

CITY OF MUSKEGON
CITY COMMISSION WORKSESSION

Monday, April 11, 2011
5:30 p.m.
City Commission Chambers

MINUTES

2011-22

Present: Mayor Warmington, Vice Mayor Gawron, Commissioners Spataro, Wierengo, Wisneski, and Shepherd.

Absent: Carter.

Ballot Proposal Presentation – John McGarry.

John McGarry of the Lakeshore Museum Center made a presentation of the upcoming May 3, 2011 renewal of the .325 millage and benefits the museum offers the community.

City Cell Phone Contract.

Beth Lewis, Assistant Finance Director, presented a request to approve the staff recommendation to use Verizon as the City's cell phone carrier. All rates quoted are from the State of Michigan contract. Verizon has proposed no upfront fees, many options for free equipment and no contract. Additionally staff is recommending the use of smart phones with data packages for employees whose job efficiency can be improved by access to their City email, calendars and other online information while in the field or on call. Employees opting to utilize a smart phone will share in the cost by reimbursing the City \$15 per month for the service.

This request will be considered by the City Commission at its April 12, 2011 Commission meeting.

Boards and Committees.

During the goal setting session discussion took place to eliminate some boards and committees to reduce staffing requirements.

Main Motion:

Motion by Commissioner Spataro, seconded by Commissioner Shepherd to eliminate the Equal Opportunity Committee, Hospital Finance Authority, Loan Fund Advisory Committee, and Public Relations Committee.

Sub-Motion:

Motion by Commissioner Wierengo, seconded by Commissioner Wisneski to retain the Public Relations Committee.

Vote on Sub-Motion:

Ayes: Wierengo, Wisneski, and Shepherd.

Nays: Gawron, Spataro, and Warmington.

MOTION DEFEATED.

Vote on main motion:

Ayes: Gawaron, Shepherd, Spataro, Warmington, Wierengo, Wisneski.

Nays: None.

MOTION PASSES.

Adjournment.

Motion by Mayor Warmington, second by Commissioner Shepherd to adjourn at 6:10 p.m.

MOTION PASSES

**Ann Marie Becker, MMC
City Clerk**