

**CITY OF REED CITY
REGULAR COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
October 18, 2021**

Mayor Meinert called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. in Council Chambers, 227 E. Lincoln Avenue, Reed City, Michigan.

Present Mayor, Roger Meinert. Council Members: Nathan Bailey, Dan Burchett, Trevor Guiles, Russell Nehmer, Brad Nixon and Nicole Woodside. City Attorney, David Porteous and City Manager, Rich Saladin, were also in attendance. Department Heads attending were, Jeffrey Stein, Barbara Westerburg and Curt Brackenrich. The meeting was opened with the pledge to the flag. There was a citizen in the audience.

Public Hearing Mayor Meinert opened the Public Hearing at 7:01 P.M. to receive public comment on an amendment to the Reed City Zoning Ordinance Map to rezone 743 S. Mill Street from Residential-2 to Commercial-2.

There were no public comment received and no written comments received

The hearing was closed at 7:01 P.M.

Agenda Motion by Guiles, seconded by Burchett, **CARRIED**, to approve the Agenda as presented. Affirmed by voice vote.

Minutes Motion by Woodside, seconded by Burchett, **CARRIED**, to accept the minutes of the September 20, 2021 regular meeting as presented. Affirmed by voice vote.

Bills Motion by Nehmer, seconded by Guiles, **CARRIED**, to approve paying bills as presented for payment with the addition of Invoice # 405569 from Fishbeck in the amount of \$75,727.04 for a grant total approved amount of \$387,898.88. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Nixon, Meinert, Guiles, Burchett, Nehmer, Bailey and Woodside.

Reports Chief Jeffrey Stein, Fire Dept., Police Chief Christopher Lockhart, Rich Rehkopf, DPW, and Curt Brackenrich, WWTP, filed written reports. Barb Westerburg provided Financial Reports including a Revenue/Expenditure Report as of August 31, 2021.

Motion by Bailey, seconded by Woodside, **CARRIED**, to approve the Department Head reports as submitted. Affirmed by voice vote.

Ordinance Motion by Bailey, seconded by Nehmer, **CARRIED**, to approve Ordinance 001-2021 an Ordinance to Amend Part 12, Title IV, Appendix 1, Zoning Map Changes for properties located at 238 W. Upton Avenue, 244 W. Upton Avenue and 250 W. Upton Avenue with the correction of striking "Realty" from the text. Affirmed by voice vote. 7 yea and 0 nay.

**CITY OF REED CITY
ORDINANCE NO. 001-2021**

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND PART 12, TITLE IV, APPENDIX 1,
ZONING MAP CHANGES

The City of Reed City ordains that:

Appendix 1, Zoning Map of the City of Reed City is hereby amended as follows:

Properties located at 238 W. Upton Avenue, 244 W. Upton Avenue and 250 W. Upton Avenue for the following property descriptions are rezoned from the C1 Commercial District to the R2 Residential District.

238 W. Upton Avenue – 67-52-117-021-00
RC-608 LOTS 21 & 22 BLK 17 REED CITY ORIG PLAT

244 W. Upton Avenue – 67-52-117-019-00
RC-607 LOTS 19 & 20 BLK 17 REED CITY ORIG PLAT

250 W. Upton Avenue – 67-52-117-017-00
RC-606 LOTS 17 & 18 BLK 17 REED CITY ORIG PLAT

The District boundaries of the official Zoning Map of the City of Reed City shall be amended to reflect these changes, and this amendment shall be added to the annotations on the Zoning Map.

Effective Date: Thirty days after publication

This ordinance was introduced on September 20, 2021 by Councilperson BAILEY.

On the 18th day of October, 2021, upon the motion by Councilperson BAILEY, and seconded by Councilperson NEHMER this ordinance was adopted.

