



**CITY OF GARDEN CITY  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES  
August 23, 2021**

The Mayor and Council of the City of Garden City met in Regular Session Monday, August 23, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Civic Center, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan.

**REGULAR MEETING**

Present were Mayor Walker. Councilmembers Kerwin, Squires, Earle, Jacobs, and Lynch. Councilmember DiMichele was absent and excused.

Also present were City Manager Dougherty, City Clerk Miller, Police Chief Gibbons, DPW Director Ohman, and Parks and Recreation Director Chiasson.

- ❖ **Item #21-08-131 - Moved by Lynch; supported by Squires:**  
RESOLVED: To approve the meeting agenda as presented.

The agenda consisted of the following:

1. 2021 Sidewalk Program Determination of Necessity
2. 2021 NSP Program – Call for Public Hearing
3. MERS Officer Delegate
4. Printing of the 2022 Golden Book

AYES: Unanimous  
ABSENT: DiMichele

**Motion Passes 6-0**

**Recognition, Presentations, Community Announcements, Comments from State & County Officials, and Petitions & Communications**

- Garden City Police Officer Gage Cruz was promoted to the rank of Sergeant and sworn in by City Clerk Miller.
- Parks and Recreation Director Chiasson gave information regarding upcoming Parks and Recreation Fall programs.

**Mayor Walker announced it was time to hear public comment on 2021 Sidewalk Program Determination of Necessity.**

- Brad Ohman, Department of Public Works Director, gave overview of 2021 Sidewalk Program.

Hearing no public comment, the public hearing was closed.

- ❖ **Item #21-08-132 - Moved by Lynch; supported by Squires:**  
RESOLVED: To approve the consent agenda as presented.

1. Approve Council Meeting Minutes of 8/9/21
2. Receive and File Planning Commission Minutes of 5/13/21

AYES: Unanimous  
ABSENT: DiMichele

**Motion Passes 6-0**

❖ **Item #21-08-133 - Moved by Jacobs; supported by Earle:**

RESOLVED: To adopt the Resolution to Determine the necessity for a sidewalk replacement program and directing the preparation of a special assessment roll for the 2021 sidewalk program.

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WHEREAS, the council having, held a public hearing of Necessity on August 23, 2021, on the 2021 Sidewalk Repair Program; and

WHEREAS, the Council having determined the necessity of said improvement at a Regular Council Meeting on August 23, 2021 and determined that the cost be defrayed by a Special Assessment upon the properties specially benefited; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, pursuant to §40.05, that the assessments for this program be divided into five (5) annual installments, payable on the 1st of December and each year from 2021 to 2026 inclusive; and shall bear interest at the rate of four (4) percent per annum commencing December 1, 2021 said interest to be paid annually on the due dates of the principal installments; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Assessor be directed to prepare a Special Assessment Roll, henceforth known as District No. 4237 for the properties in said district that have been specially benefited.

AYES: Unanimous  
ABSENT: DiMichele

**Motion Passes 6-0**

❖ **Item #21-08-134 - Moved by Lynch; supported by Jacobs:**

RESOLVED: Motion to introduce the ordinance and call a public hearing for Monday, September 27, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. for the sale of the three NSP properties (28510 Elmwood, 5907 Helen, 31742 Leona) to HP SNAP.

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
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ORDINANCE NO: A21-###

**TAX FORECLOSURE PROPERTY CONVEYANCE ORDINANCE**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY PROVIDING FOR THE AUTHORITY OF CITY COUNCIL TO CONVEY OR AUTHORIZE THE CONVEYANCE OF TAX FORECLOSED REAL PROPERTY LOCATED WITHIN THE CITY, HAVING ACQUIRED**

**THE PARCELS OF REAL PROPERTY FROM WAYNE COUNTY PURSUANT TO MCL 211.78(M); PROVIDING FOR REPEAL OR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION AND EFFECTIVE DATE.**

**THE CITY OF GARDEN CITY ORDAINS:**

**SECTION I. AUTHORIZATION OF COUNCIL TO CONVEY PROPERTY**

Garden City having considered a neighborhood stabilization program, having exercised its rights under MCL 211.78(M) in connection with the purchase of certain tax foreclosed parcels located within the city limits, in furtherance of the objective of neighborhood stabilization to restore blighted buildings and forestall future blight, the City Council of the City of Garden City is hereby authorized:

To convey or authorize the conveyance of the following parcels of real property it has acquired pursuant to its right of refusal under MCL 211.78(M), and to do so in accordance with existing contract with HP Snap, executed on or about May 28, 2019, copies of which are available through the Clerk for the City of Garden City, 6000 Middlebelt Road, Garden City, Michigan 48135, during regular business hours:

35-010-02-0144-000 – 28510 Elmwood \$14,604.30  
35-011-04-0336-002 – 5907 Helen \$37,216.10  
35-023-02-3611-000 – 31742 Leona \$18,305.01

**SECTION II. SEVERABILITY.**

If any clause, sentence, section, paragraph or part of this Ordinance, or the application thereof to any person, firm, corporation, legal entity or circumstances, shall be for any reason adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction to be unconstitutional or invalid, said judgment shall not affect, impair or invalidate the remainder of this Ordinance. It is hereby declared to the legislative intent of this body that the Ordinance is severable, and that the Ordinance would have been adopted had such invalid or unconstitutional provision not have been included in this Ordinance.

**SECTION III. REPEAL.**

All Ordinances or parts of Ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed only to the extent necessary to give this Ordinance full force and effect.

**SECTION IV. SAVINGS CLAUSE.**

All rights and duties which have matured, penalties which have been incurred, proceedings which have begun and prosecution for violations of law occurring before the effective date of this Ordinance are not affected or abated by this Ordinance.

**SECTION V. PUBLICATION.**

The Clerk for the City of Garden City shall cause this Ordinance to be published in the manner required by law.

**SECTION VI. EFFECTIVE DATE.**

This Ordinance, as amended, shall take full force upon approval by City Council.

AYES: Unanimous  
ABSENT: DiMichele

**Motion Passes 6-0**

❖ **Item #21-08-135 - Moved by Squires ; supported by Earle:**

RESOLVED: Motion to approve the appointment of Martha Griggs, Personnel Director as the Officer Delegate for the annual MERS business meeting in October of 2021.

AYES: Unanimous  
ABSENT: DiMichele

**Motion Passes 6-0**

❖ **Item #21-08-136 - Moved by Kerwin; supported by Lynch:**

RESOLVED: Motion to approve a contract with The Markers Group to print 16,000 48-page booklets of the Garden City Golden Book, in the smount of \$7,203.00

AYES: Unanimous

ABSENT: DiMichele

**Motion Passes 6-0**

**Mayor Walker announced it was time for public comment.**

- John Niemiec, Deering Street, spoke regarding the repaving of James Street
- John Murray, Lathers Street, spoke about a governmental audit for departments other than finance.
- Kevin Hunt, Bridge Street, spoke about issues relating to the mess created and road damage caused by current construction project at Cambridge High School

There being no further business before Council, the meeting was then adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Matthew K. Miller  
City Clerk