

**CITY OF YALE**  
**COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**June 13, 2022**

Meeting called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Sherri Knecht.

Present: Council members Anthony Hackett, Patti Kendzierski, Sherri Knecht, Brenda Krzak, Tammy Hazel, and Sharon Krosnicki. City Manager Neil Hammerbacher and City Clerk Ashley Aldea

Absent:

**The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all**

**22-061** P Motion by Kendzierski, seconded by Krzak to approve the agenda as amended, adding 9L, promotion of office staff. **PASSED**

**22-062** P Motion by Krzak, seconded by Hazel to approve the minutes of May 9, 2022 and May 23, 2022 as presented. **PASSED**

**22-063** P Motion by Krzak, seconded by Hazel to approve bills and draw checks for the same. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Hackett, Hazel, Kendzierski, Krosnicki, Knecht and Krzak. Nays: none.* **PASSED**

**Public Comments on agenda items -**

**22-064** P Motion by Knecht, seconded by Hackett to appoint Adam Smith to the DDA, with a term expiring December 31, 2025. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Hazel, Kendzierski, Krosnicki, Knecht, Krzak, and Hackett. Nays: none.* **PASSED**

**22-065** P Motion by Knecht, seconded by Hazel to appoint Joe Moza to the DDA, with a term expiring December 31, 2025. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Kendzierski, Krosnicki, Knecht, Hackett, and Hazel. Nays: Krzak.* **PASSED**

**22-066** P Motion by Knecht, seconded by Kendzierski to appoint Steve Huston to the DDA, with a term expiring December 31, 2023. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Krosnicki, Knecht, Krzak, Hackett, Hazel, and Kendzierski. Nays: none.* **PASSED**

**22-067** P Motion by Knecht, seconded by Krosnicki to appoint Florene Zanardelli to the Board of Review, with a term expiring December 31, 2023. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Knecht, Krzak, Hackett, Hazel, Kendzierski, and Krosnicki. Nays: none.* **PASSED**

**22-068** P Motion by Knecht, seconded by Krzak to appoint Vicki Randall to the Board of Review, with a term expiring December 31, 2023. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Krzak, Hackett, Hazel, Kendzierski, Krosnicki, and Knecht. Nays: none.* **PASSED**

- 22-069** P Motion by Knecht, seconded by Hackett to appoint Vicki Randall to the Rental Committee. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Hazel, Kendzierski, Krosnicki, Knecht, Krzak, and Hackett. Nays: none. PASSED*
- 22-070** P Motion by Knecht, seconded by Hazel to appoint Shelley O'Brien to the Rental Committee. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Kendzierski, Krosnicki, Knecht, Krzak, Hackett, and Hazel. Nays: none. PASSED*
- 22-069** P Motion by Knecht, seconded by Kendzierski to appoint Brenda Krzak to the Rental Committee. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Krosnicki, Knecht, Krzak, Hackett, Hazel, and Kendzierski. Nays: none. PASSED*
- 22-070** P Motion by Krzak, seconded by Hazel to adopt Ordinance 193, an ordinance amending article 4 of the city's zoning ordinance to regulate medical marihuana home based businesses within the city. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Knecht, Krzak, Hackett, Hazel, Kendzierski, and Krosnicki. Nays: none. PASSED*
- 22-071** P Motion by Krzak, seconded by Hazel to approve COVID hazard pay bonuses for employees that worked during the COVID pandemic. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Krzak, Hackett, Hazel, Kendzierski, Krosnicki, and Knecht. Nays: none. PASSED*
- 22-072** P Motion by Krzak, seconded by Hazel to approve COVID hazard pay bonuses for employees that worked during the COVID pandemic. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Krzak, Hackett, Hazel, Kendzierski, Krosnicki, and Knecht. Nays: none. PASSED*
- 22-073** P Motion by Krzak, seconded by Hackett to approve recommended budget amendments in the General, Major and Local Streets, and Cemetery Funds for Fiscal Year 2021-2022. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Hackett, Hazel, Kendzierski, Krosnicki, Knecht, and Krzak. Nays: none. PASSED*
- 22-074** P Motion by Hackett, seconded by Krzak to approve the 2022 local millage distribution. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Hazel, Kendzierski, Krosnicki, Knecht, Krzak, and Hackett. Nays: none. PASSED*
- 22-075** P Motion by Hackett, seconded by Hazel to approve the 2022 tax rate millage request. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Kendzierski, Krosnicki, Knecht, Krzak, Hackett, and Hazel. Nays: none. PASSED*
- 22-076** P Motion by Krzak, seconded by Kendzierski to approve the proposal by Martin Concrete Contracting, in the amount of \$5,376.00 to repair select sidewalk locations within the city. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Krosnicki, Knecht, Krzak, Hackett, Hazel, and Kendzierski. Nays: none. PASSED*
- 22-077** P Motion by Hackett, seconded by Hazel to approve the proposal for street condition assessment by BMJ Engineers, for the amount of \$2,600.00. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Knecht, Krzak, Hackett, Hazel, Kendzierski, and Krosnicki. Nays: none. PASSED*

