

OWOSSO CITY COUNCIL

MARCH 21, 2011

7:30 P.M.

- PRESIDING OFFICER:** MAYOR BENJAMIN R. FREDERICK
- OPENING PRAYER:** MAJOR COLETTE BAILEY
SALVATION ARMY
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** KRISTA STRONG
- PRESENT:** Mayor Pro-Tem Cindy S. Popovitch, Councilpersons Thomas B. Cook, Michael J. Erfourth, Christopher T. Eveleth, Joni M. Forster, and Gary W. Martenis.
- ABSENT:** Mayor Benjamin R. Frederick.

APPROVE AGENDA

Motion by Councilperson Eveleth to approve the agenda as presented with the removal of Item of Business 1. Mortgage Subordination Agreement due to not having received the final draft of the agreement from the bank.

Motion supported by Councilperson Erfourth and concurred in by unanimous vote.

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF MARCH 7, 2011

Motion by Councilperson Cook to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 7, 2011 as presented.

Motion supported by Councilperson Forster and concurred in by unanimous vote.

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS

COLLAMER PARK COMMUNITY GARDEN

Community Garden organizers Jeff and Tracey Peltier gave a presentation on the proposed community garden to be located in Collamer Park as well as a brief update on the dog park.

It was noted the community garden proposal had been examined by the Parks & Recreation Commission and had received their recommendation. The Council agreed to the suggested location for the community garden and indicated plans could begin to move forward as proposed. It was further noted Council would consider a formal agreement for management of the garden at a later date.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

ALLEY CLOSURE – NORTH OF CLEVELAND AVENUE, PARALLEL TO LAFAYETTE STREET

A public hearing was held to receive citizen comment regarding request to close the public alley east of lots 70-75 and west of lots 106-111, Park Hill Addition, City of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan (north of Cleveland Avenue and parallel to Lafayette Street)

There were no citizen comments.

Staff reported in a written report to City Council that the Planning Commission had held a public hearing and voted to recommend the closure of the alley.

There being no one to be heard, motion by Councilperson Eveleth to adopt the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 44-2011

**TO CLOSE THE ALLEY
EAST OF LOTS 70-75 AND WEST OF LOTS 106-111, PARK HILL ADDITION,
CITY OF OWOSSO**

WHEREAS, the City Council of the City of Owosso, Michigan has met at the time and place named in a resolution passed by said City Council at a meeting thereof held on March 7, 2011 and in accordance to notice thereof published by the City Clerk in The Owosso Argus Press, for the purpose of hearing and considering objections to the proposed vacation and discontinuance of the following portions of public alley in said City, and all objections of such proposed action having been heard and duly considered;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT for the benefit of the public health and welfare and safety of persons and property within the City of Owosso, County of Shiawassee, State of Michigan, be and the same is hereby vacated, discontinued and abolished, said portions of said alley being more particularly described as follows, to wit:

ALL THAT PART OF ALLEY IN PARK HILL ADDITION TO THE CITY OF OWOSSO, SHIAWASSEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN, RECORDED JULY 30, 1910 IN VOLUME 1 OF PLATS ON PAGE 60 DESCRIBED AS LYING NORTH OF THE NORTH LINE OF CLEVELAND STREET, AND EAST OF LOTS 70-75 AND WEST OF LOTS 106-111

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT it is hereby determined that it is necessary for the health, welfare, comfort and safety of the people of the City of Owosso to discontinue the above portions of existing alley as platted.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the City Clerk is hereby directed to provide the Shiawassee County Register of Deeds, the Treasurer of the State of Michigan, and the Owosso City Engineer and City Assessor with a certified copy of this resolution within thirty (30) days of its adoption.

Motion supported by Councilperson Erfourth.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch, Councilpersons Cook, Erfourth, Eveleth, Martenis, and Forster.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Mayor Frederick.

ORDINANCE AMENDMENT – DISCHARGE OF WEAPONS

A public hearing was conducted to receive citizen comment regarding proposed ordinance to amend Chapter 19, Nuisances, Article VII, *Offenses Against Public Safety*, Section 19-129, Discharge of Weapons, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Owosso, Michigan.

There were no citizen comments.

