

**CITY OF YALE  
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
May 9, 2022**

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

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

Absent: Patti Kendzierski

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

**22-046** P Motion by Krzak, seconded by Hazel to approve the agenda as amended, adding medical marihuana to 8C. **PASSED**

**22-047** P Motion by Krzak, seconded by Hazel to approve the minutes of April 11, 2022 as presented. **PASSED**

**22-048** P Motion by Krzak, seconded by Hazel to approve bills and draw checks for the same. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Hackett, Hazel, Krosnicki, Knecht and Krzak. Nays: none.* **PASSED**

**Public Comments on agenda items -**

**Perry Sutherland, 305 Arthur-** In regard to the office staffing plan, Mrs. Blake could go to McDonald's right now and receive at least \$14.00/gr no questions asked.

**22-049** P Motion by Krosnicki, seconded by Krzak to approve a wage increase to \$15.00/hr for Charity Blake. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Hazel, Krosnicki, Knecht, Krzak, and Hackett. Nays: none.* **PASSED**

**22-050** P Motion by Hazel, seconded by Krzak to accept the new contract with Sanilac Appraisers for \$1,025.00 per month for assessing services, to begin July 1, 2022. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Krosnicki, Knecht, Krzak, Hackett, and Hazel. Nays: none.* **PASSED**

**22-051** P Motion by Krzak, seconded by Hazel to approve the dissolution of the LDFA. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Knecht, Krzak, Hackett, Hazel, and Krosnicki. Nays: none.* **PASSED**

**22-052** P Motion by Krzak, seconded by Hazel to approve the purchase of 2 computers: one for the City Assessor and one for the City Treasurer. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Krzak, Hackett, Hazel, Krosnicki, and Knecht. Nays: none.* **PASSED**

**22-053** P Motion by Krzak, seconded by Hazel to approve a budget amendment for distribution of the LDFA Fund. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Hackett, Hazel, Krosnicki, Knecht, and Krzak. Nays: none.* **PASSED**

**22-054** P Motion by Krzak, seconded by Hazel to approve a budget amendment for distribution of the drug law enforcement fund. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Hazel, Krosnicki, Knecht, Krzak, and Hackett. Nays: none. PASSED*

**City Manager's Report-** City Manager Hammerbacher provided council with an update on COVID Fiscal Recovery Funds and the reporting required for spending/using those funds. He also informed the Council of the deficit in the Cemetery Fund. The County Ordinance for operating ORV's on roadways was provided to council. A Budget Workshop for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2022 was set for Tuesday May 17, 2022 @ 5:00 PM. City Manager Hammerbacher reported on the most recent street work that was completed in the city (in 2020), and noted that he was researching companies that could complete a condition assessment for determination of the next streets to be repaired/resurfaced.

**22-055** P Motion by Krzak, seconded by Hackett to transfer \$10,000.00 from the general fund to the Cemetery Fund. *Roll call vote, Ayes: Hazel, Krosnicki, Knecht, Krzak, and Hackett. Nays: none. PASSED*

**22-056** P Motion by Krzak seconded by Krosnicki to approve a wage increase to \$17.00/hr for Ashley Aldea . *Roll call vote, Ayes: Krosnicki, Knecht, Krzak, Hackett, and Hazel. Nays: none. PASSED*

**Public Comments in general -**

**Final Comments -**

**Police-** None

**DPW-** None

**Fire-** One run the city last month. This month's training will be truck pump, hose advancement, and PI with medical. City Manager Hammerbacher, Bob Kammer from Brockway Township, and Chief Hubbard all met regarding the contract with the city, and meeting went well. Kendall Landry completed and passed both Fire 1 & 2.

**Final Council Comments-**

**Hazel-** In regard to DPW overtime for last Fiscal Year, it deserves to be noted that Greg Vore retired and the city didn't have their usual Seasonal Summer employee either.

**Krzak-** Thanks to Chief Hubbard and Chief Head for all of their hard work for the city. Thanks to citizens that come to the meetings. Also noted that DPW overtime hours were also due to water leaks and issues during the water meter installations.

**Knecht-** With next fiscal year's budget needing to be set, that also means police contract negotiations will begin. Would like a subcommittee comprised of Tammy Hazel, Brenda Krzak, and Sherri Knecht to work on that.

**City Clerk Aldea-** Still in the process of integrating the new meters into the utility billing software. BS&A had to write a special script. First test run of that will take place this week.

**22-057**      **P** Motion by Hazel, seconded by Krzak to adjourn @ 8:04 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 9th day of May 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*