The meeting was called to order by Mayor Blease at 7:00 PM. Council Member Cate gave the invocation. Mayor Blease led those present in the pledge of allegiance.


Also present: City Manager Bessinger, City Clerk Wagenmaker, and 13 citizens.

22-064 Moved by Council Member Carlson, seconded by Council Member Sias, to approve the April 18, 2022, City Council meeting minutes as printed. The motion passed unanimously.

22-065 Moved by Council Member Montgomery, seconded by Council Member Carlson, to adopt Ordinance No. 321, an ordinance to amend City Code, Chapter 154 Zoning, to amend Article 3, General Provisions, Sections 3.190 b), c), d), and e) to reorganize paragraphs and allow for additional front yard recreational vehicle placement exceptions. Roll call vote: 5 yeas, 2 nays (Cate and Murdoch), motion passed.

22-066 Moved by Council Member Carlson, seconded by Council Member Sias, to adopt Ordinance No. 322, an ordinance to amend City Code, Chapter 154 Zoning, an amendment to Article 2, Definitions, Section 2.20 to add the definitions of flag, permanent flagpole, and temporary flagpole; an amendment to Article 3, General Provisions, Section 3.130 to regulate flag and flagpole placement, size, and number; and an amendment to Article 7, Signs, Sections 7.20 and 7.30 to strike references to flags within signage regulations. Roll call vote: 4 yeas, 3 nays (Montgomery, O’Donnell, and Murdoch), motion passed.

22-067 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Carlson, to reject all proposals to construct 288 lineal feet of seawall at Wm. Ferry Park. The motion passed unanimously.

22-068 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Cate, to place on the June 6 City Council agenda, consideration to adopt a proposed resolution regarding to continue to lease a portion of the premises at 17520 Ridge Avenue to Walden Green Montessori, which resolution shall remain on file with the City Clerk for not less than 15 days prior to consideration by the City Council and that a summary of the minutes of the May 2, 2022, meeting of the City Council be published in the Grand Haven Tribune. The motion passed unanimously.

22-069 Moved by Council Member O’Donnell, seconded by Council Member Sias, to adopt a resolution approving MDOT contract No. 22-5144 between MDOT and the City regarding a $628,160 grant for the Dogwood Drive Project, and to authorize the Mayor and City Clerk to sign the contract. The motion passed unanimously.
22-070 Moved by Council Member Montgomery, seconded by Council Member Carlson, to deny the expenditure of Mayor Pro Tem O’Donnell to attend the Change of Command for the Coast Guard Commandant. Roll call vote: 3 yeas (Montgomery, Cate, and Murdoch), 4 nays, motion failed.

22-071 Moved by Council Member Murdoch, seconded by Council Member Carlson, to approve the expenditure of Mayor Pro Tem O’Donnell to attend the Change of Command for the Coast Guard Commandant with an $1,100 budget. Roll call vote: 6 yeas (O’Donnell abstained), motion passed.

22-072 Scheduled a work session as a regular agenda item on May 16.

The City Manager, the City Council Members, and the Mayor reported on several current items.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

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Scott Blease        Jessie Wagenmaker
Mayor               City Clerk