comment regarding proposed ordinance to amend Chapter 13, Fire Prevention and Protection, Article I, In General, Sections 13-4 (f) & (g) and 13-05 (c) & (d) of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Owosso, Michigan as follows:

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 13, *FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION*, ARTICLE I, IN GENERAL, SECTIONS 13-4 (F) & (G) AND 13-5 (C) & (D) OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF OWOSSO, MICHIGAN.

THE CITY OF OWOSSO ORDAINS:

SECTION 1. THE CITY OF OWOSSO ORDAINS: That Sections 13-4 (f) & (g) and 13-05 (c) & (d) of Chapter 13, Fire Prevention and Protection, Article I, In General, is hereby amended to read as follows:

### **Sec. 13-4. Open fires.**

Open fires are prohibited in the city except in accordance with the following provisions:

- (1) The following are definitions for the words and phrases used in this section:

*Approved container* is defined as: a container constructed of metal or masonry with a metal covering device with openings no larger than three-quarters (3/4) inch with draft holes near the bottom no larger than three-quarters (3/4) inch.

*Bonfire* is defined as: an outdoor fire exceeding the size of a recreational fire and used for ceremonial purposes.

*Open fire* means any fire outside of a building or structure involving any type of combustible material, whether for cooking, pleasure or any other purpose, located anywhere within the city, on public or private property.

*Outdoor cooking apparatus* means a charcoal grill, camping stove or similar apparatus designed exclusively for cooking food.

*Recreational fire* means any fire such as a campfire contained in a fire pit or portable manufactured fire container for the purpose of recreational and personal enjoyment.

*Fire pit* means a structure with the following components:

- a. The diameter of the pit shall not exceed three (3) feet;
- b. The depth of the pit shall be one (1) to two (2) feet deep; and
- c. The rim of the pit shall be lined with rock, concrete, brick or steel that is six (6) inches wide all around the perimeter.

*Waste material* is defined as: paper and paper products excluding diapers; clean clear unpainted unfinished untreated wood and wood products excluding particle board and similar products; and yard waste.

(b) Incineration of waste material, outside of one- or two-family dwellings in the city, shall be permitted if done in accordance with the following provisions:

- (1) No such burning may be within twenty-five (25) feet of an existing structure or property line, nor upon the paved portion of any street. Provided, however, in the case of a lot wherein the above dimensions cannot be met because of the small size of the lot, then the said containers shall be located in the center of the rear of the property an equal distance from the property line and any structure located thereon.
- (2) No such burning shall be done prior to 7:00 a.m., and must not be continued after 7:00 p.m. on any day. No burning shall be done in the city except on Tuesdays and Thursdays. Burning of waste material is prohibited on Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, and Sunday of each week.
- (3) No such burning shall be done unless under the supervision of a person of mature years and discretion and no burning shall be done where its maximum size is not controllable by such person.
- (4) Incineration of all waste material except yard waste shall occur in an approved container.

(c) Recreational fires outside of one or two family dwellings in the city shall be permitted if done in accordance with the following provisions:

- (1) No recreational fire may be within twenty-five (25) feet of an existing structure or property line. Provided, however, in the case of a lot wherein the above dimensions cannot be met because of the small size of the lot, then the said pits or containers shall be located in the center of the rear of the property an equal distance from the property line and any structure located thereon.
- (2) No such burning shall be done prior to 12:00 noon, and must not be continued after 10:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and after 12:00 midnight Friday and Saturday.
- (3) No recreational fires shall occur unless under the supervision of a person of mature years and discretion.
- (4) Material that is acceptable to burn in a recreational fire shall be limited to clean clear unpainted unfinished and untreated wood and wood products excluding particle board and similar products, split firewood, tree limbs and charcoal. No accelerant such as gasoline and kerosene may be used except charcoal lighter fluid.
- (5) A fire extinguisher or water hose shall be connected and available at all times when a recreational fire is active.
- (6) No recreational fire shall exceed three (3) feet in diameter and two (2) feet in height.

(d) Bonfires shall only be allowed by permit issued by the fire chief or his designee pursuant to rules promulgated by the fire chief.