Motion by Councilperson Cook to authorize the following amendment to Chapter 19, Nuisances, Article VII, *Offenses Against Public Safety*, Section 19-129, Discharge of Weapons, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Owosso, Michigan.

ORDINANCE NO. 720

ORDINANCE TO MODIFY THE CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION 19-129 DISCHARGE OF WEAPONS TO ALLOW THE DISCHARGE OF WEAPONS UNDER SUPERVISED SITUATIONS

WHEREAS, the city of Owosso has an ordinance regulating the discharge of weapons; and

WHEREAS, the provisions contained in that ordinance prohibit the discharge of weapons in all situations, with no provision for an exception;

THE CITY OF OWOSSO ORDAINS: that Chapter 19, Nuisances, Article VII, *Offenses Against Public Safety*, Section 19-129, Discharge of Weapons, be amended as follows:

Section 1: Section 19-129, Discharge of Weapons, be deleted in its entirety.

Section 2: A new Section 19-129, Discharge of Weapons, which reads as follows, be added:

Sec. 19-129. Discharge of weapons.

It shall be unlawful for any person to discharge any firearm, air rifle, air pistol, bow and arrow, sling shot or wrist rocket within the city unless part of an exposition, tournament or range under adult supervision after issuance of a permit by the police department.

Section 3. Repeal Clause.

All ordinances in conflict with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of the conflict.

Section 4. Severability.

If any section, subsection, sentence, clause, phrase or portion of this amendment for any reason is held invalid or unconstitutional by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion

shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions hereof.

Section 5. Effective Date.

This ordinance shall take effect April 10, 2011.

Section 6. Inspection.

This Ordinance may be purchased or inspected in the City Clerk's Office Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Motion supported by Councilperson Eveleth.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Martenis, Cook, Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch, Councilpersons Erfourth, Eveleth, and Forster.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Mayor Frederick.

STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE REPORT

None.

CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch detailed the rules for addressing Council and noted the 30 minute time limit.

Shelva Cebulski, 1243 Marion Street, thanked staff for patching potholes on local streets. She also asked that people refrain from burning this spring as they clean up their yards.

The following people spoke in opposition to the medical marijuana facility across the street from St. Paul School:

Father John Fain, St. Paul Catholic Church
Louise Hemond-Wilson, 500 East Oliver Street
Bozenia Bienias, 1432 Mallard Circle
Shawn Costello, Associate Superintendent of Schools for the Lansing Diocese
Lisa Stechschulte, 725 River Street
Rhonda Ihm, 739 Hintz Road
Thomas Manke, 118 South Washington Street
Andy Kenney, 1470 West King Street
Thomas Dwyer, treasurer of St. Paul Catholic Church
Rob McGraw, 1110 Mary Street
Jane Crawford, 701 Wiltshire Drive
Lynn Riley, 5692 Juddville Road, Corunna

Specific topics of comment included: concern for the children and other users of St. Paul facilities, concerns regarding crime associated with marijuana businesses, potential illegal activities taking place at the facility, establishing zoning policies to prohibit a medical marijuana related facility within 1000' of a school or church, closing the facility down, and why a moratorium on medical marijuana related facilities was not enacted.

Burton Fox, Planning Commission Chairman, detailed the process the medical marijuana issue has taken over the course of the last year. He went on to say he felt the current establishment could be moved.

The 30-minute time limit was reached.

Motion by Councilperson Eveleth to extend the time period for citizen comments by 12 minutes to accommodate the three people that expressed an interest in commenting.

Motion supported by Councilperson Erfourth.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilperson Forster, Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch, Councilpersons Erfourth, Martenis, Cook, and Eveleth.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Mayor Frederick.

The following people commented in opposition to the medical marijuana facility across the street from St. Paul School:

Joe Nowacki, 710 Ament Street
Rob Harden, 8900 Walker Road, Ovid

Marsha Ladd, Parks & Recreation Commission Chairwoman, asked Council to remember parks projects that are already in progress when considering budget funding.

