

Roll Call

The City Commission met as a Committee of the Whole on Wednesday, May 26, 2010 at 7:30 a.m. in the Community Room at City Hall, 241 W. South Street.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Mayor Bobby Hopewell
David Anderson
Don Cooney
Barbara Miller

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Vice Mayor Hannah McKinney
Stephanie Bell
Terry Kuseske

Also present were City Manager Ken Collard, City Attorney Clyde Robinson, and City Clerk Scott Borling.

Commissioners Excused

Commissioner Miller, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, moved to excuse the absences of Vice Mayor McKinney and Commissioners Bell and Kuseske. With a voice vote, the motion passed.

Communications

City Manager Collard invited citizens to attend meetings of various City advisory boards and commissions.

Presentations on the Emergency Medical Services System in Kalamazoo County

Dr. William Fales of Kalamazoo County Emergency Medical Services, delivered a PowerPoint presentation entitled *The State of EMS in our Community*. This presentation provided an overview of the EMS system in the City of Kalamazoo and Southwest Michigan.

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Public Safety Chief Jeff Hadley described the training provided for Public Safety Officers (PSO's) in their role as Emergency Medical Responders (EMR's). Chief Hadley reported PSO's responded to 5600 calls for medical service in 2009.

*At 8:00 a.m. City Manager Collard left the meeting, and Jerri Barnett-Moore joined the meeting.

Brian Scribner and Tony Sorensen of Life EMS delivered a PowerPoint presentation on Life EMS. This presentation reviewed the history of Life EMS and EMS in the City of Kalamazoo. In addition, the presentation provided an overview of operations at Life EMS and a detailed look at how calls for service were processed.

Dr. Fales delivered a PowerPoint presentation entitled *Quality Improvement and Innovations in Kalamazoo County EMS*.

In response to a question from Commissioner Anderson, Mr. Sorensen stated Life EMS had redundant technology systems and working plans to relocate operations to temporary and semi-permanent locations in the event of an emergency.

When given an opportunity to offer comments, the following citizens addressed the City Commission:

Kimberly Middleton, non-resident, discussed the summer programs Life EMS offered for young people and distributed flyers for Camp 911.

Finally, an opportunity was given for miscellaneous comments from City Commissioners.

Commissioner Anderson thanked Dr. Fales and Life EMS for their presentations.

Mayor Hopewell noted Life EMS was one of the jewels of the community.

Commissioner Miller asked the Commission to support amendment to KMGA constitution that would eliminate free golf memberships for board members.

Commissioner Cooney stated he did not think the City should spend money on a dog park when there were so many critical needs in the community.

The meeting adjourned at 8:52 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott A. Borling
City Clerk

For City Commission approval on August 2, 2010

Approved by: _____
Bobby J. Hopewell, Mayor
Dated: August 2, 2010

Citizen Comments

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Adjournment