(e) Fires in an outdoor cooking apparatus are permitted in accordance with the provisions of the International Fire Code.

(f) **Any person, firm or corporation who violates this section shall be given a written warning for the first offense only if there have been no prior incidents. If, in the judgment of the authorized city official responding to a first offense, a person has displayed gross flaunting of the law, that person shall be fined as a second offense. On the second offense the person, firm, or corporation shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction with a fine of \$250.00, plus costs. On the third offense, or any further offense, the person, firm or corporation shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction with a fine of \$500.00 plus costs and any applicable fee from the fire department. The building inspector, building official, code enforcement officer, all members of the fire department, and all members of the police department are hereby designated as the authorized city officials to issue municipal civil infraction citations and municipal civil infraction violation notices pursuant to this section.**

(g) **The responding city official shall make an actual visual inspection of the burn site when feasible. If illegal waste materials are in the burning site, this will be considered an offense.**

**Sec. 13-5. Obnoxious odors; wind, sparks and embers.**

(a) It shall be a nuisance and unlawful for any person to burn or allow to be burned, at any time or place any materials of any kind which exude obnoxious odors, or when such fire emits excessive smoke, sparks or burning embers upon adjoining, adjacent, neighboring or nearby premises.

(b) No such burning shall be done at any time or place when wind conditions will create or be apt to create a nuisance to anyone or the property of anyone in the vicinity thereof, or be a danger to the property of any person in the vicinity thereof.

(c) **Any person, firm or corporation who violates this section shall be given a written warning for the first offense only if there have been no prior incidents. If, in the judgment of the authorized city official responding to a first offense, a person has displayed gross flaunting of the law, that person shall be fined as a second offense. On the second offense the person, firm, or corporation shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction with a fine of \$250.00, plus costs. On the third offense, or any further offense, the person, firm or corporation shall be responsible for a municipal civil infraction with a fine of \$500.00 plus costs and any applicable fee from the fire department. The building inspector, building official, code enforcement officer, all members of the fire department, and all members of the police department are hereby designated as the authorized city officials to issue municipal civil infraction citations and municipal civil infraction violation notices pursuant to this section.**

(d) **The responding city official shall make an actual visual inspection of the burn site when feasible. If illegal waste materials are in the burning site, this will be considered an offense.**

Section 2. This ordinance shall become effective twenty days after its adoption.

Section 3. This Ordinance may be purchased or inspected in the City Clerk's Office Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Planning Commission Referral. Referred the remaining unused portion of the north-south alley off Grace Street between Cedar Street and Pearce Street to the Planning Commission for alley closure.

Bid Award. Accepted low bid from KA Steel for bulk Sodium Hypochlorite in the amount of \$1.10 per gallon plus \$75 per split delivery for the 2008-2009 fiscal year.

Contract Payment. Authorized Final Payment to American Asphalt for final paving of Oliver Street from the bridge to Seventh Street in the amount of \$9,690.00.

Contract Payment. Authorized Pay Estimate No. 8 to Glaeser Dawes Corporation in the amount of \$17,714.50 for work completed to install water main and service line on streets scheduled for reconstruction in the 2008 Street Program.

Contract Payment. Authorized Progress Payment No. 3 to Ron Bretz Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$163,165.40 for work completed on the Sanitary Sewer Manhole Rehabilitation Project for the time period ending June 21, 2008.

Contract Payment. Authorized Progress Payment No. 4 to Orchard Hiltz and McCliment for construction engineering services on the Sanitary Sewer Manhole Rehabilitation Project covering the 4-week period ending June 21, 2008 in the amount of \$24,648.00.

Boards and Commissions Appointments. Approved the following Mayoral appointment:

<b>Name</b>	<b>Board/Commission</b>	<b>Term Expires</b>
Crystal Smith (filling unexpired term of Phil Heavilin)	Historical Commission	12-31-2009

Warrant No. 366. Approved Warrant No. 366 as follows:

<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Fund</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Caledonia Charter Township	Caledonia Utility Fund Payment	Water	\$13,103.53
Brown & Stewart, PC	Professional Services covering period from June 10, 2008-July 14, 2008	General	\$10,416.64

**ITEMS OF BUSINESS**

**NORTEL GIFT**

Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Owen to authorize signing over 6 shares of Nortel stock, received as a gift from Nortel, to the Owosso City Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees for liquidation and inclusion in the Retirement System Fund.

