

City of Muskegon  
City Commission Worksession  
August 9, 2010  
City Commission Chambers  
5:30 PM

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2010-70

Present: Commissioners Warmington, Carter, Spataro, Wierengo, Shepherd, and Wisneski.

Absent: Vice Mayor Gawron.

**Potential Property Donation to City - Abonmarche.**

Cathy Brubaker-Clarke stated that the City has been approached by an anonymous donor who would like to purchase property for the purpose of providing a natural park or park-like setting for the public. The property currently being considered is the Abonmarche property, adjacent to Richard's Park.

If the City obtains ownership of the property, the Muskegon Conservation District is very interested in adding this to their lease, along with Richard's Park. Staff has met with Kathy Evan's of WMSRDC who anticipates using NOAA wetland restoration funds to make improvements to the Abonmarche site immediately upon the City's taking ownership of the property. Ms. Evans was also present to answer any questions of Commissioners.

Staff is asking permission to use EPA site assessment funds for the environmental site assessment which will be needed prior to taking ownership of the property.

The City Commission voiced their approval and to continue forward evaluating the project.

**Water System Consortium.**

Mayor Warmington and Mr. Mazade will be meeting with Prein and Newhof to evaluate a water system consortium.

**Adjournment.**

**Motion by Commissioner Carter, seconded by Commissioner Shepherd to adjourn at 5:45 p.m.**

*MOTION PASSES*

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**Ann Marie Becker, MMC  
City Clerk**