There was discussion regarding the "1000' rule", whether federal law supersedes state law, why Council did not enact a moratorium, why it has taken so long to address this issue, the effectiveness of a moratorium given the City does not license businesses, complaints surrounding such facilities, and ways of regulating medical marijuana facilities. It was noted the County Prosecutor had declared the "1000' rule" not applicable to medical marijuana facilities. City Attorney Brown expressed a desire to speak with the County Prosecutor regarding his opinion to determine whether he felt state law superseded federal law in this case.

Motion by Councilperson Cook to instruct the City Attorney to contact the County Prosecutor for further information regarding his opinion on the "1000' rule".

Motion supported by Councilperson Erfourth.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Forster, Eveleth, Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch Councilpersons Martenis, Cook, and Erfourth.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Mayor Frederick.

The meeting recessed briefly from 8:56 p.m. until 9:02 p.m.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Donald D. Crawford detailed an insurance scam that has been circulating in the area saying the coverage was not worth the premiums.

He went on to discuss the Governor's recent mandates and how they might affect the City. He noted it is still difficult to spell out just how the mandates will affect things he felt the City will not receive as much state shared revenue as they have in the past even if they comply with all of the new regulations put forth by the Governor.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Councilperson Eveleth to approve the Consent Agenda as follows:

Curwood Festival Permission. Approve application of the Curwood Festival for use of City streets and parking lots from June 1, 2011 through midnight June 5, 2011 and authorize Traffic Control Order No. 1249.

Program Guidelines Amendment. Authorize an amendment to the Program Guidelines for the Downtown Neighborhoods Program to reflect a change in the loan terms for homeowners as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 45-2011

AMENDING PROGRAM GUIDELINES IN SUPPORT OF THE MSHDA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT HOUSING PROGRAM (MSC-2009-0037-HO) FOR THE CITY OF OWOSSO

WHEREAS, the city of Owosso applied for and has been awarded a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) MSC-2009-0037-HO) to be used as funding for a targeted homeowner rehabilitation program in the downtown neighborhood target area; and

WHEREAS, to receive and administer the grant the city of Owosso, on September 7, 2010, adopted and agreed to comply with the *Program Guidelines in Support of the MSHDA Community Development Block Grant Housing Program (MSC-2009-0037-HO) for the City of Owosso*; and

WHEREAS, since that time the City has received information from MSHDA that a better opportunity can be offered to homeowners that would allow 50% of their loan to be forgiven after 5 years; and

WHEREAS, in order to take advantage of this opportunity a change must be incorporated into the aforementioned *Program Guidelines*.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OWOSSO, SHIAWASSEE COUNTY, MICHIGAN THAT:

- FIRST: The attached amendment to Section 16 of the *Program Guidelines in Support of the MSHDA Community Development Block Grant Housing Program (MSC-2009-0037-HO)* for the City of Owosso is adopted.
- SECOND: The city clerk, program administrator and any other city official be authorized to execute any documents necessary to certify the amendment.

Bid Award. Approve the low bid of Ace Asphalt & Paving Company for the 2011 Street Program in the amount of \$262,205.80, and further approve payment up to the contract amount as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 46-2011

**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR
THE 2011 STREET PAVING PROJECT
WITH ACE ASPHALT & PAVING CO.**

WHEREAS, the city of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan, has determined that the surfaces of Bradley Street from Lansing to Howell, Cass Street from M-52 to Ball St., Cedar Street from M-21 to Beehler Street, Clinton Street from M-52 to Michigan Ave., Genesee Street from M-52 to Michigan Ave., and Howell Street from Bradley St. to River St. have deteriorated and that replacement is advisable, necessary and in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, the City of Owosso sought bids for milling and asphalt resurfacing as part of the 2011 Street Paving Project; a bid was received from Ace Asphalt & Paving Co.; and it is hereby determined that Ace Asphalt & Paving Co. is qualified to provide such services and that it has submitted the lowest responsible and responsive bid;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan that:

- FIRST: The City of Owosso has heretofore determined that it is advisable, necessary and in the public interest to employ Ace Asphalt & Paving Co. for milling and asphalt resurfacing as part of the 2011 Street Paving Project.
- SECOND: The mayor and city clerk are instructed and authorized to sign the document substantially in the form attached as Exhibit A, Contract for Services Between the City of Owosso, Michigan and Ace Asphalt & Paving Co., with a \$262,205.80 bid.
- THIRD: The above expenses shall be paid from the 2010 General Obligation Unlimited Tax Bonds.