Motion supported by Councilperson Simmons.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilperson Martenis, Mayor Pro-Tem Owen, Councilpersons Forster, Simmons, Cline, Frederick, and Mayor Bruff.

NAYS: None.

**BANK ACCOUNT SIGNATORIES**

Motion by Councilperson Cline to authorize the following resolution designating signatories for Chemical Bank Accounts:

**RESOLUTION NO. 32-2008  
CHEMICAL BANK SIGNATORIES**

BE IT RESOLVED that Chemical Bank, 100 East Main Street, Owosso, Michigan 48867 be and its hereby designated as a depository of the funds of the City of Owosso, and that the said funds be subject to withdrawal upon checks, notes, drafts, bills of exchange, acceptances, undertakings or other orders for the payment of money when signed by any two (2) of the following: Joseph A. Fivas, City Manager; Amy

K. Kohagen, City Clerk; Frances M. Kukulis, Director of Financial and Customer Services; and Richard C. Williams, Finance Director.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the above named Chemical Bank is authorized to pay any such checks, notes, drafts, bills of exchange, acceptances, undertakings or other orders and also to receive the same for the credit of or in payment from the payee or any other holder without injury as to the circumstances of issue of the disposition of the proceeds thereof, even if drawn to the individual other of any signing officer or payable to said Chemical Bank or others for his account, or tendered in payment of his individual obligation.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that any and all endorsements for or on behalf of the City of Owosso upon checks, drafts, notes or instruments for deposit or collection made with the said Chemical Bank may be written or stamped endorsements of the City of Owosso without any designation of the person making such endorsements.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that said Chemical Bank be promptly notified in writing by the City Clerk of the City of Owosso of any change in this resolution and that until it has actually received such notice in writing said Chemical Bank is authorized to act in pursuance of this resolution.

It is further certified that this resolution is within the power of the City Council to pass as provided in the Charter and Ordinances of this City.

Motion supported by Councilperson Forster.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Frederick, Martenis, Cline, Simmons, Forster, Mayor Pro-Tem Owen, and Mayor Bruff.

NAYS: None.

### **ENERGY EFFICIENCY & GREEN TECHNOLOGY INITIATIVE**

City Manager Fivas indicated this item was a review of the previously submitted policy with a few alterations. There was discussion regarding some of the energy saving ideas suggested by City staff.

Motion by Councilperson Forster to approve the proposed Energy Efficiency & Green Technology Initiative with the following goals:

- 1) Reduce our total Energy footprint (consumption) by 5% by July 1, 2009
- 2) Reduce our total Energy footprint (consumption) by 25% by July 1, 2011
- 3) Use alternative energy sources to provide 10% of our total energy footprint by July 1, 2011. (i.e. solar power, wind turbines, biofuels, electric vehicles, etc)
- 4) Reduce our spending on energy by \$50,000 during FY 2008-09 (i.e. gasoline, electricity, natural gas)

\*\*\*\* These goals will be benchmarked from July 1, 2007.

Motion supported by Mayor Pro-Tem Owen.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Forster, Frederick, Mayor Pro-Tem Owen, Councilpersons Cline, Simmons, Martenis, and Mayor Bruff.

NAYS: None.

## **SOUTH STREET PROPERTY**

City Manager Fivas indicated he was looking for direction whether Council was in support of the idea of selling the property housing the current brush and leaf drop off site and developing a new site on Aiken Street. There was discussion regarding the purchaser's intentions for the South Street property, including the amount of heavy truck traffic, the times of operation, odor issues, and any proposed buildings for the site. It was noted South Street and Chestnut Street would become truck routes, the hours of operation would be from 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., efforts to mitigate odors will be undertaken, and any proposed construction would be landscaped and presentable. The intention for the site would be to house a recycling center, garbage collection operation, port-a-john business, and a brush and leaf collection site.