Voting yeas: 7
Voting nays: 0

- Ordinance Councilperson Trevor Guiles introduced Ordinance No. 002-2021, an Ordinance to Amend Part 12, Title IV, Appendix 1, Zoning Map Changes.
- F.D. Pickup Motion by Guiles, seconded by Woodside, **CARRIED**, to accept the bid from Babb Ford in the amount of \$39,590.46 for a 2022 Ford F350 4X4 pickup for the Fire Department and in the event Babb Ford cannot deliver, then in that event accept the bid from Gorno Ford in the amount of \$39,039.00 for a 2022 Ford F350 4X4 pickup for the Fire Department. Roll call vote. Voting yes were Bailey, Burchett, Nixon, Guiles, Meinert, Nehmer and Woodside.
- F.D. Skid Unit Motion by Nixon, seconded by Bailey, **CARRIED**, to accept the bid from CET Fire Pumps Mfg, for a Skid Unit in the amount of \$15,653.75 for the Fire Department. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Nixon, Woodside, Burchett, Nehmer, Guiles, Meinert and Bailey.
- F.D. Lights Motion by Bailey, seconded by Nehmer, **CARRIED**, to accept the bid from B&B Fire Division in the amount of \$4,322.23 for truck mounted LED Scene Lights for the Fire Department Engine 1. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Meinert, Guiles, Bailey, Nehmer, Woodside, Nixon and Burchett.
- Halloween Motion by Guiles, seconded by Nixon, **FAILED**, to observe Halloween Trick or Treat night on Saturday, October 30, 2021, from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. 3 yea votes and 4 nay votes.
- Halloween Motion by Bailey, seconded by Burchett, **CARRIED**, to observe Halloween Trick or Treat night on Sunday, October 31, 2021, from 5:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. Affirmed by voice vote. Woodside and Guiles voting no.
- Resolution Motion by Guiles, seconded by Bailey, **CARRIED**, to adopt Resolution No. 2021-16, A Resolution to Complete the Paving of the White Pine Trail and authorize the Clerk to sign. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Guiles, Nixon, Woodside, Bailey, Burchett, Meinert and Nehmer.

CITY OF REED CITY
RESOLUTION TO COMPLETE THE PAVING
OF THE WHITE PINE TRAIL

Resolution No. 2021-16

WHEREAS, on June 10, 2021 as part of Governor Whitmer’s plan for the allocation of American Recovery dollars, she proposed a significant and essential investment of \$250 million for infrastructure improvements to State Parks and Trails to boost local economies and enhance tourism; and

WHEREAS, the 92-mile Fred Meijer White Pine Trail Linear State Park passes entirely through three counties and parts of two others and would be a prime candidate for these proposed funds; and

WHEREAS, twenty-three years ago in 1998, the first 13-mile section of the White Pine Trail was paved from Big Rapids to Reed City and since then fifty additional miles of the Trail have been paved; and

WHEREAS, twenty-nine miles remain unpaved from the City of Big Rapids south to the Village of Sand Lake; and

WHEREAS, Reed City benefits from not one, but two paved trails and believes every community along the White Pine Trail should have the benefit of the trail being paved; and

WHEREAS, the unimproved or varying surface portion of trail results in many local and regional residents and visitors choosing not to use this section of the trail for their recreational, physical and mental health needs (i.e. motorized and non-motorized wheel chair users, parents with baby strollers, individuals who rely on walkers, roller bladders, skate boarders, young children riding their bikes, etc.); and

WHEREAS, the City of Reed City recognizes how vital to the local economic health this trail would be if paved the entire length; now

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Reed City encourages our Governor and Michigan Legislators to designate enough funding of the proposed \$250 million investment in modernizing State Parks and Trails in the effort to enhance tourism, boost local economies and increase the quality of life for surrounding communities, by paving the remaining 29 miles of the Fred Meijer White Pine Trail Liner State Park from the City of Big Rapids south to the Village of Sand Lake.

- Bulk Salt Motion by Bailey, seconded by Woodside, **CARRIED**, to approve the State of Michigan MiDeal contract price with Detroit Salt for bulk salt as presented in the amount of 100 ton at \$62.48/ton and up to 200 ton at \$62.71/ton. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Nixon, Meinert, Guiles, Burchett, Nehmer, Bailey and Woodside.
- MML Dues Motion by Guiles, seconded by Nehmer, **CARRIED**, to authorize paying the MML Dues in the amount of \$1,860.00. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Burchett, Nehmer, Bailey, Woodside, Guiles, Nixon and Meinert.
- Parcel Division Motion by Guiles, seconded by Woodside, **CARRIED**, to adopt the Parcel Division Application form as presented and Application Fee of \$45.00. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Nehmer, Bailey, Meinert, Guiles, Burchett, Woodside and Nixon.
- Lease Motion by Guiles, seconded by Nehmer, **CARRIED**, to extend the current lease between the City of Reed City and Reed City Youth Sports, Inc., a Michigan non-profit corporation for the term of five (5) additional years. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Meinert, Nixon, Burchett, Guiles, Nehmer and Bailey. Woodside abstained.
- Rate Study City Manager Saladin reported on meeting with Scott Conradson from the State of Michigan EGLE who has threatened a consent order in order to make the city do what he wants us to do. Rich Rehkopf and Rich Saladin met with Mike Engles and did the water rate study. They talked about the process and where the increase in water rates may have to happen and then put them into implementation so that we can pay for specific projects. The report from Scott Conradson finds some deficiencies and talks about some things that need to happen. The one deficiency which needs to be done is a reliability study.
- Bids Motion by Guiles, seconded by Nixon, **CARRIED**, to authorize the City Manager and Rich Rehkopf to seek bids to update the Reliability Study. Affirmed by voice vote.
- Budget Amend Motion by Guiles, seconded by Bailey, **CARRIED**, to approve Budget Amendments as presented by the City Treasurer. Roll call vote. Voting yes were, Nixon, Woodside, Burchett, Nehmer, Guiles, Meinert and Bailey.