- 22-078** P Motion by Hazel, seconded by Kendzierski to approve ballot language for renewal of Fire Department Medical First Response Service. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Krzak, Hackett, Hazel, Kendzierski, Krosnicki, and Knecht. Nays: none. PASSED*
- 22-079** P Motion by Hackett, seconded by Kendzierski to approve hiring James Tassie as a part time police officer. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Hackett, Hazel, Kendzierski, Krosnicki, Knecht, and Krzak. Nays: none. PASSED*
- 22-080** P Motion by Kendzierski, seconded by Krzak to amend the cost of a City of Yale Food Truck permit for Food Trucks participating in the Yale Farmer’s Market (Those Food Trucks will pay the going rate for other vendors). *Roll call vote, Ayes: Hazel, Kendzierski, Krosnicki, Knecht, Krzak, and Hackett. Nays: none. PASSED*
- 22-081** P Motion by Kendzierski, seconded by Krzak to promote Ashley Aldea to Clerical 1 position and Charity Blake to Clerical 2 position at the current rate of pay, effective 06/27/2022. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Kendzierski, Krosnicki, Knecht, Krzak, Hackett, and Hazel. Nays: none. PASSED*

**City Manager’s Report-** City Manager Hammerbacher provided the Council with a water fund review that was completed by the USDA

- 22-082** P Motion by Krzak, seconded by Kendzierski to enter into closed session for union negotiations. **PASSED**

**Closed Session began at 8:11 PM**

**Closed Session was closed at 9:02 PM**

**Public Comments in general -**

**Perry Sutherland, 305 Arthur St-** Inquired on the city/ police department’s blight process

**Walter Maxwell, 420 North St-** Voiced some concerns about the new water meters

**Chris Bevins, 125 First St. -** Had a water softener using extraneous amounts of water but wasn’t aware of it until he received the water bill, asked for forgiveness on a portion of the bill.

- 22-083** P Motion by Hazel, seconded by Kendzierski to forgive 50% of the water bill (credit of \$264.05) for 125 First Street. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Krosnicki, Knecht, Krzak, Hackett, Hazel, and Kendzierski. Nays: none. PASSED*

**Final Comments -**

**Police-** None

**DPW-** None

**Fire-** Two runs in the city last month. Training this month will include extrications.

**Final Council Comments-** None

**22-084**      **P** Motion by Hazel, seconded by Krzak to adjourn @ 9:26 PM. **PASSED**

*I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of minutes of a meeting of the City Council of the City of Yale, County of St. Clair, State of Michigan, held on the 13th day of June 2022, and that said meeting was given pursuant to and in full compliance with the Open Meetings Act, being Act 267, Public Acts of Michigan , 1976.*

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Ashley E. Aldea, *City Clerk*