Bid Award. Approve the low bid of Sumbera Excavating, Inc. for the 2011 Curb & Gutter Program in the amount of \$213,078.30 contingent upon the receipt of proof of insurance, and further approve payment up to the contract amount as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 47-2011

**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A CONTRACT FOR
THE 2011 CURB AND GUTTER PROJECT
WITH SUMBERA EXCAVATING**

WHEREAS, the city of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan, has determined that a portion of the curb on the streets included in the 2011 Street Program as well as the curb on various other streets in the City have become misaligned and have deteriorated and that replacement is advisable, necessary and in the public interest; and

WHEREAS, the City of Owosso sought bids for the replacement of misaligned curbs as part of the 2011 Curb and Gutter Project; a bid was received from Sumbera Excavating; and it is hereby determined that Sumbera Excavating is qualified to provide such services and that it has submitted the lowest responsible and responsive bid;

- FIRST: The City of Owosso has heretofore determined that it is advisable, necessary and in the public interest to employ Sumbera Excavating for the replacement of misaligned curbs as part of the 2011 Curb and Gutter Project.
- SECOND: The mayor and city clerk are instructed and authorized to sign the document substantially in the form attached as Exhibit A, Contract for Services Between the City of Owosso, Michigan and Sumbera Excavating, with a \$213,078.30 bid.
- THIRD: The above expenses shall be paid from the 2010 General Obligation Unlimited Tax Bonds.

MDOT Contract. Approve contract with the Michigan Department of Transportation for the reconstruction of Oliver Street from Shiawassee Street to Washington Street and Stewart Street from Chipman Street to Cedar Street as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 48-2011

**AUTHORIZING A CONTRACT WITH
THE MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
FOR THE RECONSTRUCTION OF OLIVER STREET AND STEWART STREET**

WHEREAS, On February 7, 2011, The Owosso City Council approved the reconstruction of Stewart Street from Chipman Street to Cedar Street and Oliver Street from M-52 to Washington Street; and

WHEREAS, The City of Owosso has been given a Small Cities Grant in the amount of \$299,000 from the Federal Highway Administration to reduce the local cost of these projects; and

WHEREAS, The Michigan Department of Transportation administers this grant and has developed a standard agreement to define the rights and obligations of each party and is requesting City Council approval of this agreement, which in part reads as follows:

THIS CONTRACT, consisting of PART I and PART II (Standard Agreement Provisions), is made and entered into this date of _____, by and between the MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, hereinafter referred to as the "DEPARTMENT"; and the CITY OF OWOSSO, a Michigan municipal corporation, hereinafter referred to as the "REQUESTING PARTY"; for the purpose of fixing the rights and obligations of the parties in agreeing to the following improvements, in the City of Owosso, Michigan, hereinafter referred to as the "PROJECT" and estimated in detail on EXHIBIT "I", dated January 10, 2011, attached hereto and made a part hereof:

Hot mix asphalt resurfacing work along Oliver Street from Shiawassee Street (M-52) to Washington Street and along Stewart Street from Chipman Street to Cedar Street; including concrete curb and gutter, sidewalk ramps, earthwork, and storm sewer work; and all together with necessary related work.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, pursuant to Federal law, monies have been provided for the performance of certain improvements on Public roads; and

WHEREAS, the reference "FHWA" in PART I and PART II refers to the United States Department of Transportation, Federal Highway Administration; and

WHEREAS, the PROJECT, or portions of the PROJECT, at the request of the REQUESTING PARTY, are being programmed with the FHWA, for implementation with the use of Federal Funds under the following Federal program(s) or funding:

SURFACE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan that:

- FIRST: The city of Owosso has heretofore determined that it is advisable, necessary and in the public interest to reach a cost sharing agreement with the Michigan Department of Transportation for the reconstruction of Oliver Street from M-52 to Washington Street and Stewart Street from Chipman to Cedar Street.
- SECOND: The city council approves and the mayor and city clerk are instructed and authorized to execute for and on behalf of the city of Owosso an agreement substantially in the form of the attached exhibit, *MDOT Contract # 11-5064*.
- THIRD: Expenses related to this contract shall be paid from the Street Bond Fund and through the special assessment of effected property owners.