Councilperson Frederick asked there be no interruption in service of the brush and leaf drop off site for citizens of the City. Mayor Pro-Tem Owen indicated he felt Council should carefully consider any opportunity to sell property. There was also discussion regarding researching an alternate location for the brush and leaf drop off site as a contingency plan if the purchaser of the South Street property does not develop the brush drop off part of the business. It was noted any conditions required by Council for the sale of the South Street property could be handled in the negotiation process.

Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Owen to authorize the City Manager to negotiate a purchase agreement with American Waste for City owned property on South Street and direct City Staff to explore other brush drop off site options.

Motion supported by Councilperson Frederick.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilperson Cline, Mayor Pro-Tem Owen, Councilpersons Frederick, Simmons, Forster, Martenis, and Mayor Bruff.

NAYS: None.

## **HOLMAN POOL DISCUSSION**

There was a lengthy discussion regarding user numbers for the pool, charging users of the pool, the current condition of the pool, the effect of backyard pools on the use of the pool, the necessity of teaching children to swim, hiring an independent contractor to examine the pool and estimate repair/reconstruction costs, and asking others in the region to support the pool through a millage.

There was further discussion regarding what would happen if a millage request passed and the pool was not able to be opened next year.

City Council requested City staff research user numbers, the cost to open the pool next year, and options for a millage request for the August 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.

## **CONTRACT PAYMENT**

There was discussion regarding why the City should be held responsible for lawn repairs and the rise in the cost of cement. It was indicated lawn repairs are a standard part of such contracts and the delay in the start of the project and the subsequent increase in the cost of cement was not the fault of the contractor. It was also noted that asking bidders to lock in their bids for a specific time period many times leads to over bidding to compensate for possible increases in material costs.

Motion by Councilperson Frederick to authorize the Final Payment to Central Michigan Industries for installation of sidewalk on M-52 from Stewart Street to Cass Street in the amount of \$13,866.40.

Motion supported by Councilperson Forster.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Martenis, Forster, Simmons, Frederick, Mayor Pro-Tem Owen, and Mayor Bruff.

NAYS: Councilperson Cline.

### **COMMUNICATIONS**

John F. Archer, Building Official. June 2008 Building Department Report.

John F. Archer, Building Official. June 2008 Code Violations Report.

Michael T. Compeau, Public Safety Director. June 2008 Police Department Report.

Michael T. Compeau, Public Safety Director. June 2008 Fire Department Report.

Owosso Cable Access Advisory Commission. Minutes of Meeting of June 9, 2008.

Shiawassee Area Transportation Agency. Agenda of Meeting of July 8, 2008.

Shiawassee Area Transportation Agency. Minutes of Meeting of June 10, 2008.

### **CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

Teresa Skaryd, 601 Ryan Street, indicated she felt the burning issue could be a catalyst for the forming of neighborhood watch programs. She encouraged neighbors to work out burning disputes between themselves.

Lisa Stechschulte, 725 River Street, commented on her hope the pool will continue to be funded and her hope Council will act to protect the greater health of the community in relation to the burning issue.

Eddie Urban, 601 Glenwood Avenue, commented on people leaving Council meetings before they are done and his desire to see Holman Pool receive continued funding.

Paul Sutphen, 309 State Street, commented on his belief that burning is not harmful to one's health.

Shelva Cebulski, 1243 Marion Street, indicated she feels citizens should take care of their neighbors and there is no reason to burn.

Betty Coon, 1204 Palmer Avenue, wondered why the microphone at the podium was turned off and why it sometimes does not work properly.

Burton Fox, 216 East Oliver Street, indicated the microphone problem could be solved by using a corded microphone.

Michael Tillotson, 1299 South Shiawassee Street, agreed with Mr. Fox's advice on the use of a corded microphone.

Councilperson Frederick indicated he would like to see monthly reports on burning ordinance enforcement and relayed his hope the City Manager will see staff carries out enforcement of the new ordinance.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion by Councilperson Cline for adjournment at 10:12 p.m.

Motion supported by Councilperson Simmons and concurred in by unanimous vote.

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Michael E. Bruff, Mayor

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Amy K. Kohagen, City Clerk