A regular meeting of the Wayne City Council was held on Tuesday, March 4, 2014, at 8:00 p.m. in the Wayne City Hall, 3355 South Wayne Road.

Mayor Haidous called the meeting to order at 8:00 p.m. and led the Council and the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Members Present: Mayor Abdul H. Haidous, Albert M. Damitio, Susan M. Rowe, Lorne “Skip” Monit, John P. Rhaesa

Members Absent: Mayor Pro Tem James R. Hawley, James K. Henley

Also Present: Paul F. Bohn, City Attorney; Ramzi El-Gharib, Acting City Manager; Matthew K. Miller, City Clerk

A moment of silence was held for Gary Pride and Ellen Snell.

03-14-0045 Motion by Rowe, seconded by Damitio and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 18, as printed.

Amy Malmer and Susan Stefanski from SEMCOG gave a presentation about their services.

A Public Hearing was held to seek input into the Parks & Recreation Department Master Plan.

Nathan Adams, Parks and Recreation Director gave a presentation to the City Council to introduce the Plan.

Ron Roberts, Victor Osborne, Alfred Brock and Keith Butkovich addressed the City Council about the Plan.

03-14-0046 Motion by Rhaesa, seconded by Rowe and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the First Reading of a proposed amendment to Ordinance No. 882: Blight Regulations for Commercial Areas - Inoperable Vehicles with 45 days total for an inoperable vehicle to be on a property.

03-14-0047 Motion by Damitio, seconded by Rhaesa and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the appointment of David Steinhauer, 3028 S. Wayne Road, to the Downtown Development Authority, until December of 2018.
Motion by Rowe, seconded by Rhaesa and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the reappointment of Ed Marman to the Wayne Library Board, until February of 2019.

By consensus of Council, Communication and Reports were received and filed or acted upon as indicated:

a. Email from a resident concerning Public Works Employee John Conyer.

b. Memo from the Police Chief and an email regarding Police Officer Jeffrey Felts.

Motion by Rowe, seconded by Monit and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve the 4th year of a contract with Frank’s Landscaping, in the amount of $4,116.00, for the season and $343.00 per trim on an as needed basis, for the mowing of Michigan Avenue median from Merriman Road to Hannan Road, to be paid from the Michigan Avenue Maintenance Budget which is reimbursed by the Michigan Department of Transportation.

Motion by Rowe, seconded by Monit for a contract with Frank’s Landscaping for Streetscape Maintenance and Horticultural Services in the Downtown Development District - the motion was withdrawn.

Motion by Rowe, seconded by Monit and unanimously carried, it was resolved to table the contract with Frank’s Landscaping for Streetscape Maintenance and Horticultural Services in the Downtown Development District.

Motion by Damitio, seconded by Rowe and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve an amendment to the FY ‘13-‘14 budget by discontinuing the transfer for Retired Lives Medical Coverage.

Motion by Rowe, seconded by Damitio and unanimously carried, it was resolved to approve a one year agreement with Reaction Direct to provide promotional and sponsorship opportunities for the Parks & Recreation Department.

Upon the request of Mayor Haidous for comments from the public on matters not covered by the Council Agenda the following were expressed:

Cindy Schofield addressed the City Council about the Michigan Main Street Program Kick-Off Meeting on March 25, 2014 and the Zoning Ordinance Webinar on 3/21/14.

Paul Stanford, Community Housing Network addressed the City Council about foreclosure assistance.

Motion by Rowe, seconded by Rhaesa and unanimously carried, it was resolved to accept the Consent Calendar without exception as follows:

a. Housing Commission Minutes of January 15
Motion by Rowe, seconded by Monit and unanimously carried, by a roll call vote, it was resolved to adjourn to a Closed Session at 9:52 p.m. to discuss labor negotiations.

ROLL CALL
AYES: Damitio, Rowe, Monit, Rhaesa, Haidous
NAYS: None
ABSENT: Hawley, Henley

Reconvened in Open Session at 11:25 p.m.

Motion by Monit, seconded by Rhaesa and unanimously carried, it was resolved to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 p.m.

Abdul "Al" Haidous Matthew K. Miller
Mayor City Clerk

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