RESOLUTION FOR BUDGET AMENDMENTS

DATE: October 18, 2021

Resolution by the City Council to Amend the 2021/22 fund/department budgets as follows:

<u>FUND/ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL TO DATE</u>	<u>ESTIMATED YEAR END</u>	<u>AMENDED BUDGET</u>	<u>INCREASE (DECREASE)</u>
1. Fund #202 Major Street Fund					
<u>Expenditures (by Department)</u>					
Dept. 486 Surface Maintenance	2,000	-	15,125	15,125	13,125
Dept. 503 Overhead/Office Services	5,000	-	6,444	6,444	1,444
Total Increase(Decrease) in Expenditures					\$ 14,569
<u>Revenues (by account)</u>					
#577.200 State Rev. - Trunkline	40,000	-	54,569	54,569	14,569
				-	-
Total Increase(Decrease) in Revenues					\$ 14,569

Reason:

Increase State Trunkline budget for Crack Sealing Chestnut & E. Church.

Resolution by the City Council to Amend the 2021/22 fund/department budgets as follows:

<u>FUND/ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PRESENT BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL TO DATE</u>	<u>ESTIMATED YEAR END</u>	<u>AMENDED BUDGET</u>	<u>INCREASE (DECREASE)</u>
2. Fund #101 General Fund					
<u>Expenditures (by Department)</u>					
Dept. 336 Fire Department	228,120	56,523	288,120	288,120	60,000
Total Increase(Decrease) in Expenditures					\$ 60,000
<u>Revenues (by account)</u>					
#698 Insurance Recoveries	-	36,462	36,462	36,462	36,462
#690 Fund Reserve				23,538	23,538
Total Increase(Decrease) in Revenues					\$ 60,000

Reason:

Amend the Fire Department budget to replace the truck burned in fire. Insurance proceeds received was \$36,462.

The remainder will come from fund reserves.

Consent Motion by Woodside, seconded by Nehmer, **CARRIED**, to accept the Consent Agenda as presented. Affirmed by voice vote.

Committee There were no committee reports.

City Manager Rich Saladin submitted a written report and commented Rambadt Park is all cleaned up except for the wooded area. Rich Rehkopf has marked the down trees and is going to solicit bids for the timber. Michelle is still taking care of the park, blowing leaves and cleaning the restrooms. At the MML conference there was a presentation by lawyers on how to control where marihuana dispensaries and recreational are and how many of them are there in the city. A lot of cities are doing it through their zoning ordinances. Rich talked with Cindy Wotila about it and how to protect the City from law suits and voter initiative. Byron Clouse of Ace hardware is putting up a new sign, has torn up the parking lot to re-asphalt the whole thing. He has ask to be on the Agenda for the next Planning Commission meeting to ask for a Special Use Permit to put storage units on the property. On Friday, Rich will be meeting with Melissa Fish, Regional Representative to Governor Whitmer’s office, giving her some tours, showing her our trails, some of the investment being made in our town and see if Reed City can get some money.

Councilperson Bailey suggested the Electronic Sign Ordinance be updated.

Mayor Roger reminded Nate Bailey he is appointed to review bills prior to the November meeting.

City Attorney Attorney Porteous stated there was a memo to the City Manager on sidewalks and 3D printing. City Manager Saladin had an inquiry regarding opening up a 3D printing shop in the downtown commercial district. The City ordinances do not cover that even as a special permit. The memo indicated it could be a zoning ordinance, we would just need to make that change.

Council Nate Bailey advised the Museum will be having a small Halloween event on Saturday and Sunday during their open hours.

Audience Sally Momany, County Commissioner, appeared to update council that the county hired Tim Ladd as the new County Coordinator. Mr. Ladd currently is the Mecosta County EMS Director and will begin his new position as County Coordinator mid-November.

Adjourn Mayor Meinert adjourned the meeting at 9:01 P.M.

Jacalyn R. Beam, City Clerk