



MINUTES

Special Committee on General Services

Monday August 6, 2018 @ 4:15 p.m.

City Council Conference Room, City Hall 10th Floor

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting called to order at 4:15 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Council Member Patricia Spitzley, Chair

Council Member Adam Hussain, Vice Chair- excused

Council Member Carol Wood, Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Sherrie Boak, Council Office Manager

Eric Brewer, Council Internal Auditor

Lisa Hagen, Assistant City Attorney

Kathy Miles

Elaine Womboldt

Public Comment on Agenda Items

No public comment at this time.

Approval of Minutes

Action on the minutes moved to the next meeting.

Discussion/Action:

RESOLUTION – Claim Appeal #1574; Anneli and Thang Mung for trash violation fees at 1939 Cumberland Road; \$1374.00

Council Member Spitzley stated the claimants were at the previous Committee meeting (July 24) and stated that they had spoken to Public Service for guidance on the limbs at the side of the street that were not picked up. Since that meeting the department responded in email to Council staff confirming the process with the property, therefore the Committee chose to have this special meeting to discuss reconsideration. The email was reviewed which stated someone contact the department on April 9, 2018 for guidance which confirms what the claimants stated on July 24th. The communication from Public Service shows their log as “missed yard waste – sticks bundled” and the City was sent back out there to pick them up.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO RECONSIDER THE CLAIM #1574 FOR 1939 CUMBERLAND.

Ms. Miles asked if the City staff checked their log for when the owners stated they called in. Council Member Spitzley confirmed they claimants did call in per the documentation the Committee now has from Public Service and recycling. Mr. Brewer confirmed the Claims Review Committee received the same explanation from the claimants that the Committee did on July 24th.

MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Council Member Wood recapped the vote on July 24, 2018 and began the discussion on if the Committee wanted to grant the whole claim at this point based on the information from the Department. Mr. Brewer added that the admin fee is \$265, and if the claims review committee would have the information they would have granted it in full.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO WITHDRAW THE COMMITTEE ACTION FROM JULY 24TH WHICH ADJUSTED THE CLAIM FROM \$802 AND DENIED THE NEW CLAIM AMOUNT OF \$572. AND NOW GRANT THE CLAIM IN FULL FOR 1939 CUMBERLAND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,374.00.

Ms. Womboldt asked if the motion would now grant the claim in full and she was opposed to that. Council Member Wood confirmed it was to grant it in full. Council Member Spitzley noted that at the last meeting there was a question if they had done everything they were supposed to do and if public service had left a tag noting the items were uncorrected bundled. Council Member Wood recited the dates of the violation of 4/2/2018, comply by 4/9/2018 and that is the date they called the Public Service for direction. They were told what to do, were told it was missed by the City on their pick up and would pick it up. When the materials were picked up the owners believed it was the City not the Code compliance contractor.

MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Adjourned

Adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Submitted by Sherrie Boak,

Office Manager, Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on August 28, 2018