(Full text of the contract can be found on file in the Clerk's Office.)

Warrant No. 420. Accept Warrant No. 420 as follows:

Vendor	Description	Fund	Amount
Brown & Stewart, PC	Professional Services February 14, 2011 – March 14, 2011	General	\$9,762.96
Netarx, LLC	Network Engineering Support February 2011	General	\$6,6664.00

Check Register. Receive and approve the Check Register for February 2011.

Revenue & Expenditure Report. Accept the February 2011 Revenue & Expenditure Report.

Motion supported by Councilperson Martenis.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Forster, Eveleth, Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch Councilpersons Martenis, Erfourth, and Cook.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Mayor Frederick.

ITEMS OF BUSINESS

2011-2012 GOALS

Motion by Councilperson Martenis to approve resolution adopting goals for the City of Owosso for the 2011-2012 fiscal year as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 49-2011

ADOPTING GOALS FOR THE CITY OF OWOSSO FOR FISCAL YEAR 2011-12

WHEREAS, the city of Owosso is dedicated to working to enhance the quality of life and to create a healthy, progressive community in which to live, work and visit by providing quality services to residents and visitors alike; and

WHEREAS, the city council each year reviews and establishes goals to ensure the city continues to move forward; and

WHEREAS, the goals are intended to be dynamic, represent a general consensus of the city council, and provide direction to city staff.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the city council of the city of Owosso, Shiawassee County, Michigan that:

FIRST: The city council of the city of Owosso does hereby adopt the attached list of goals for the city for the fiscal year 2011-12;

SECOND: That these goals be displayed upon the city's website.

CITY OF OWOSSO 2011-2012 CITY COUNCIL GOALS

Owosso is an attractive, vibrant and historic community. Our city provides a strong sense of community and quality of life for residents, employees and visitors. In a world of change, Owosso provides a rare sense of place while meeting the needs and expectations of the 21st century.

The City Council Goals articulate key policy and service priorities for Owosso. Council goals guide the allocation of resources through the budget and capital improvement programs to assure that organizational work plans and projects are developed in a manner that achieves the stated goals. The City's ability to make progress toward these achievements is based on the availability of resources. Implicit in the allocation of resources is the need to balance levels of taxation and community impacts with service demands and the achievement of goals.

In addition to the Council goal statements, there are operational values that guide how the city organization works toward goal achievement:

Regional Partnerships – Owosso encourages and participates in regional approaches to service delivery to the extent that a regional model produces efficiencies and cost savings, improves customer service and furthers Owosso's interests beyond municipal boundaries.

Efficiency – Owosso is committed to providing public services in the most efficient manner possible and maximizing the public's return on their investment. We believe that a culture of continuous improvement is fundamental to our responsibility as good stewards of public funds.

Accountability – The City of Owosso is accountable to the community for the achievement of goals. Meaningful performance measures will be developed for each goal area to track progress toward the stated goals. Performance measures will focus on outcomes.

Community – The City of Owosso is one community composed of multiple neighborhoods. Achievement of City Council goals will be respectful of neighborhood identity while supporting the needs and values of the community.

The City Council Goals are dynamic - Goals should be reviewed on an annual basis and updated or amended as needed to reflect citizen input and changes in the external environment and community demographics.

GOALS

PUBLIC SERVICES - *Fiscal Soundness and predictable revenues are required to provide quality services and maintain infrastructure.*

Public Safety & Public Services: Realize monetary savings by better utilizing resources, working collaboratively with other entities, and incorporating the best practices of high performing organizations.

Wastewater Utilities: Adopt plan for upgrades to wastewater treatment plant.

Revenue: Review taxes, licenses, and service fees and make changes where appropriate.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT - *Provide leadership and effective policies to encourage the diversification and continued growth of our local economy. We will actively collaborate with our community partners to produce economic benefit to all citizens.*

Master Plan: Adopt a Master Plan that provides for a high quality of life and promotes growth of the community.

Wayfinding: Replace city entry signs and create a unified, comprehensive set of directional signs to city attractions.

Business Growth: Review city policies and programs and identify opportunities to support entrepreneurial activities.

NEIGHBORHOODS & HOUSING - *Promote comprehensive neighborhood planning and active housing programs to ensure vibrant housing markets, a diversity of housing opportunities, and safe and healthy residential environments.*

Streets: Review selection process and priorities for street improvements; look for new grants and revenue sources.

Housing Program: Improve the quality of existing dwelling through use of incentive and assistance programs.

PARKS, RECREATION & CULTURE - *Promote and maintain a high quality of life by providing diverse opportunities for recreation, entertainment, and physical health. Establish public/private partnerships to develop key facilities for residents and visitors of all ages and abilities.*

Regional Cooperation: Investigate options for creation of a regional park authority.

Bike City: Make Owosso a center for bicycle activity with new bike trails and other actions to promote biking in the community.

DOWNTOWN - *Create a sense of place in our community that attracts visitors, new residents, and additional investment to the center of Owosso.*

Building Renovation: Work with property owners to encourage the rehabilitation and development of buildings in the downtown historic district.

GREEN OWOSSO - *Promote a sustainable community, conserve natural resources and enhance the Shiawassee River and other natural assets.*

River Beautification: Work with community groups and neighboring communities to enhance the appearance and health of the Shiawassee River.

Energy Conservation: Develop an energy efficiency plan to for the city's infrastructure to reduce overall energy usage.

COMMUNICATIONS & MARKETING - *Utilizing a variety of media and technology, strive to market our services, communicate our mission and values, and engage citizens in the decisions of city government.*

Public Access TV: Work to obtain a fiber optics connection to the broadcast facility.

Website: Re-design city website to reflect the city's vision and goals.

Motion supported by Councilperson Eveleth.

Roll Call Vote.

AYES: Councilpersons Forster, Martenis, Eveleth, Cook, Erfourth, and Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch.

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Mayor Frederick.

COMMUNICATIONS

Gary Palmer, Building Official. February 2011 Building Department Report.
Gary Palmer, Building Official. February 2011 Code Violations Report.
Michael T. Compeau, Public Safety Director. February 2011 Police Department Report.
Michael T. Compeau, Public Safety Director. February 2011 Fire Department Report.
Downtown Development Authority/Main Street Board. Minutes of Meeting of February 9, 2011.
Owosso Planning Commission. Minutes of Meeting of February 28, 2011.
Owosso Historical Commission. Minutes of the Meeting of March 15, 2011.
Westown Corridor Improvement Authority. Minutes of the Meeting of March 9, 2011.
Shiawassee Area Transportation Agency. Minutes of the Meeting of October 12, 2010.
Shiawassee Area Transportation Agency. Minutes of the Meeting of November 9, 2010.
Shiawassee Area Transportation Agency. Minutes of the Meeting of January 11, 2011.

CITIZEN COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch congratulated Councilperson Erfourth on the recent birth of his son and Mayor Frederick on the birth of his daughter earlier in the day.

The following people commented in opposition to the medical marijuana facility located at 727 West Main Street:

Father John Fain, St. Paul's Catholic Church
Andy Kenney, 1470 West King Street
Genevieve Marnon, 289 East Bennington Road
Louise Hemond-Wilson, 500 East Oliver Street
Leo Benkert, 4860 Orchard Lane
Doug Edward, 189 Sylvia Drive, Corunna
Russell Beaudoin, 507 Rubelman Drive
Lisa Stechschulte, 725 River Street

Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch noted that while the medical marijuana issue seems simple on its face it is complex and complicated further by the lack of direction by the State.

Councilperson Erfourth encouraged everyone to come back for future meetings.

Councilperson Cook and Mayor Pro-Tem Popovitch announced they will not be present for the April 4th meeting.

NEXT MEETING

April 4, 2011

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS OPENINGS

Cable Access Advisory Commission, term expires 06-30-2011

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Councilperson Eveleth for adjournment at 10:02 p.m.

Motion supported by Councilperson Erfourth and concurred in by unanimous vote.

Benjamin R. Frederick, Mayor

Amy K. Kirkland, City Clerk